CAUSE AND EFFECT WORKSHEET

TITLE: JACK AND THE BEAN STALK

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X FORWARD CONSTRUCTION

 \square BACKWARD CONSTRUCTION

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| CAUSE/EVENT | EFFECT/RESULT/REACTION/ACTION/ THAT LEADS TO NEW EVENT/CAUSE |
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| Read left to right, back to left, back to right. Cause, effect, cause, effect, cause, effect | |
| Giant steals the hen that lays golden eggs from Jack and his mother, so → | Jack and Mother have no income. They are poor and starving. → |
| Because they are starving, Mother tells Jack to sell the cow, so→ | Jack heads to market with cow and meets a strange man who offers to trade five magical beans for Jack's cow. → |
| Jack takes the deal, hurries home, and gives beans to Mother. She is angry that Jack was so foolish, so → | She scolds him and throws the beans out the window. → |
| Since the beans are magical, Jack wakes the next morning to find a beanstalk stretching to the sky, so → | He climbs it up to the sky and explores until → |
| He comes to a castle, knocks on the door, and asks the cook for supper and lodging, so \rightarrow | Cook warns him about the giant who lives there and eats people. She tells him it would be too dangerous. |
| Because Jack is too tired to go another step, he begs Cook to let him in, so → | Cook lets him into the kitchen. → |
| They hear Giant stomping toward the kitchen, so → | Cook hides Jack in the oven. → |
| Giant sniffs out Jack, so → | Cook distracts him with dinner. Jack watches from his hiding place as Giant eats and then calls for his hen and has her lay golden eggs |
| Jack realizes it is the hen that Giant stole from him and his mother, so → | He watches and waits while Giant has hen lay a dozen golden eggs, and when Giant falls asleep \rightarrow |
| Jack runs and snatches the hen \rightarrow | Giant wakes up → |
| Jack runs to beanstalk → | Giant chases after Jack → |
| Jack slides down the stalk, yelling for his mother, Giant is close behind, so → | His mother comes running with the ax \rightarrow |
| Jack chops the stalk with the ax \rightarrow | Stalk and Giant come tumbling down → |
| Day after day, the hen lays golden eggs, so → | Jack and Mother grow more and more prosperous, and the beanstalk never grows again. |
| | Note: This version doesn't say what happened to the giant but I assume he died in the fall. |