

Published Texts & Mentor Texts Tracking Sheet

Mentor Text 3 of 4

Write your own answer for each thinking level in its box.

GRADE 4 • INFORMATIONAL MENTOR TEXT 3 OF 4 • TEKS 4.9(D) • 4.12(B)

from “Rain, from The Story-Book of Science” (Jean-Henri Fabre, 1917)

Name: _____

Date: _____



NOTICE

Monday

Notice the cause and effect signal words.

Find the words that signal a cause.



CHOOSE

Tuesday

Choose the cause.

What causes the invisible vapor to become a cloud?



SHOW

Wednesday

Show the chain.

Put the chain of causes and effects in order.



OWN

Thursday

Own it. Try the craft move.

Explain a cause and effect chain you know, such as ice melting or a plant growing. Use signal words.



DEFEND

Friday

Defend the author's choice.

Why does Fabre explain every link instead of saying “Clouds make rain”?

Show What You Know

Circle your answer. Explain your answer on the back.

A

B

C

D

Tracking Sheet (Back)

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Show what you know and hunt for craft moves.

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Your turn.

Choose something in nature. Explain the causes and effects in order.

Show What You Know

Bubble your answer: A B C D

Why I chose this answer:

Craft Hunter

Go back to “Paper” from the test slide. Write the craft move and what the reader learns or feels.

TEXT AND CRAFT MOVE

WHAT THE AUTHOR DOES

WHAT THE READER LEARNS OR FEELS

Self-Check

SKILL

I CAN DO
THIS

ALMOST

NOT YET

I can notice explaining cause and effect.

I can choose the best example of explaining cause and effect.

I can show how explaining cause and effect works.

I can use explaining cause and effect in my own writing.