



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 **effect** of each **cause**.

cause	effect
1. Molly asked her dad to teach her to ride her new bike. What happened because she asked her dad to teach her?	Molly's dad ran beside her, holding on to keep her steady.
	Molly asked her mom for some cookies and milk.

cause	effect
2. After a little while, Molly's dad let go of her bike. What happened because Molly's dad let go of her bike?	Molly went inside to watch television.
	Molly learned to ride her bike.

cause	effect
3. The eye doctor said Julie needed glasses. What happened because the eye doctor said Julie needed glasses?	Julie's teacher got new glasses.
	Julie picked out a pair of cute pink glasses.

cause	effect
4. At first, Julie wasn't sure that she liked her new glasses. What happened because Julie wasn't sure that she liked her new glasses?	Julie checked to be sure her homework was in her backpack.
	Julie put her glasses in her backpack on the first she took them to school.

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5. Here is a **cause**: Molly was happy when she saw that she had ridden her bike all by herself.  
 What might be an **effect**?

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6. Here is a **cause**: Julie's teacher noticed Julie's new glasses.  
 What might be an **effect**?

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**Answer Key**

1. Molly's dad ran beside her, holding on to keep her steady.
2. Molly learned to ride her bike.
3. Julie picked out a pair of cute pink glasses.
4. Julie put her glasses in her backpack on the first day she took them to school.
5. Accept any reasonable answers.
6. Accept any reasonable answers.