

Sequence

- **Sequence** is the order in which things happen. Sequence can also mean the steps we follow to do something.
- Look for clue words that signal sequence, such as *first*, *next*, *then*, and *last*.
- Pay attention to dates and times the author gives you.
- Some events can happen simultaneously, or at the same time.

Directions Read the passage. Then complete the diagram.

Frannie's great-great-grandmother Harriet fought for women's rights. When Harriet was twenty-two years old, she started a women's organization. As president, Harriet spoke at many conventions and rallies. She told women

to stand up for themselves. Later, Harriet went back to college and studied political science. Finally, in 1950, she decided to run for representative in her state. Harriet lost by a few votes. But that doesn't matter to Frannie. Harriet is a hero in her eyes.

Possible answers given for 4, 5.

1. Harriet started **an organization for women.**

2. Harriet spoke **at conventions and rallies.**

3. Harriet went **back to college to study political science.**

4. **Harriet ran for representative but lost.**

5. Is the sequence of events important to your understanding of this passage?

Yes, because the events explain why Harriet ran for representative.



Home Activity Your child used a graphic organizer to identify the sequence of events in a passage. Have your child create a time line of the important moments in your life.