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*So / Because (of)* to show cause and effect

**A** Complete the conversations with *so, because, or because of*.

1. A: Did you end up working late last night?  
B: Yeah. We stayed until 8:00, \_\_\_\_\_ we could finish.
2. A: We couldn't leave on time \_\_\_\_\_ the storm.  
B: Oh, no. How long were you delayed?
3. A: Can you give me your credit card, \_\_\_\_\_ I can buy gas?  
B: Sure. Here you go.
4. A: \_\_\_\_\_ our dogs, we decided not to stay the night.  
B: I understand. It's hard being away from your pets.
5. A: \_\_\_\_\_ the show is at 5:00 P.M., we won't have time to eat dinner before it starts.  
B: Hmm. OK. Well, let's eat a snack now and then go somewhere after the show.
6. A: Where are Lena and Rina?  
B: They left \_\_\_\_\_ you weren't here on time. We'll have to reschedule.
7. A: The flight is really long, \_\_\_\_\_ you should bring a book or download some movies on your tablet.  
B: That's a good idea. I'll do both.
8. A: Why did they trade him? I thought he was their best player.  
B: They traded him \_\_\_\_\_ he was unhappy. He wanted to play in a bigger city.

**B** Match the beginnings of the sentences to their endings. Write the correct letters.

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| ___ 1. I gave up my job              | a. because I like to share my ideas with the world.        |
| ___ 2. I travelled around the world, | b. so I could pay for my studies.                          |
| ___ 3. I didn't go to university     | c. because I hated the long hours.                         |
| ___ 4. I studied Portuguese,         | d. so that I can help people.                              |
| ___ 5. I write a blog                | e. because there was nothing I wanted to study.            |
| ___ 6. I became a nurse,             | f. so I could speak to people when I got to Brazil.        |
| ___ 7. I moved to Scotland           | g. because there is a good teaching hospital in Edinburgh. |
| ___ 8. I got a part-time job,        | h. so I could learn about different people and cultures.   |