

Because And Because Of | Grammar Exercise

Because is a conjunction. It is followed by a clause. Because of is a preposition. It is followed by a noun or noun equivalent. These words are often confused.

Can you use because and because of correctly? Test your understanding with this grammar exercise.

Fill in the blanks.

1. We cancelled the trip the rain.

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2. It was you that I got into trouble.

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3. We hurried indoors it started raining.

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4. I was late I missed the train.

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5. We couldn't work the power outage.

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6. I passed the test easily I had studied well.

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7. She can't walk arthritis.

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8. Hundreds of people lost their jobs recession.

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9. He found working in China quite difficult he didn't understand Chinese.

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10. We couldn't understand him his accent.

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11. She quit her job she wanted to spend more time with her children.

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12. She ate only a salad she is a vegetarian.

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Answers

1. We cancelled the trip because of the rain.
2. It was because of you that I got into trouble.
3. We hurried indoors because it started raining.
4. I was late because I missed the train.
5. We couldn't work because of the power outage.
6. I passed the test easily because I had studied well.
7. She can't walk because of arthritis.
8. Hundreds of people lost their jobs because of recession.
9. He found working in China quite difficult because he didn't understand Chinese.
10. We couldn't understand him because of his accent.
11. She quit her job because she wanted to spend more time with her children.
12. She ate only a salad because she is a vegetarian.