Cause and Effect

Cause and effect is a reading strategy that helps us find a relationship between two things.

If you are outside when it is raining, you are probably going to get wet, right? In this example, the cause is it is raining, and the effect is you get wet.

Cause: why something happened

Effect: what happened

Watch this YouTube video. It will explain cause and effect. During the video, it will ask you some questions. Write your answers on a piece of paper, or type your answers in a Google Doc.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=1&v=KuzTUbK6_yI&feature=emb_logo>

After you have watched the video, watch this short film. It is called “For the Birds.”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BPopaJsNWd4>

While you are watching, find three examples of cause and effect. Write your answers on the same paper, or type them in the same Google Doc.

Here is an example to get you started. The first cause I see is the little bird landed on the wire. What happened because the little bird landed on the wire? That is the first effect!

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Cause | Effect |
| The little bird landed on the wire. | To find the effect, ask yourself, what happened because the little bird landed on the wire? |
|  |  |
|  |  |