

Because because of

Answer key

1 Complete with "because" or "because of".

- 1 We stayed inside because of the heat.
- 2 I can't come to the party because I have to work on Saturday.
- 3 She was late for work because of an accident on the highway.
- 4 He's tired because he didn't sleep well last night.
- 5 I love this café because of the music.
- 6 We moved to the suburbs because the kids needed more space.
- 7 The kids were excited because of the snow.
- 8 I bought this phone because it has a great camera.
- 9 My knee hurts because of an old injury.
- 10 They're saving money because they want to buy a house.

2 Complete with "because" or "so".

- 1 It started to rain, so we went back to the hotel.
- 2 We went back to the hotel because it started to rain.
- 3 The printer was broken, so I sent the file by email.
- 4 I sent the file by email because the printer was broken.
- 5 My sister lives nearby, so we see each other a lot.
- 6 I didn't call you because my phone was dead.
- 7 The restaurant was full, so we ordered pizza at home.
- 8 She speaks three languages, so she got a job at the embassy.
- 9 We're out of milk, so I'm going to the store.

3 Circle the correct option.

- 1 The concert was postponed _____ a technical problem.
because / due to / so that
- 2 _____ you're here, can you help me move this couch?
Since / Because of / Due to
- 3 I took a jacket _____ I wouldn't get cold.
so that / because of / therefore
- 4 Our sales dropped last year. _____, we had to cut costs.
Because / Because of / Therefore

3 Circle the correct option.

5 She called in sick _____ a bad headache.
because / because of / so

7 We bought a bigger car _____ the whole family could travel together.
because of / so that / therefore

9 I'm learning English _____ I want to work abroad. because of / due to / because

6 _____ it was a holiday, all the stores were closed. As / Due to / So that

8 The train was late _____ the snow.
owing to / since / so

4 Choose the correct sentence.

1 a) I was late because of I missed the bus.
b) I was late because I missed the bus.
c) I was late due to I missed the bus.

3 a) Since we had time, so we walked to the museum.
b) Since we had time, we walked to the museum.
c) Due to we had time, we walked to the museum.

5 a) The road is closed due to repairs.
b) The road is closed due to they are repairing it.
c) The road is closed so that repairs.

2 a) The school was closed because the storm.
b) The school was closed because of the storm.
c) The school was closed so that the storm.

4 a) I turned off my phone so that I could focus.
b) I turned off my phone because of I could focus.
c) I turned off my phone therefore I could focus.

6 a) He didn't study. Therefore, he failed the test.
b) He didn't study. Because, he failed the test.
c) He didn't study. Because of, he failed the test.

5 Put the words in order.

1 couldn't / of / sleep / the / because / I / noise / .

I couldn't sleep because of the noise.

2 is / because / got / happy / raise / a / she / she / .

She is happy because she got a raise.

3 storm / meeting / was / the / the / due / to / canceled / .

The meeting was canceled due to the storm.

4 catch / I / that / so / early / left / train / the / I / could / .

I left early so that I could catch the train.

5 you / traffic / because / the / of / were / late / ?

Were you late because of the traffic?

6 that / writing / I'm / so / forget / I / don't / it / down / .

I'm writing it down so that I don't forget.

7 food / fridge / we / empty / the / ordered / because / was / .

We ordered food because the fridge was empty.

8 boss / your / because / job / of / quit / did / you / your / ?

Did you quit your job because of your boss?

6 Find and correct the mistake in each sentence.

1 The trip was canceled due of the storm.

The trip was canceled due to the storm.

2 I'm tired so I didn't sleep well.

I'm tired because I didn't sleep well.

3 I left early because I could catch the bus.

I left early so I could catch the bus.

4 We stayed home because the bad weather.

We stayed home because of bad weather.

6 Find and correct the mistake in each sentence.

- 5 Owing for the strike, all trains are delayed.

Owing to the strike, all trains are delayed.

- 6 The coffee was cold, because I made a new one.

The coffee was cold, so I made a new one.

- 7 Since of my cold, I missed the wedding.

Because of my cold, I missed the wedding.

- 8 Therefore it was expensive, we didn't buy it.

Since it was expensive, we didn't buy it.

- 9 The streets are wet because to the rain.

The streets are wet because of the rain.

YOUR LIFE

7 Write about your reasons and plans.

I ... BECAUSE...

I ... SO THAT...

Answers will vary.