



Cause and effect

Reading Comprehension Worksheet

Practice

A parent or tutor should read to the student and help the student to record their answers.

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**Cause and effect** are about how one thing can cause something else to happen.

The **cause** is *why* something happened.

The **effect** is *what* happened.

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Here are some examples of **cause and effect**.

Circle the most likely **cause** of each thing that happened.

effect	cause
1. Why did Gia dress in a swimsuit and sandals?	Gia was going to the movies.
	Gia was going swimming.

effect	cause
2. Why did Connie give an apple to her teacher?	Connie liked her teacher.
	Connie liked apples.

effect	cause
3. Why did Jason slip and fall on the sidewalk?	The sidewalk was icy.
	The sidewalk was hot.

effect	cause
4. Why are Luca's shoes muddy?	Luca walked in the mud puddles.
	The room was dark.

effect	cause
5. Why did Lilly put on a princess costume?	Lilly was going to the grocery store with her mom.
	Lilly was in the class play.

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6. Here is an effect: Kayla took out four plates, four glasses, four forks, four spoons, and four knives.  
 What might have been the **cause**?

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### Answer Key

1. Gia was going swimming.
2. Connie liked her teacher.
3. The sidewalk was icy.
4. Luca walked in the mud puddles.
5. Lilla was in the class play.
6. Accept and discuss any reasonable answers, such as, it is almost time for dinner.