

## Sorting by Structure Answer Key

**Cause/Effect:** 1, 6

- Signal words: "because," "as a result."

**Compare/Contrast:** 2, 7

- Signal words: "but," "unlike."

**Chronological:** 3, 8

- Signal words: "afterward," "then."

**Problem/Solution:** 4, 9

- Problem introduced + solution provided.

**Description:** 5, 10

- Uses sensory details to describe without causes or sequences.

### Challenge Question (Model Answers)

- **Cause/Effect:** Because the heavy rain flooded the streets, the soccer game was canceled.
- **Compare/Contrast:** Although cats are usually independent, dogs are often more social and eager to please.
- **Chronological:** First, Maya packed her suitcase, then she grabbed her passport, and finally she headed to the airport.
- **Problem/Solution:** The classroom was too noisy, so the teacher asked everyone to lower their voices.
- **Description:** The old library was quiet and dusty, with tall wooden shelves filled with ancient books.

### Teacher Notes

- This activity encourages students to **notice signal words** and patterns.
- Consider projecting the **Sentence Bank** and letting students sort in small groups.
- For differentiation:
  - **Support:** Provide a color-coded signal word list for each structure.
  - **Extension:** Have students expand sentences into short paragraphs using the same structure.