

# This Makes That

Story By: Andrew Frinkle

Flip the switch, and the light turns on.

Give the door a push, and it will swing shut.

Throw the ball up, and it comes right back down.

Clap your hands, and you hear a noise.

Eat too much, and you start to feel sick.

Make a bad joke, and watch feelings get hurt.

The wind blows strong, and the kite flies high.

The rain falls down, and you get all wet.

The sun comes up, and the weather gets warm.

The moon comes out, and the bats move around.

You throw a rock in, and the water makes ripples.

You waste all your money, and then you have none left to spend.

Scratch a bug bite, and watch it turn red.

Throw your dog a ball, and he will go chase it.

Say something nice, and someone's spirits will soar.

Study hard and long, and you may do well on your test.

These are all cause and effect. One makes the other happen.

Just by reading them you are part of it.

The reading causes you to understand, and that is the effect.



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  - C. first and last
  - D. compare and contrast
  
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5. How are you, the reader, part of the cause and effect story?
  - A. If you read the story, you will like it.
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