

Cause and effect

Grade 2 Comprehension Worksheet

Cause and **effect** are about how one thing can happen because of something else.

The **cause** is why something happened.

The **effect** is what happened.

Read the **effect**. Circle the best **cause**!

Effect	Cause
1. Helen's hands are cold. What could have caused this?	Helen forgot to wear her gloves.
	It was hot outside!

Effect	Cause
2. Matty woke up in the middle of the night. What could have caused this?	Matty was tired.
	Matty had a bad dream.



Effect	Cause
3. A new flower grew in Mom's pot. What could have caused this?	Mom had planted a flower seed.
	It rained today.

Effect	Cause
4. Katie ate lots of ice cream. What could have caused this?	Katie had pizza for dinner.
	Katie was still hungry after dinner.

5. Here is an **effect**: Gabe is happy.
What could have **caused** this?

6. Here is an **effect**: Ella tripped and fell.
What might have **caused** this?

Answers

1. Helen forgot to wear her gloves.
2. Matty had a bad dream.
3. Mom had planted a flower seed.
4. Katie was still hungry after dinner.
5. Accept any reasonable answer.
6. Accept any reasonable answer.