



Poster Setup Problem

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Victor kneels beside a poster spread flat on the floor. His class uses the poster to plan the first warm-up jobs. A helper left a message beside tape, cards, and a glue stick. The message says to add the blue cards, but not where. Four blank spaces sit in a row like parking spots. Victor needs one clear detail before anything gets stuck down.

Name the missing step in Victor's process.

1. Read the message and look at the poster.
2. Put the blue cards in the correct blank spaces.
3. Stick the blue cards down neatly.

Answer: Ask which blank spaces should hold the blue cards. (goes after step 1)

Think about it: What would go wrong if Victor stuck the cards down before checking the blank spaces?

TEACHER NOTE

The missing step is to ask which blank spaces should hold the blue cards. The message leaves out the needed location, so Victor should not stick anything down yet. A strong response names asking for the missing placement detail before taping or gluing.

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