

## Lesson 5

### Cause-Effect Paragraph

**Goal:** Interpret the relationships between causes & effects.

**Objectives:**

1. Learn about the cause/effect organization pattern
2. Write a paragraph explaining the causes and effects of an environmental phenomenon

**What is a cause/effect paragraph?**

This type of paragraph is concentrated on the ability of the writer to connect the reasons why things happen and the consequences they might have. In other words, it is the connection between the causes of events and the effects these causes have on any analyzed aspect.

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**Cause and Effect Conjunctions**

Here are some common conjunctions that can be used to express cause and effect:

<b>since</b>	<b>as a result</b>	<b>because of + noun phrase</b>
<b>because</b>	<b>therefore</b>	<b>due to + noun phrase</b>
<b>so</b>	<b>consequently</b>	<b>for this reason</b>

**Pre-writing Task 1**

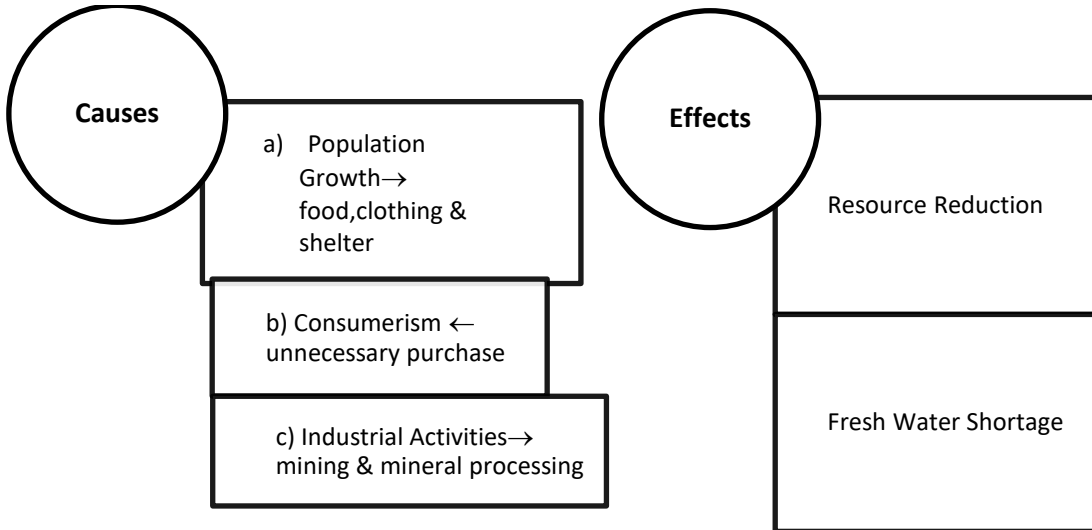
**Matching Causes and Effects**

1-Increased use of solar energy	a-Helps reduce greenhouse gas emissions
2-Government subsidies for wind energy	b-Reduces reliance on fossil fuels
3-Growing awareness of climate change	c-Makes renewable energy more affordable
4- Rising fossil fuel prices	d-Leads to a decrease in air pollution levels
5-Technological advancements in energy storage	e-Encourages the shift to renewable energy sources
6-Use of hydropower for electricity	f-Allows for consistent energy supply from renewable sources
7-Development of offshore wind farms	g-Protects natural habitats by minimizing land use
8-Transition to electric vehicles powered by renewable energy	h-Reduces carbon emissions in the transportation sector.

Once you have matched the correct causes and effects, choose one pair and write a short explanation (2-3 sentences) about how the cause leads to the effect in the context of renewable energy.

### Pre-writing Task 2

#### Clustering: Natural Resource Depletion



### Pre-writing Task 3

#### Natural Resources Depletion

Since some natural resources have been polluted and others are starting to run out, it is sensible to become environmentally aware. If we go green, the Earth's resources can last longer and consequently can meet the needs of future generations. There are several reasons for the depletion of natural resources at a quick pace. One reason for resource reduction is the increase in the world's population. World population has doubled in the last fifty years, and everybody needs food, clothing and shelter. Another reason for the scarcity of essential materials is the excessive or unnecessary use of resources. Consumerism is economically manifested in the chronic purchasing of new goods and services, with little attention to their true need, durability, product origin or the environmental consequences of manufacture and disposal. And last but not least, fresh water is a worldwide scarce resource that needs conservation. Industries, such as mining and mineral processing are polluting this vital liquid disregarding people, animals and plants that depend on it for their existence. If we don't think green, we will run short of natural resources in our lifespan, and what shall we do then? Source: Original