**Using Qualifiers to Compose Statements of Cause or Effect**

For each event or phenomenon, assess the cause or effect and write a better statement. Use qualifiers in your statement when necessary. The box below lists common qualifiers.



1. Event or Phenomenon: The Braves lost the game.

A statement that oversimplifies: The Braves lost because their key player was off his game.

A better statement: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. Event or Phenomenon: Marcus failed his Spanish class.

A statement that oversimplifies: Marcus failed his Spanish class because he never studied.

A better statement: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. Event or Phenomenon: Demetria worked an extra shift.

A statement that oversimplifies: Demetria must have worked the extra shift because she needed more money.

A better statement: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. Event or Phenomenon: There aren’t many customers at Marco’s restaurant.

A statement that oversimplifies: There aren’t many customers at Marco’s restaurant because nobody likes the new menu.

A better statement:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_