

## WORKSHEET - CAUSE AND EFFECT 1

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In this story, there is a reason something happens. This is the **cause**. What happens as a result is the **effect**.

1. Read the story below then match the first part of each sentence to the second part that makes it true.

#### WASTE NOT, WANT NOT

Mr. Jones called the boys, "Boys, if you have nothing to do, will you unpack these parcels for me?" The two parcels were exactly alike, both of them well tied up with good whipcord. Ben took his parcel to the table, and began to examine the knot, and then to untie it. John took the other parcel, and tried first at one corner, and then at the other, to pull off the string.

But the cord had been too well secured, and he only drew the knots tighter. He wished his parcel was not tie up so tightly – he could not undo the cord.

John wondered what was in Ben's parcel. Then he wonder what was in his. "I wish I could get the string off. I will try it," John said. Ben asked John not to cut it.

He showed him how to do it, with a knife. "This is the way to do it," he said. "It is a pity to cut it." John ignored him. He took out his knife and cut it in several places. Mr. Jones returned to see if the boys had undone the parcels.

"Here is the parcel, Sir," said John.

"Here is my parcel, father, and the string," said Ben.

"You may keep the string, Ben," said his father.

Ben was thankful. "What can I do with the string?" Mr. Jones said. "I will give you a job that he can also keep the string to. John could not get this off a piece of wood. A few weeks after this, Mr. Jones gave each of his sons a new tool. The boys had no more work to do.

Ben knew what to do. "I have a string that will do very well for mine," said Ben. He pulled a whipcord out of his pocket. John wished he had saved his.

Sort Elements:

the parcel was tied up tightly.  
they were doing nothing.  
his was cut up.  
he did not cut his string and saved it.  
he could not get the string off.

Mr. Jones called the boys to unpack parcels because  
John could not undo the string because  
John cut the string of the parcel because  
Ben could play with his string because  
John did not cut a useful string because

Sample

2. Read the poem, then match the first part of each sentence to the second part that makes it true.

**THEY DIDN'T THINK**

Once a trap was baited  
With a piece of cheese  
It tickled so a little mouse,  
It almost made him sneeze.  
An old rat said, "There's danger,  
Be careful where you go!"  
"Nonsense!" said the other,  
"I don't think you know!"  
So he walked in boldly —  
Nobody in sight —  
First he took a nibble,  
Then he took a bite;  
Close the trap together  
Snapped as quick as wink,

Sample

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Catching mousey fast there,  
'Cause he didn't think.

Once there was a robin,  
Lived outside the door,  
Who wanted to go inside  
And hop upon the floor.  
"No, no," said the mother,  
"You must stay with me;

Little birds are safest  
Sitting in a tree."  
"I don't care," said Robin,  
And gave his wings a fling,  
"I don't think the old folks  
Know quite everything.  
Down he flew, like a kitten  
Before he'd time to blink;  
"Oh," he heard his mother  
"I'm sorry, But I didn't think."

Sample

PHOEBE CARY

**SORT ELEMENTS**

he thought the old folks could not know everything.  
it was safest.  
he didn't think  
he thought he just didn't know.  
he went to eat cheese.  
he saw danger.

Sample

The old rat warned the mouse because

The mouse was caught in the trap because

The mouse did not listen to the rat because

The robin lived outside the door because

The robin did not listen to his mother because

The cat caught the bird because