

Sequence Repair Answer Key

Sequence Steps (in passage order):

1. Milo decided to make a model lighthouse.
2. He painted an oatmeal container red.
3. He glued a plastic cup on top.
4. He turned on the battery light.
5. He carried the lighthouse to school.

Is there a gap? Yes.

Where is the gap? The passage never shows Milo putting the battery light inside the lighthouse before finishing it.

Missing Step: Milo needs to place the light inside the lighthouse structure **before** taking it to school.

Why this step is needed: Turning on the light without placing it inside means the lighthouse model would not be complete or functional.

Teacher's Guide

- Begin by reviewing what a **logical sequence** is and why missing steps can confuse the reader.
- Provide sentence strips of each step so students can physically reorder and inspect the sequence for gaps.
- For support, highlight verbs in the passage and ask students which actions lead to completed results.
- For advanced learners, have them write a short procedural paragraph that intentionally includes a hidden gap and swap with a partner to find it.
- Increase engagement by having students illustrate the missing step after identifying it.
- Extension idea: connect this to STEM by having students write and analyze sequences for building simple classroom models or science demonstrations.