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The Why-and-What Lens



01 WIND GATE

REUSABLE DETECTIVE TOOL

A cause is WHY something happens. An effect is WHAT happens because of it.

CAUSE

WHY?

The wind blew.



EFFECT

WHAT?

The ribbon fluttered.

The wind made the ribbon move. That is a cause-and-effect connection.

The ribbon fluttered because the wind blew.

The wind blew, so the ribbon fluttered.

Ask two questions

What happened? The ribbon fluttered.

Why? The wind blew.

Use story clues

Find a reason in the words you read. Sometimes you must connect two sentences.

Be a careful detective

First and next show time. They do not prove that one event caused another.



DETECTIVE COACH

Ariel says: An arrow shows the connection. It does not tell us the order of words in a sentence.

Wind Gate: follow the why



01 WIND GATE

LEARN WITH ARIEL & ALICE

The cove's welcome ribbons are dancing. Ariel asks what made them move.

CAUSE

WHY?

A breeze blew through the gate.



EFFECT

WHAT?

The ribbons fluttered.

What happened? The ribbons fluttered. Why? A breeze blew through the gate. The breeze is the cause; fluttering is the effect.

Because a breeze blew, the ribbons fluttered.

The ribbons fluttered because a breeze blew.

SAY IT • POINT TO IT

What happened?

Why did it happen?

Which part explains the other?



DETECTIVE COACH

Alice says: The reason can come first OR last. I still ask why!

Find the result



01 WIND GATE

READ • THINK • EXPLAIN

The cause is given. Write WHAT happened because of it. Use the words in each sentence.

A1

A gust blew, so the paper pinwheel spun. Effect:

A2

Rain fell, so the stepping stones became wet. Effect:

A3

Ariel pulled the gate handle, so the gate opened. Effect:



DETECTIVE COACH

Ariel says: Start with what changed. Then check that the cause explains it.

Choose the useful evidence



03 GARDEN CLUES

FOLLOW THE EVIDENCE

For each question, circle A or B. Then tell how the clue supports the answer.

J1

Story: The hose leaked. Water dripped onto the path. A bird sang nearby.

Question: Why was the path wet?

A The hose leaked and water dripped.

B A bird sang nearby.

J2

Story: The gardener put a cloth over the seeds to keep birds from eating them. The cloth was blue.

Question: Why did the gardener cover the seeds?

A The cloth was blue.

B To keep birds from eating the seeds.

DETECTIVE COACH



A clue can be true and still fail to answer the question. Choose the detail that explains why.

Sample answers and next steps



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A1 The paper pinwheel spun.

A2 The stepping stones became wet.

A3 The gate opened.

J1 A. Leaking water explains the wet path.

J2 B. The text states the purpose of covering the seeds.

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