Because Vs. because of

Because is a conjunction. Because of is a preposition. As a conjunction, because is followed by a clause. Because of is followed by a noun/pronoun.

Write WHY Questions

- 1.We canceled the trip because of the rain.
- 2. He sat down because he was feeing dizzy.
- 3.It is because of your friend that we got into this mess.
- 4. We hurried indoors because it was raining.
- 5.I was late because of the traffic.
- 6. The exam was so easy because he knew all the answers.
- 7.He can't walk because of the his illness.
- 8.He lost his job because of the recessions.
- 9. Because of the language problems, I couldn't win the debate.

Speaking and writing Challenges:

1) What is your best time of the day? What do you usually do?

- 2) What do you miss most about your home country after you moved to the US.?
- 3) What are the fun things to do in summer?
- 4) Where can you buy the freshest produce in South San Francisco?
- 5) What is the most convenient public transportation to San Francisco Civic Center?

Write WHY questions

- 1. David is moving because his apartment is really small.
- 2. Jorge is looking at apartments online to find one he likes.
- 3. Hugo went to the supermarket for bread and butter.
- 4.I didn't move because I love the neighborhood.
- 5.I went to the store for a bottle of water.
- 6. Jane came to work early for a meeting.
- 7. Martin loves to live in the city because it is easy to get to work.
- 8. Jack and Suzy are going to the bank to open a joint account.

Class discussion:

What is one reason why ...

- 1. people move to the U.S.?
- 2. immigrants take English classes?
- 3. people eat at restaurants?
- 4. people go to the gym?
- 5. people save money?
- 6. students talk to a school counselor?
- 7. people take public transportation?
- 8. students are late to class?
- 9. people volunteer?