

## Cause Signal Words

<b>Coordinators</b>  <i>for</i>	Sir Isaac Newton is considered one of the greatest scientists of all time, <b>for</b> he discovered the laws of gravity and motion and invented calculus.
<b>Subordinators</b>  <i>because</i> <i>since</i> <i>as</i>	Sir Isaac Newton is considered one of the greatest scientists of all time <b>because</b> / <b>since</b> / <b>as</b> he discovered the laws of gravity and motion and invented calculus.
<b>Others</b>  to result from to be the result of  due to because of  the effect of the consequence of  as a result of as a consequence of	<p>Enrico Fermi being commonly referred to as the father of the nuclear age <b>resulted from</b> / <b>is the result of</b> him developing the very first nuclear reactor.</p> <p>Enrico Fermi is commonly referred to as the father of the nuclear age <b>due to</b> / <b>because of</b> his development of the very first nuclear reactor.</p> <p>One <b>effect of</b> / <b>consequence of</b> nuclear power being neither safe nor clean is that Germany is phasing out all of its nuclear power plants.</p> <p>Germany is phasing out all of its nuclear power plants as a <b>result of</b> / <b>as a consequence of</b> nuclear power being neither safe nor clean.</p>

**A. For each of the sentences below, underline the part that shows a cause. Draw brackets around the word or phrase that introduces the cause. Then, write down the grammar structure that follows each cause word or phrase.**

- Social media has become extremely popular [since] it allows people to stay connected with friends and family.

.....*After subordinators such as since, a clause containing a subject and verb follows.*.....

- Because of its grand history, beautiful art, and delicious food, Rome is popular with tourists.

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- The effect of high inflation is that it erodes people's purchasing power.

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- Her business has been a great success, for she has worked hard and planned well.

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**Effect Signal Words**

<b>Transition words and phrases</b>  <i>as a result</i> <i>as a consequence</i> <i>therefore</i> <i>thus</i> <i>hence</i>	Sir Isaac Newton discovered the laws of gravity and motion and invented calculus; <b>as a result</b> / <b>as a consequence</b> / <b>therefore</b> / <b>thus</b> / <b>hence</b> , he is considered one of the greatest scientists of all time.
<b>Coordinators</b>  <i>so</i>	Sir Isaac Newton discovered the laws of gravity and motion and invented calculus, <b>so</b> he is considered one of the greatest scientists of all time.
<b>Others</b>  to result in to cause  to have an effect on to affect  the cause of the reason for	<p>Enrico Fermi developing the very first nuclear reactor <b>resulted in</b> / <b>caused</b> him to be commonly referred to as the father of the nuclear age.</p> <p>The accident at the Fukushima nuclear power plant <b>had a negative effect on</b> / <b>affected</b> the atmosphere and water of the local area.</p> <p>Nuclear power being neither safe nor clean is <b>the cause of</b> / <b>the reason for</b> Germany phasing out all of its nuclear power plants.</p>

**B. For each of the sentences below, underline the part that shows an effect. Draw brackets around the word or phrase that introduces the effect. Then, write down the grammar structure that follows each effect word or phrase.**

1. The team has lost all of its games so far; thus, not many fans are going to their home games.

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2. Recent changes to the curriculum have resulted in more students passing the national exam.

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3. The city has a very healthy economy, so its population is growing at a rapid pace.

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4. The high price of fuel is the reason for more people riding the subway.

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**C. In the sentence pairs below, decide which is the cause and which is the effect. Then, combine them into a single sentence using an appropriate signal word.**

1. Apartment prices have increased. There is strong buyer demand.

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2. There was a big corruption scandal. The government was not re-elected.

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3. Cities provide people with many opportunities. Cities are growing rapidly.

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4. Many towns and villages were destroyed. There was a powerful typhoon.

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5. ABC Bakery makes the best bread and cakes in town. There is always a long queue outside.

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6. There are too many accidents on the road. Motorists do not pay attention to the traffic rules.

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**D. Choose one of the topics below and create a block structure essay outline that lists causes and effects.**

poor grades      a lack of sleep      money problems      broken relationships

Thesis statement: .....

Causes

Cause 1: .....

Explanation: .....

Cause 2: .....

Explanation: .....

Effects

Effect 1: .....

Explanation: .....

Effect 2: .....

Explanation: .....

## Cause and Effect Signal Words

**E. Now, use your outline to write an essay that discusses the causes and effects of your chosen issue. Remember to use cause and effect signal words in your essay.**

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