Annex A

Type of Cause	Trigger/Immediate Cause.	Contributory Cause.	Underlying Cause.
Explanation	Catching the virus directly resulted in Peter falling sick.	Sitting next to a sick classmate meant there was a likelihood of Peter catching the virus.	Sleeping late for several nights made Peter weaker and more prone to falling sick.
Situation	Peter was infected by a virus, which caused him to have a fever.	Peter sat next to a classmate who was still recovering from a sickness. The classmate spread the virus to Peter.	Peter had been sleeping late for several nights as he was not coping with school and spending too long on his homework, which weakened Peter's body and made him less able to fight off the viral infection.

Student responses grouped according to three types of reasons for the example of Peter falling ill (students taking G2 History)

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