

CAUSE AND EFFECT

Connectors in English

We use these connectors to give a **reason** or to show a **result**.



Name: _____

Date: _____



Because

Porque

I stayed at home **because** I was sick.



Since

Ya que / Como

Since it was raining, we took an umbrella.



Given that

Dado que

Given that you have finished your homework, you can watch TV.



Therefore

Por lo tanto

It was very late; **therefore**, we went to bed.



A Match the connectors with their meanings.

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| 1. Because | • • | a. Por lo tanto |
| 2. Since | • • | b. Dado que |
| 3. Given that | • • | c. Porque |
| 4. Therefore | • • | d. Ya que / Como |

B Complete the sentences.

Word Bank:

because since given that therefore

- I stayed at home _____ I was sick.
- _____ it was raining, we took an umbrella.
- _____ you have finished your homework, you can watch TV.
- It was very late; _____, we went to bed.

C Choose the correct answer.

- She was tired, _____ she went to sleep early.
A. Because B. Therefore C. Since
- We stayed inside _____ it was cold.
A. Because B. Therefore C. Given that
- _____ he is your friend, you should help him.
A. Therefore B. Given that C. Because
- _____ it was Sunday, the school was closed.
A. Since B. Therefore C. Because

D True or False.

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| 1 "Because" means "porque". | T | F |
| 2 "Therefore" expresses a consequence. | T | F |
| 3 "Given that" means "por lo tanto". | T | F |
| 4 "Since" can mean "ya que". | T | F |
| 5 "Therefore" introduces a reason. | T | F |

E Write your own sentences.

Write one original sentence for each connector.

- Because: _____
- Since: _____
- Given that: _____
- Therefore: _____

Remember:

- Because, Since, Given that → reason
- Therefore → result or consequence