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Affect vs. Effect

The words **affect** and **effect** are easy to mix up. Here are some simple rules to help keep these words straight.

AFFECT

►► Use **affect** as a verb meaning "to influence or cause a change."

*How will this quiz **affect** my grade?*

*The referee's call **affected** the outcome of the game.*

EFFECT

►► Use **effect** as a noun meaning "a result or impact."

*Exercising regularly has positive **effects** on people's health.*

*The movie's soundtrack had a powerful **effect** on my emotions.*

Directions: Click on the correct boldface word in each sentence below to correctly complete each sentence.

1. The amount of sleep you get at night **affects/effects** your energy level throughout the day.
2. The **affect/effect** of the wildfires that devastated forests across the state will be felt for years to come.
3. The rainy weather will probably **affect/effect** attendance at the baseball game.
4. The company hoped its new commercials would **affect/effect** its product's popularity in the coming months.
5. It is always a good idea to read the warning label on any medicine you take so that you understand its possible side **affects/effects**.
6. It will be interesting to see what **affect/effect** the new public transportation system has on traffic.
7. Scientists are studying how space travel **affects/effects** the human body.

Directions: Write one sentence using *affect* and one sentence using *effect*.

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