

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 raised John up to cut

He showed him the cord, which was a nice cord, and said, "You may cut it if you like. It is a pity to cut it." John ignored him. So 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 it?" he asked. Mr. Jones said that he can also keep the string to use for anything. John could not think of a use for it. A few weeks after this, Mr. Jones gave each of his sons a new top. The boys had no string.

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.

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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 cut the string so boys to unpack parcels because

John could not undo the string because

John cut the string so the parcel was cut up because

Ben could play with his string because

John did not cut his string and saved it because

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,

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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 him a fling,

"I don't think the old folks

Know quite everything.

Down he flew, kicking him

Before he'd time to blink;

"Oh," he

"I'm sorry, But I didn't think."

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.

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