

Student Exemplars
for
Cause – Effect
Paragraphs

Story:

Why the Sky is Far Away

Shared Demonstration

Each exemplar features a student's written paragraph followed by his/her Story Map.

Story Map Writing

Cause-Effect

3-5-04

I In the story Why the Sky is Far Away, the location of the sky changes. **A** In the beginning, the sky is very close to the Earth. The sky provides food for all the people on Earth but, people take more pieces of the sky than they need. **B** First, the sky warns the king that if people don't stop wasting its gifts, it will take the gifts away. **C** Then, a greedy woman takes a big piece of the sky even though she isn't hungry, and then she buries it. **D** Since the people don't listen to the sky's warning, the sky fills with clouds and moves away. **E** At the end, the sky is far away from Earth. **F** Hence, now the people have to grow their own food.

3-3-04

Purpose: Cause- Effect

Title: Why the Sky is Far Away

Characters?

The sky
Osa
Adese

Setting?

Earth

Before

In the beginning, the sky is very close to the Earth.

After

At the end, the sky is far away from Earth.

List the EVENTS on the back.

Events

- ① The sky provides food for all the people on Earth but people take more pieces of the sky than they need.
2. The sky warns the king that if people don't stop wasting its gifts, it will take the gifts away.
- ③ A greedy woman takes a big piece of the sky even though she isn't hungry, and then she buries it.
- ④ Since the people don't listen to the sky's warning, the sky fills with clouds and moves away.