

Reading Exam

Read the story and write 1 cause and 1 effect of this story

Today was the day of my big dance performance! I had been practicing for weeks and I had the whole dance memorized. When I got to the performance hall, I put on my new shoes and hat. I checked my reflection in the mirror. "I look good!" I thought with a grin. It was almost my turn to perform, so I peeked out from behind the curtain. There were so many people in the audience! I began to feel a little nervous. But then I saw my parents smiling in the front row. "I can do this!" I thought to myself. When the curtain opened and the music started, I felt my confidence grow as I remembered all the steps I had practiced. First, I heard the beat get fast, so I did a quick spin and tipped my hat. When the beat slowed down, I did a shuffle and twist. I was almost finished dancing, when suddenly, I saw that there was a loose board at the front of the stage. But it was too late, I tripped over it and almost fell off stage! I caught myself just in time and jumped backward, pretending like it was just part of my dance. The music ended and I bowed. Everyone in the audience jumped to their feet and clapped. My parents were cheering loudest of all. I was so happy that I did a little jig and smiled before walking off stage. After the performance was over, my coach gave me a pat on the back and said, "Nice job, Marcus!" My parents were so proud of me, they took me to get ice cream!



Cause	effect

Cause and Effect

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Write what happened (effect) and why it happened (cause).

Cause why it happened	Effect what happened

Cause and Effect

Draw a line to match the effect on the left with the cause on the right.

Equoida's mom
took her to the
beach.



Mom ran to give
him a bottle of
milk.

Someone came to
the door.



He fell and
scraped his knee.

The boy tripped
on a rock.



She played in the
sand.

Baby Dylan
started to cry.



She went to the
doctor.

Grandma wasn't
feeling well.



The dog began to
bark.

Effect:
The dog was tired.



Cause:

- a. He played too much.
- b. He slept all day.

Effect:
I failed my Math exam.



Cause:

- a. I went to church.
- b. I did not study.

Effect:
Sammy tore his pants.



Cause:

- a. He jumped on the fence.
- b. He sat inside .

Effect:
There is a rainbow in the sky.



Cause:

- a. It rained.
- b. It snowed.

Effect:
Max found treasure.



Cause:

- a. I used a map.
- b. I wrote a letter.

Effect:
We had cake and ice cream.



Cause:

- a. It was Christmas.
- b. There was a birthday party.