



## Learning Objective

Today, we will identify causes and effects in text.

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- What are we going to identify today? Today, we will identify \_\_\_\_\_.
- What are we going to do today?

### Activate Prior Knowledge



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- Describe to your partner what just happened. "The teacher \_\_\_\_\_"
- Tell your partner why the pencil dropped. "The pencil dropped because \_\_\_\_\_.

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### **Concept Development**

- The cause is the <u>reason</u> something happens.
  The effect is the event that happens as a <u>result</u> of the cause.
- Signal words and phrases can be used to identify cause and effect sentences
  - So, since, therefore, because, cause, effect and as a result of

CFU:

- What is cause? The cause is \_\_\_\_\_\_
- What is effect? The event that happens \_\_\_\_\_\_
- What is the difference between the cause and effect?
- What is another word for cause? For effect?
- Write 2 signal words on your whiteboards.

### **Examples and Non Examples**

The **cause** is the <u>reason</u> something happens. The **effect** is the event that happens as a <u>result</u> of the cause.

Example:

Cause	Effect
I did not eat my breakfast.	My stomach hurts.
Linda smashed her finger in the door.	So, she put ice on it.

Non-Example:

I ate breakfast. Then, I put my coat on.

# IMPORTANCE

It is important to know the causes and effects of events in a text because:

- 1. It helps readers better understand a story
- 2. It helps readers relate to the characters
- 3. Sometimes authors don't give all the details, so good readers must make inferences to find the cause (or effect)
- 4. There are questions on the NeSA about Cause and Effect

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What reason is most important to you?



# SKILL DEVELOPMENT

The **cause** is the reason something happens. The **effect** is the event that happens <u>as a result of</u> the cause.

#1: Read the passage

#2: Identify an event that happened (Ask: What happened?)  $\rightarrow$  EFFECT

#3: Identify the reason that event happened? (Ask: Why did that happen?) →CAUSE

#4: Insert cause/effect into sentence frame. (Ask: Does this make sense?) \_\_\_\_\_\_ caused \_\_\_\_\_. (cause) (effect)

#5: Record cause and/or effect on graphic organizer

CFU:

How can you tell what is the cause/effect?

Which is easier for you to identify?

What question can you ask yourself to help you find the cause? Effect?

What's another word for cause? For effect?



## **Skill Development**

- The **cause** is the reason something happens.
- The **effect** is the event that happens <u>as a result of</u> the cause.

Even as a kid in Utah, Paul was wild about plants. He built a greenhouse and collected weird, insect-eating plants. Therefore, Paul studied to become a plant scientist.

Cause	Effect
Paul was wild about plants as a kid.	Therefore, Paul became a plant scientist.



### **Skill Development**

- The **cause** is the reason something happens.
- The **effect** is the event that happens <u>as a result of</u> the cause.

When he won an important science award, Paul decided to use the money to "go live with native healers to learn from them."

Cause	Effect
Paul won an important science award	he used the award money to live with native healers.



## CLOSURE

The **cause** is the reason something happens.

The **effect** is the event that happens <u>as a result of</u> the cause. Now YOU do:

One year Mr. Andrew's students helped build an outdoor classroom for the school. The students enjoyed a view of a meadow and stream while they learned.

CAUSE	EFFECT
Mr. Andrew's students built a outdoor classroom.	As a result, the students enjoyed a view of a meadow and steam while they learned.

CFU:

How do you know that is the cause/effect?

Explain the difference between cause and effect.

Create your own example of cause and effect.

What did you learn today about cause and effect?