

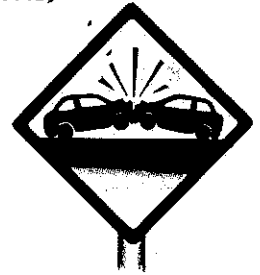
# Giving reasons: cause and effect

## Remember

You can show the cause (the reason why something happens) by using conjunctions such as 'so that', prepositions such as 'due to' and adverbs such as 'therefore'.

The main road is closed **due to** an accident.

The road will be closed for some time and **therefore** a diversion has been put in place.



## Try it

- 1 Choose a different word or phrase from the box to complete each sentence with a reason why.

**because of    so that    for    as    therefore**

The crops did not grow \_\_\_\_\_ the drought.

He went to the leisure centre \_\_\_\_\_ a swim.

The striker is injured and \_\_\_\_\_ is unlikely to play.

Do not go near the cliff top \_\_\_\_\_ it is dangerous.

She stood on a box \_\_\_\_\_ she could see over the wall.

- 2 Complete each sentence by adding a reason why.

The match was cancelled due to \_\_\_\_\_

I could not concentrate because of \_\_\_\_\_

The werewolf stood in the doorway to \_\_\_\_\_

Ethan went to Spain for \_\_\_\_\_

I cannot help you since \_\_\_\_\_

## Sentence practice

Write a sentence explaining why someone fell over. Use a **preposition** in your answer.