

Cause and Effect Examples

Personal Examples: Identify the signal phrase in each sentence.

- The boy missed the test at school **because** he was sick.
- **As a result of** the ice on the sidewalk, the girl fell.
- **Since** the man was speeding, he got a ticket.
- The girl didn't do her homework. Consequently, she had to miss recess.
- Janice got an A on her science test due to the fact that she studied very hard.
- It was raining, so the trip to the beach was cancelled.
- The food in the refrigerator spoiled because the electricity went out.
- Lightening hit the pine tree, which led to its falling and blocking the road.
- Susan didn't read the recipe carefully, and thus her cookies did not turn out as she had expected.

Your Personal Examples –don't forget to use a signal word or phrase!

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Scientific and Historical Examples: Identify the signal phrase in each sentence.

- Many scientists believe that the extinction of the dinosaurs occurred **as a result of** a large meteorite hitting the Earth millions of years ago.
- Tsunamis are created when tectonic plates under the ocean shift, **leading to** an underwater earthquake.
- The Stamp Act enraged the colonists, **which caused** the Revolutionary War.
- John attached a copper wire to each terminal of a battery and then to a light bulb. Due to the fact that copper is a conductor, the light bulb went on.
- The wasteful energy use of many Americans has resulted in global warming.
- When water molecules come into contact with a heat source, they begin to move very quickly, causing the water to boil.
- The Exxon Valdez oil spill dumped thousand of gallons of oil into the ocean, leading to devastating long-term effects on the seal population in Alaska.

Your Scientific and Historical Examples –don't forget to use a signal word or phrase!

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