


COHERENCE TEST

Use the Coherence grid (Table 6.2) to explore how the core values are expressed concretely in each aspect of the funeral.

Pencil your keywords in the top row and compare them with the different aspects of your preparation for the ceremony. Do the elements express the values of the deceased? Have you covered a number of the different facets of her or his life? Is the content of the ceremony balanced?

TABLE 6.2. COHERENCE GRID

	Deceased's values (keywords across)				
Death announcement					
Date/time of ceremony					
Ceremony/reception venue					
Choice of presider, participants					
Homage*					
Tributes* 1, 2, etc.					
Gestures*					
Music*					
Materials used (<i>tables, chairs, serving, decorations</i>)					
Disposal of body					
Final resting place					
Cost					
<i>Other</i>					

* see appropriate tool