



⚡ Cause & Effect Quick Match

Grade 3

Name: _____

Read each cause. Circle the letter next to the effect that happened **BECAUSE** of it.

The **CAUSE** is what happened first. The **EFFECT** is what happened because of the cause. Read all four choices before circling.

- (1) A playful puppy found Dad's brand new running shoe in the hallway and started to chew on it. What happened **BECAUSE** of this? 🐾
- (A) Dad was very happy with his new shoes.
 - (B) The puppy decided to take a nap.
 - (C) The shoe got wet and had teeth marks all over it.
 - (D) The puppy learned to fetch a stick.
- (2) Dark clouds gathered quickly in the sky, and thunder rumbled loudly in the distance. What happened **BECAUSE** of this? ☁️
- (A) The sun shone brightly all afternoon.
 - (B) People started to bring their umbrellas inside.
 - (C) It began to rain heavily and lightning flashed.
 - (D) Birds started to sing happy songs.



(3) Lily poured a big glass of milk for her cereal, but she forgot to put the milk carton back in the refrigerator. What happened BECAUSE of this? 🥛

- (A) The milk stayed cold and fresh all day.
- (B) The milk became warm and spoiled quickly.
- (C) Her cereal tasted much better.
- (D) The refrigerator started to make a loud noise.

(4) During recess, Sam saw a new student sitting alone on the bench, looking a little sad. Sam decided to walk over and ask if she wanted to play. What happened BECAUSE of this? 🎒

- (A) The new student went home early. (B) Sam got in trouble for talking.
- (C) The new student smiled and joined the game.
- (D) All the other kids stopped playing.

(5) A strong gust of wind blew through the park, shaking the trees and rustling the leaves loudly. What happened BECAUSE of this? 🌳

- (A) The air became very still and quiet.
- (B) Many colorful leaves fell from the branches. (C) The sun started to set early.
- (D) Birds built new nests in the trees.



(6) On a cold winter morning, Dad accidentally left the front door wide open when he went to get the mail. What happened BECAUSE of this? 📦

(A) A friendly neighbor came to visit.

(B) The mailman delivered an extra package. (C) A bird flew into the house.

(D) The warm air quickly escaped from inside the house.

(7) Our curious cat, Mittens, jumped onto the kitchen counter to explore and accidentally knocked a glass of water to the floor. What happened BECAUSE of this? 🐱

(A) Mittens started to purr loudly.

(B) The glass broke and water spilled everywhere.

(C) The counter became very clean. (D) The dog barked at the mailman.

(8) The toaster popped up the bread, but Mom was busy talking on the phone and didn't hear it right away. What happened BECAUSE of this? 🍞

(A) The bread stayed warm and perfectly toasted.

(B) Mom decided to make pancakes instead.

(C) The toast got cold and a little hard. (D) The phone call ended quickly.

