

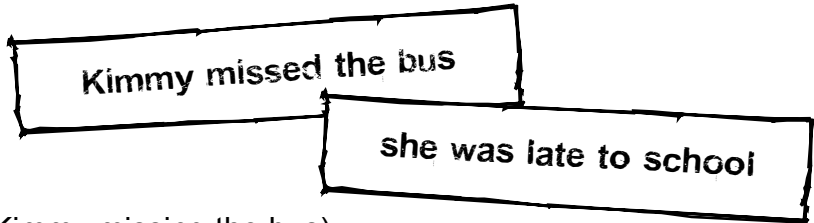
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Cause and effect

Part 1



When we see two statements like these, we make a connection.

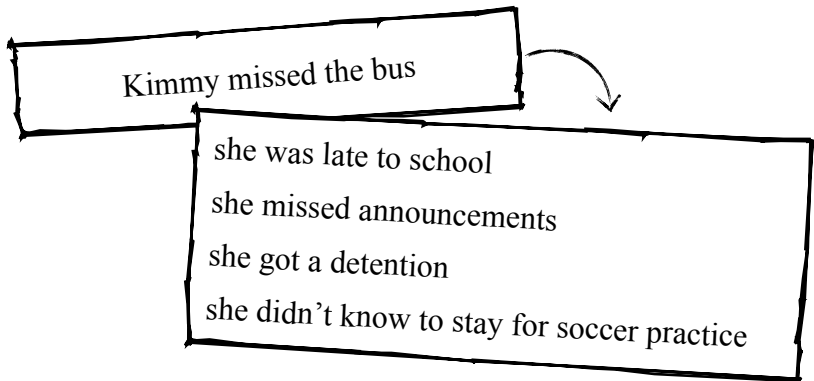


We talk about a **cause** (Kimmy missing the bus) and an **effect** (being late to school).

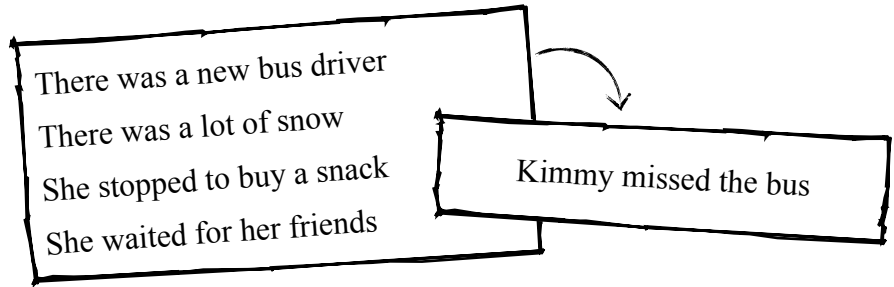
→ **Causes** are actions or situations that make other things happen.

→ **Effects** are the happenings that take place because of the cause.

Sometimes one cause can have more than one effect:



Other times several different causes can have one effect:



Match up the causes with their effects. Draw arrows to connect the cause with its effect.

CAUSES

- Eric was the hardest worker
- Six band members were out sick
- The computer crashed
- Yasmin scored the winning goal
- The puddles froze hard

EFFECTS

- people slipped and fell
- the team cheered
- he got a raise
- Derrick lost his writing homework
- the concert was cancelled

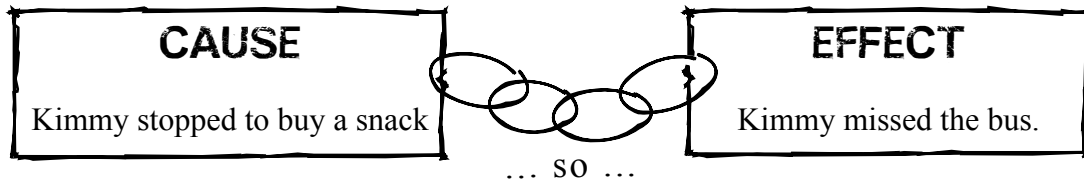
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Linking words



We use **linking words** to connect causes and effects.

For example, we can say:



Match up the causes and effects below by drawing arrows from the cause to its effect.

CAUSES

The team practiced long and hard

Everyone had colds

The mayor improved services

Jerrod stayed up very late

Sekou studied all week

EFFECTS

he was grouchy the next day

she was re-elected

they won the city championship

he got an A on the quiz

they ran out of tissues



Write a cause and effect sentence for each set using the linking word "so."

Example: *Sekou studied all week so he got an A on the quiz.*

Linking words, continued

Notice that a **comma ,** also connects the cause and the effect when you start with a linking word.

Because Sekou studied all week, he got an A on the quiz.

Match up the causes and effects below.

CAUSES

The movie was terrifying

The market raised prices

Philippe was afraid of bugs

A pen exploded in Sonia's bag

Sekou studied all week

EFFECTS

her books and papers were stained

he felt safer up in the air

customers went somewhere else

he got an A on the quiz

the audience gasped

→ Turn them into complete sentences.

Start with the linking words **because** or **since** in front of the cause (don't forget to add commas).

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