

Because and because of

Because is a conjunction. Because of is a preposition. As a conjunction, because is followed by a clause. Because of is followed by a noun/pronoun.

Fill in the blanks with because or because of.

1. We cancelled the trip the rain.

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2. He sat down he was feeling dizzy.

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3. It is your mother that we got into this mess.

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4. We hurried indoors it was raining.

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5. I was late the traffic.

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6. We could not reach on time the traffic was terrible.

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7. The exam was easy he knew all the answers.

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8. He can't walk his illness.

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9. He lost his job the recession.

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Answers

1. We cancelled the trip because of the rain.
2. He sat down because he was feeling dizzy.
3. It is because of your mother that we got into this mess.
4. We hurried indoors because it was raining.
5. I was late because of the traffic.
6. We could not reach on time because the traffic was terrible.
7. The exam was easy because he knew all the answers.
8. He can't walk because of his illness.
9. He lost his job because of the recession.

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10. Because of the language problem, I couldn't win the argument.