

Cause & Effect: *Activity 8*

Name _____

Listen as I read each situation. Then underline what happened (the effect) and circle why it happened (the cause). The first one is done for you.

1. (Jesse grew so tall over the summer) that he needed all new school clothes.
2. Karen was afraid to walk alone at night because of the recent attacks on joggers.
3. Cal decided not to wash his car because the forecast called for rain.
4. Jane didn't know what time it was because she forgot her to wear her watch to the store.
5. Andy was sick on Friday, so he missed getting his math assignment.
6. Kathryn didn't look at a map before her trip and she got lost.
7. Mr. MacIntosh took his dog, Bear, to the vet because Bear wasn't eating.
8. Madison stopped eating candy and ice cream and lost ten pounds.
9. Sean felt lonely after the death of his grandfather.
10. Leah decided to clean the inside of her car so her friends would stop making fun of her.

Problem Solving: *Activity 16*

Name _____

Like most kids your age, there are probably certain places you aren't allowed to go and certain things you aren't allowed to do. Most likely, there are reasons you have these rules. Read each item. Then write at least two reasons why you might not be allowed to go to the place or do the activity listed.

1. go to an R-rated movie

2. walk alone at night

3. go somewhere without telling your family

4. leave your home unlocked

5. chat on-line with someone you don't know

6. go boating

Opinions: *Activity 9*

Name _____

Listen to what I say. Then circle whether it is a fact or an opinion.

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| 1. Wearing baggy pants is cool. | Fact | Opinion |
| 2. Smoking is bad for your health. | Fact | Opinion |
| 3. Clowns are funny. | Fact | Opinion |
| 4. It's scary to walk outside at night without a flashlight. | Fact | Opinion |
| 5. The Olympic Games are exciting to watch. | Fact | Opinion |
| 6. Fishing should be banned. | Fact | Opinion |
| 7. All people should be vegetarians. | Fact | Opinion |
| 8. People should be allowed to take photos during concerts. | Fact | Opinion |
| 9. There are four quarts in a gallon. | Fact | Opinion |
| 10. A barometer measures air pressure. | Fact | Opinion |
| 11. A microscope makes small things look bigger. | Fact | Opinion. |
| 12. Science projects are interesting. | Fact | Opinion |

Paraphrasing: *Activity 8*

Name _____

When you paraphrase, sometimes you can change more than one word in a phrase and still keep the same meaning. Look at each bold phrase. Choose a phrase from the box that means the same thing and write it on the short line. Then write a sentence using the new phrase.

1. **roam the woods** _____

2. **gory movie** _____

3. **detest insects** _____

4. **vacant lot** _____

5. **perfect getaway** _____

6. **multiple ideas** _____

7. **famous author** _____

8. **short statement** _____

9. **latest developments** _____

10. **nasty odor** _____

scary show

most recent events

wander the forest

many thoughts

hate bugs

great escape

well-known writer

empty space

brief remark

bad scent