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Effect Signals Answer Key

Signal Words in Sentences

1. so
2. therefore
3. as a result
4. because
5. consequently

Sorting

- **Cause Clues:** because, due to, since
- **Effect Clues:** as a result, therefore, consequently, so

Teacher Notes / Guide

- **Focus Skill:** Helps students identify the *linguistic signals* that connect causes and effects.
- **Support:** Offer a word bank of signal words for struggling readers.
- **Extension:** Have advanced students highlight signal words in a longer passage and explain whether each signals a cause or an effect.
- **Discussion Prompt:** Ask: *"How do signal words help us quickly see the relationship between two events in reading?"*