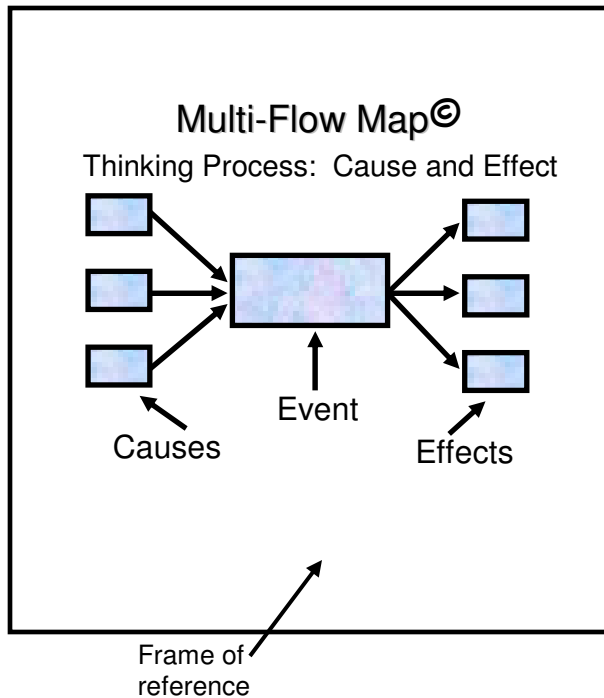


Map Memo for Families: The Multi-Flow Map[©]

A **MULTI-FLOW MAP[©]** focuses on the thought process of cause and effect. This map helps students analyze a situation by looking at what caused an event and the results/effects of the event - the 'why' and 'consequences' - good or bad.



Event: The event that occurred is first listed in the center rectangle. The event must show action.

Causes: In the rectangles to the left, the causes of the event are listed.

Effects: The effects/consequences of the event are listed in the rectangles to the right of the event.

Frame of reference: The frame of reference around the map allows students to indicate where they got their information: their teacher, a textbook, their parent, personal experience, the Discovery Channel, etc.

KEY WORDS FOR MULTI-FLOW MAPS[©]

Causes and effects, discuss consequences, what would happen if, predict, change, identify motives, why, results, outcomes, benefits

In each of the examples below students can best organize their thinking by using a **MULTI-FLOW MAP[©]**.

- “What are the causes and effects of the Civil War?”
- “What are the causes and effects of global warming?”
- “What would happen if we had no rules to follow?”
- “What movie shall we watch tonight?”
- “Why is it important to wash our hands frequently?”
- “What are the results of eating healthy foods?”

Parent Tip: ask your child to tell you what they know about **MULTI-FLOW MAPS[©]** and how they have used them at school.