

BED BATH - WASHING A BEDRIDDEN PATIENT BY USING WATER AND COMMON SOAP

Expressing sequence

Structures	Examples
<p>- to introduce the first of two actions: before +noun/ -ing verb/ clause once +clause at first +clause</p>	<p>! Before starting the patient's bath the nurse has to bring in all the equipment she needs. ! Before she starts the patient's bath, the nurse has to bring in all the equipment she needs. The nurse starts the patient's bath but at first, she has to bring in all the equipment she needs. Once she has brought in all the equipment she needs to the patient's bedside, the nurse starts the patient's bath.</p>
<p>- to introduce the second of two actions: after +-ing verb/ noun/ clause next, then, afterwards, after that+clause</p>	<p>After checking the water temperature we can begin the bath. After we check the water temperature we can begin the bath. We check the water temperature. Then we can begin the bath.</p>
<p>- to introduce a series of actions: firstly, secondly, thirdly, fourthly, etc., finally</p>	<p>In order to prepare the patient's bath the nurse has to carry out a series of actions: firstly, she the nurse examines the patient's medical record; secondly, validates the timetable prescribed for hygienic care. Thirdly, she checks for any contraindications to bedbath and soap or any other hygiene products. Finally she, she washes her hands or puts on clean medical gloves and brings all the supplies she needs to the patient's bedside. Finally, she checks for the presence of any catheters or other devices that may complicate a bed bath.</p>
<p>-to express simultaneous actions: while</p>	<p>While the nurse is preparing the bath water the patient is taking off his clothes.</p>