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  - **1.** I can dress-up in lots of different clothing e.g. large clothes/shoes, pull-on clothes/shoes.
- I can use my fingers to practice using different fasteners e.g. zips, large buttons with large button holes, Velcro fastenings, elasticated bands etc.
- 3. I can unzip/unbutton my coat and take off unfastened shoes/boots by myself.
- I can push arms down sleeves of a coat with help. I can push my feet into unfastened shoes/boots. I need to be given lots of time to try these things.

5. I can fasten the zip on a coat up when you start it. If my coats has fasteners like buttons or press-studs I may still need some help. I can fasten simple shoes/boots. Shoes/boots with Velcro or pull-on shoes are easier for me to fasten.

#### 6. I can put on my own coat and shoes \*

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  - I can sit at a child sized table and chair. If my feet are flat on the floor or on a box I feel more supported and can use my arms and hands more freely.
- I can hold a spoon to scoop up my food and can put it into my mouth to feed myself.

3. I can pour my own drink from a jug but if the jug is too big or too full I may sometimes spill my drink. Did you know it is easier for me to pour a drink standing up!

- 4. I can hold an open cup with both hands and am learning to hold a cup in one hand. I am able to drink from my cup and am trying my hardest not to spill my drink.
- 5. I can stab food with a fork and am starting to 'chop' or 'saw' with a knife. I will still need help and support with cutting harder foods like meat. I may also still make a lot of mess when eating.

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