Name _____ Date _____

ANSWER SHEET

Clue Words for Cause and Effect

CAUSE → **EFFECT**

the reason why something happened — what happened because of something else

Clue Words to show cause and effect relationships

since ***because*** ***so*** ***as a result*** ***If... then***

Examples: Rosa ran 20 miles yesterday (cause) so she was sore today (effect).

Since David has a cold (cause), he did not go to school (effect).

Directions: Match the cause and effect in the two columns below to make a complete sentence. Circle the clue words that help you see a cause-and-effect relationship.

Because most owls sleep during the day	so I went to help him.
I saw the boy crying	then you will do well in this class.
As a result of the strong storm	they often hunt at night.
If you study hard and ask questions	the whole town was flooded.
Since Dante practiced volleyball daily	he was an excellent player.

Directions: Choose one of the complete sentences above to draw a picture showing the connected events.

CAUSE	EFFECT
ANSWERS WILL VARY	ANSWERS WILL VARY

Your turn! Write your own cause-and-effect sentences using the sentence frames provided. SAMPLE ANSWERS

1. If we are not nice to people (*cause*), then they will not want to be friends with us (*effect*).

2. Since I left my trumpet at home (*cause*), I could not participate in band practice at school (*effect*).

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