

Link It Right

Sort links that explain why or show a result.

3W1.c "Use linking words and phrases to connect ideas within categories of information."

NAME _____

DATE _____

WHY LINK

A why link tells why an opinion or idea makes sense. It joins an idea to its reason.

The play begins early **because** families can attend.

RESULT LINK

A result link tells what happens or what to do after a reason. It joins a reason to its result.

The sidewalk is icy; **therefore**, walkers move carefully.

1 SORT _____ 8 items

Circle the correct tag for each sentence, then choose two sentences and tell how the bold link helps connect the ideas.

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| 1. We should have quiet reading time since books help us learn. | ☐ WHY | ☐ RESULT |
| 2. The rain filled the field, so recess is indoors. | ☐ WHY | ☐ RESULT |
| 3. Our school garden needs water; as a result , we should use the hose. | ☐ WHY | ☐ RESULT |
| 4. Cats can make gentle pets since many enjoy gentle cuddles. | ☐ WHY | ☐ RESULT |
| 5. The bus is late, so we should wait near the door. | ☐ WHY | ☐ RESULT |
| 6. We should recycle paper since it can be made into new paper. | ☐ WHY | ☐ RESULT |
| 7. Our class should plant beans since they grow quickly. | ☐ WHY | ☐ RESULT |
| 8. The library has new books; as a result , I want to visit today. | ☐ WHY | ☐ RESULT |

2

PROVE IT

Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ HOW I KNEW _____

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3

MAKE YOUR OWN

One of each

Write one new sentence with a why link and one new sentence with a result link.

WHY _____

RESULT _____

CHALLENGE

Write a three-sentence argument with an opinion, a reason using a why link, and a result using a result link.

PART 1 • SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	We should have quiet reading time since books help us learn.	WHY	Since introduces the reason for having quiet reading time.
2	The rain filled the field, so recess is indoors.	RESULT	So introduces the result of the rainy field.
3	Our school garden needs water; as a result , we should use the hose.	RESULT	As a result introduces what should happen because the garden needs water.
4	Cats can make gentle pets since many enjoy gentle cuddles.	WHY	Since introduces a reason cats can be gentle pets.
5	The bus is late, so we should wait near the door.	RESULT	So introduces what to do because the bus is late.
6	We should recycle paper since it can be made into new paper.	WHY	Since introduces the reason to recycle paper.
7	Our class should plant beans since they grow quickly.	WHY	Since introduces the reason to plant beans.
8	The library has new books; as a result , I want to visit today.	RESULT	As a result introduces an idea that follows from the new books.

PART 2 • PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 • MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **WHY:** We should bring umbrellas **because** rain is in the forecast.
- **RESULT:** The test is tomorrow, **so** we will study tonight.

Challenge: Our school should add more water fountains. We need them **because** students get thirsty after recess. Many students need a drink; **therefore**, the school should add fountains.

Sort answers: 1 WHY, 2 RESULT, 3 RESULT, 4 WHY, 5 RESULT, 6 WHY, 7 WHY, 8 RESULT. For Part 2, accept explanations that correctly identify whether the bold link gives a reason or shows a result.