




# COM-22

Intervention Activities Guide (IAG)  
Blackline Masters



Comprehension | Reading Comprehension Strategies

## COM-22 Cause and Effect Relationships

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Students use a graphic organizer to learn about cause and effect relationships in literature.

**MATERIALS:** Books or selections of text, cause and effect chart, sentence strips, tape, marker

- 1 Make a cause and effect chart with two columns.
- 2 Read a text with the class.
- 3 When beginning to teach this concept, write the causes and effects on sentence strips and

ask students to decide where each strip belongs on the chart.

- 4 Start by using selections with one cause and one effect, before progressing to selections with several causes and effects.

EXAMPLE:

Cause What happened?	Effect What was the result?

**EXTENSION:** As students read, they're given a list of causes (what happened) and asked to find the effects (result of what happened). Later, they may be given a list of effects and asked to find the causes.



**PREPARATION OF MATERIALS:** Print the graphic organizer on page 2. Provide each student with books or selections of text and an organizer. Follow the activity directions.

**Cause**  
What happened?

**Effect**  
What was the result?