Cause and Effect

Cause: An event or circumstance that makes something happen; the reason something happens (answers the question **why?**)

Effect: Something that happens as a result of, or because of, a cause (tells **what** happened)

In the following chart, if the cause is given, type the effect. If the effect is given, type the cause.

Cause	Effect
I stayed out in the sun too long without sunscreen	*I got burned by the sun.*
someone poked the balloon with a pin	the balloon popped
the alarm clock did not ring	
	I was locked out of my house
I skipped lunch	
	the cake burned

Cause	Effect
Dad had a flat tire	
	the banks of the river flooded
it was raining hard	
	there were long lines at the movie theater
the days are longer in summer	
	Dad had a flat tire

Select two cause and effect relationships from the completed chart. Type each one in two different ways. For example:

- *I stayed out in the sun too long without sunscreen so I got sunburned.*

- *I got sunburned because I stayed out in the sun too long without sunscreen.*

1. A. _____

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    B. _____

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2. A. _____

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