



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 Leo take off his sweatshirt?	Leo felt warm.
	Leo was hungry.

effect	cause
2. Why did Dominic wash his hands?	Dominic was looking at a picture book.
	Dominic's hands were dirty.

effect	cause
3. Why did Claire get a glass of water?	Claire was taking a nap.
	Clare was thirsty.

effect	cause
4. Why did Jordan turn on the light?	The room was cold.
	The room was dark.

effect	cause
5. Why did Patrice put on her mittens?	It was cold outside.
	It was raining outside.

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6. Here is an effect: Ruby put on her pajamas.  
What might have been the **cause**?

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## Answer Key

1. Leo felt warm.
2. Dominic's hands were dirty.
3. Claire was thirsty.
4. The room was dark.
5. It was cold outside.
6. Accept and discuss any reasonable answers, such as, it was bedtime.