

SEQUENCE & CAUSE

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Grade 4

The Lighthouse: A Beacon of Safety

WISDOM

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preceptor reads aloud

DO THIS

► Read the passage carefully.

READ · read carefully — you will answer questions about this

- 1 A lighthouse is a tall tower that stands on the edge of the ocean. It is painted white and red, and on very clear days, you can see it from far away. At night, a bright light shines from the top of the lighthouse. This light is called a beacon. The beacon helps guide ships safely through the dark water.
- 2 Many years ago, sailors had to travel across the ocean to reach new lands. The ocean could be very dangerous, especially at night. Ships could crash into rocks that were hidden under the water. Without help, sailors would not know which way to go. They needed something to help them stay safe.
- 3 That is why people built lighthouses along the coast. The bright light from the lighthouse beacon told sailors that land was near. The light also showed sailors where the safe water was. Sailors looked for the lighthouse light to know they were going the right way. The lighthouse light was like a friend helping them find their path home.
- 4 Today, ships still use lighthouses to stay safe. Modern ships have special tools called GPS that help them too. But the lighthouse light is still important. Many sailors say that seeing the lighthouse light makes them feel calm and protected. The lighthouse teaches us an important lesson: when we feel lost, a light of hope can guide us to safety and help us find our way.

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People built lighthouses along the coast with bright beacon lights to guide ships.

Sailors looked for the lighthouse light to know they were safe and going the right direction.

Today, ships still use lighthouses along with modern tools, and the light continues to help sailors feel calm and protected.

CAUSE . why it happened

EFFECT . what happened

RETELL . use the events to retell the story in your own words

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ANSWER KEY

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CAUSE · why it happened

Ships could crash into rocks hidden under the water at night because sailors could not see the dangers.

EFFECT · what happened

People built lighthouses with bright beacon lights to show sailors where the safe water was and keep them from crashing.

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