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Cause/ Effect Essay

another kind of essays is cause essay. In this kind of essays, student discusses the reasons for something, the effects, or both causes and effects.

This type of essays might be organized in two ways: Block Organization

in block organization, the student first discusses all the causes in one two or three paragraphs according to how many causes he discusses. Then he discusses all the effects. He might start by effects then by causes or causes then effects. Also he can discusses only effects or only causes. In block organization, a short paragraph separate one major section from another. This paragraph

is called transition paragraph because it concludes one section and introduce another section. The students has to write a transition paragraph if his topic is long, if not he does not have to. Moreover, essays that discusses mainly causes or mainly effects are recommended to have transition paragraph between block of different types of causes or different types of effects. Block organization works with complex topics.

Chain Organization

in this type of organization, causes and effects are linked to each other in a continuous chain. It works better than block organization when the causes and effects are closely linked together.

Transition signals for cause/ effect essay are recommended to be memorized by students.