

CAUSE AND EFFECT-Instructions

This worksheet can be used with upper elementary and middle school students. It focuses on identifying cause/effect given various statements. This could also be used with lower-functioning high school students.

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CAUSE AND EFFECT

Cause: the reason something happens; source; root of the problem

Effect: the result; consequence of an action; outcome

Read each sentence. Is this a cause or an effect? Circle C (cause) or E (effect).
Then write the missing cause or effect that matches each sentence.

Example: I lost my car keys. (C) E
I won't be able to drive to work.

1. The bathtub spilled over with water. C E

2. The thief was arrested. C E

3. Mary lost all her money at the casino. C E

4. They never saw their favorite dog Spot again. C E

5. Mike sprained his ankle during football practice. C E

6. Jennifer worked hard throughout high school. C E

7. He wasn't able to wake up on time for school. C E

8. They made their final payment on their dream car. C E

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