

# Recognizing Cause and Effect

**Cause:** The reasons for an action, event, or decision.

**Effect:** What happens as a result of the cause.

## Look for Cause and Effect Key Words

as a result of	due to the fact	on account of	
so	because	thanks to	because of
owing to	the reason for	by virtue of	since
resulting in	therefore	consequently	
seeing that	whereas	due to	which means

Sometimes the **Cause** comes first in a sentence

*All of the students ride the bus to school **so** the bike racks have been removed.*

Sometimes the **Effect** comes first in a sentence

*The students were given bag lunches **because** the electricity was out in the cafeteria.*