

Problems and Causes

Work with a partner to match the problem to the cause.

Student A	Student B
1. I couldn't go swimming because ... _____	A. ... I had forgotten to charge it.
2. I couldn't sleep because ... _____	B. ... I hadn't studied enough.
3. My phone didn't work because ... _____	C. ... it had started to rain.
4. I didn't wake up on time because ... _____	D. ... I had left my swimsuit at home.
5. We couldn't go to the park because ... _____	E. ... I hadn't set the alarm.
6. I failed the test because ... _____	F. ... someone had punched him.
7. He had a nosebleed because ... _____	G. ... I had drunk too much coffee.

Now make your own causes for the following problems by writing sentences with "I had ..."

1. I bought a new phone because ... _____.
2. I got a stomachache because ... _____.
3. I didn't go to the party because ... _____.
4. I ate an insect because ... _____.
5. I couldn't stay awake in class because ... _____.
6. I ran home screaming because ... _____.
7. I got a toothache because ... _____.

With your partner, ask them the following questions and write down their answer

1. Why did you buy a new phone? _____.
2. Why do you have a stomachache? _____.
3. Why didn't you go to the party? _____.
4. Why did you eat an insect? _____.
5. Why couldn't you stay awake? _____.
6. Why did you run home screaming? _____.
7. Why do you have a toothache? _____.