

**Cause and Effect Essay**

Build your cause and effect essay by using the prompts to generate ideas. Add topic and subtopics to expand your thinking and add additional paragraphs and/or examples. Notes can be used to add detail and cite sources. Complete the writing process in Outline View, or use the Transfer tool to continue the writing process in a word processor.

**I.** **Subject**

**A.** **Topic**

Choose a topic for which you are able to make a cause (reason) and effect (result) connection.

**B.** **Thesis Statement**

Write a general statement that shows the relationships between the cause and the effect.

**C.** **Thesis Support**

Which 3 points will explain or prove your thesis statement?

**1.**

**2.**

**3.**

**II.** **Effects/Causes**

Break down the larger topic into smaller pieces, supporting each effect with causes.

**A.** **Effect**

What is an effect of the problem, event or issue?

**1.** **Cause**

What causes explain why the effect happened?

**2.** **Cause**

**3.** **Cause**

**B.** **Effect**

**1.** **Cause**

**2.** **Cause**

**3.** **Cause**

**C.** **Effect**

**1.** **Cause**

**2.** **Cause**

**3.** **Cause**

**III.** **Conclusion**

How will you sum-up the relationship between the causes and effects presented?