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# Cause and Effect

You have a stomach ache. What was the cause of the stomach ache? You ate too much pasta. What was the result of the stomach ache? You missed a baseball game. This is an example of a "cause/effect" relationship. When you're reading stories or articles, understanding causes and effects is important. This activity will help you with this skill.

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