

# consequence

noun

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► Say it: con • se • quence

Write it: \_\_\_\_\_

Academic Vocabulary Toolkit

### Meaning

the result of something that happens

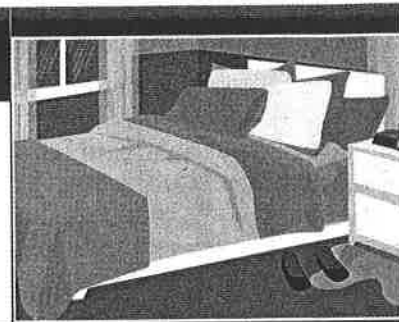
*Synonym:* outcome

### Example

If you leave your bedroom

\_\_\_\_\_ open when it

rains, the **consequence** is that your belongings get \_\_\_\_\_.



### Forms

- *Singular:* consequence
- *Plural:* consequences

### Family

- *Adjective:* consequent
- *Adverb:* consequently

### Word Partners

- direct \_\_\_\_\_ Hannah's bad grades were a **direct consequence** of her poor study habits.
- negative \_\_\_\_\_ One **negative consequence** of a snowstorm is that you might not be able to leave your house.
- suffer the \_\_\_\_\_ s When Jake played basketball without stretching first, he **suffered the consequences**.

## Verbal Practice

**Talk about It** Read each sentence and think about how you would complete it.

**Discuss** your idea with your partner using the sentence frame.

**Listen** carefully to your partner's and classmates' ideas.

**Write** your favorite idea in the blank.

- 1 If I oversleep on a school day, the **consequence** is that I \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 If you do something bad like \_\_\_\_\_, you must be ready to pay the **consequences**.

## Writing Practice

**Collaborate** Work with your partner to complete the sentence using the correct form of consequence and appropriate content.

One \_\_\_\_\_ of volunteering is that it makes you feel good about

\_\_\_\_\_.

**Your Turn** Work independently to complete the sentence using the correct form of consequence and appropriate content.

If I disrespected my teacher or principal, I would probably suffer the \_\_\_\_\_

because \_\_\_\_\_.

**Be an Academic Author** Work independently to write two sentences. In your first sentence, use consequence in the *singular form* and include a word partner. In your second sentence, use consequence in the *plural form*.

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② \_\_\_\_\_

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### grammar tip

Count nouns name things that can be counted. Count nouns have two forms, singular and plural. To make most count nouns plural, add *-s*.

She will suffer the consequences.

He likes board games.

**Write an Academic Paragraph** Complete the paragraph using the correct form of consequence and original content.

In life, every action has a consequence, but not all \_\_\_\_\_ ①  
carry the same importance. For example, some consequences are minor, like having to  
make up a \_\_\_\_\_ ② after missing class or getting grounded for  
\_\_\_\_\_. ③ Other consequences are slightly more significant;  
for example, if you \_\_\_\_\_ ④ with a friend, you may not speak to each other  
for a short period of time. However, some consequences are very \_\_\_\_\_ ⑤  
and can impact your life for a long time. For instance, the \_\_\_\_\_ ⑥ of  
stealing may involve getting arrested, paying a fine, and sometimes even going to jail. It is  
important to consider the \_\_\_\_\_ ⑦ of all of your actions and think before  
you \_\_\_\_\_ ⑧.