



GRADE 4 • CAUSE AND EFFECT

THE ICE CREAM MAN WHO NEVER MELTS

One cone, cold fingers. Two cones, frost. Three cones...

Name: _____

Date: _____

CAUSE AND EFFECT

Each thing that happens causes something else. Read each cause, then write the effect.

CAUSE

Miles eats his first free cone.



One last ray of sunlight touches the Ice Cream Man's hand.



Gavin eats his third cone.



The Ice Cream Man's shoe touches the hot blacktop.



EFFECT





GRADE 4 • THEME DETECTIVE

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THEME DETECTIVE

The theme is the big lesson of a story. Answer each question to find the theme of The Ice Cream Man Who Never Melts.

1. Stella yells, "Nothing's free." What does she mean? Was she right?

2. Miles knows what the third cone does, but he still wants it. Why is it so hard for him to say no?

3. What lesson does the author want readers to learn? Use one detail from the story to explain.





GRADE 4 • WHO IS STELLA?

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WHO IS STELLA?

A trait is a word that describes what someone is like. Write three of Stella's traits and the evidence from the story that proves each one.

TRAIT 1 _____

EVIDENCE FROM THE STORY

TRAIT 2 _____

EVIDENCE FROM THE STORY

TRAIT 3 _____

EVIDENCE FROM THE STORY





GRADE 4 • WHAT'S THE CATCH?

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WHAT'S THE CATCH?

Write a short story. Use details that help the reader see, hear, and feel what happens.

A strange truck comes down your street, giving away something for free. What is it giving away? What is the catch? Write what happens.

CHECK YOUR WORK

- ☐ Has a clear beginning, middle, and end.
- ☐ Describes what the narrator sees, hears, or feels.
- ☐ The catch is clear, and someone figures it out.

