

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 withing the working places.

**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.

(Adapted from <http://www.custom-essays.org>)

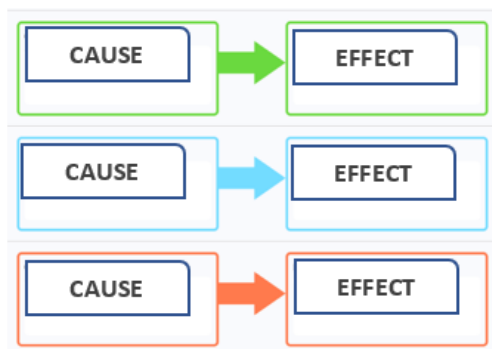
**Cause and Effect Conjunctions**

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

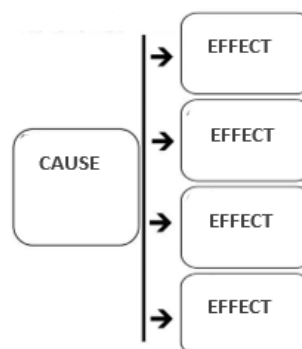
<b>since</b>	<b>as a result</b>	<b>because of + noun phrase</b>
<b>because</b>	<b>therefore</b>	<b>due to + noun phrase</b>
<b>so</b>	<b>consequently</b>	<b>for this reason</b>

**Pre-writing Task 1:**

There are different patters to organize information and express the relationship between causes and effects. Look at these graphics and after reading the text, decide which one is more appropriate for the organization of information. Complete the one you choose with the right information from the text on a separate sheet of paper.



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## Pre-writing Task 2: Read

### The leading role of cleansing in the workplace



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Lack of proper cleaning procedures in the workplace can have serious consequences for the employee health. When cleaning is not done regularly, dirt, germs, and harmful substances accumulate on surfaces and in the air. Consequently, this accumulation creates an ideal environment for bacteria and viruses increasing the risk of infections. Because of poor ventilation in an office, pollutants can be trapped and provoke respiratory diseases. As a result, companies may experience increased absenteeism, and be forced to face lawsuit and even damaged reputation. Employees exposed to these unsanitary conditions are more likely to suffer from illnesses such as colds, flu, or even more serious infections, affecting productivity. Therefore, consistent and thorough cleansing is essential to prevent health hazards and guarantee the good output of the business.

### Pre-writing Task 3:

Identify the connectors used in the paragraph.

### Pre-writing Task 4: Brainstorming & Organizing your ideas

First, think about issues to be addressed in the workplace environment. After that, organize your ideas in the blank space provided as in pre-writing task 1.

**Writing Task:** Write a paragraph using the Cause-Effect Organization Pattern studied (about 100 words).

**\*Write the assigned text on a new sheet of paper because it should be submitted.**