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affect our picnic plans.”  [**effect**](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/effect)  Effect is the result of an action, as in those “cause and effect” papers you might write in English class. Your topic could be how your late-night tuba playing (cause) has driven your roommate insane (effect) |