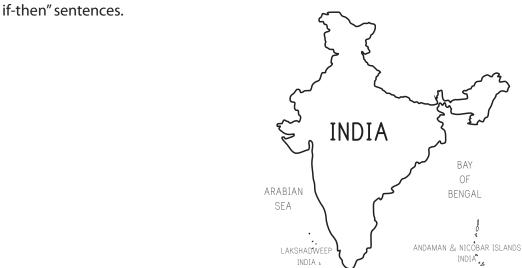
## Answer Key Cause and Effect: Structure

Cause and effect are connected events.	<b>Cause</b> (First)	<b>Effect</b> (Then)
A <b>cause</b> is the <i>first event</i> and the <b>effect</b> is the <i>second event</i> , or resulting action, that happens after the cause.	It rained for three months in India.	There were floods.

Directions: Label the signal words "SW," and underline and label the cause "C" and the effect "E" in different colors. Some signal words may include the following: "because," "due to," "lead to," "since," "as a result," and "



INDIAN OCEAN

Precipitation, or rain, happens because warm air is filled with heavy water droplets and rain

SW

Falls. When the sun heats up water, it leads to water droplets rising into the air. Water droplets

join together in the sky and make clouds. The droplets get bigger in the clouds due to water

droplets bumping into each other Since the droplets get heavier and heavier, they eventually the fall as rain.

While most rain does not last very long, monsoon seasons can last for months. A monsoon is a seasonal wind system from the Indian Ocean. It blows from the southwest in the summer and the northeast in the winter. When the wind system hits the southwest, heavy rain begins.

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Answer Key	С	
Every summer, India has storms that never s	eem to end. The rain ca	an last for up to five months.
SW		E
As a result, large amounts of water cover so	uthern Asia and the Inc	dian Ocean. People and
	SWC	
wildlife rely on these seasonal monsoons be	cause the storms help	water the crops and
SW C	SW	E
replenish rivers (f) monsoon strikes too ear	ly in the summer, then	dangerous floods can wipe
SW C	SW	E
out whole towns. But if monsoon happens	too late, then the lack	of water can cause droughts
C	E	
and famine. Famine and drought can cause	thirsty plants and hung	ry people. The balance

**Challenge:** Find cause-and-effect relationships that do not have typical signal words or phrases.

Storms occur and replenish the water.

between the right amount of rain can affect many people.