

Name _____

Chain Reaction Verb Fill

Directions: Read the passage carefully. Use **cause-and-effect logic** to select the best word from the Word Bank for each blank. Think about what happens *because* something else happens. Each word in the Word Bank will be used **once only**.



overflowed

caused

forced

prevented

began

The Flooded Field

Heavy rain fell for three days without stopping. As a result, the nearby river (1) _____ its banks and spilled into the surrounding farmland. The farmer's crops were completely underwater, which (2) _____ them from getting enough sunlight.

Because the soil was soaked and muddy, the farmer's tractor (3) _____ in the field. He could not harvest anything, so he lost most of his income. This loss of money (4) _____ him to postpone repairing his old barn roof. Eventually, the spoiled crops (5) _____ to attract insects, making the problem even worse.

