

BECAUSE VS. BECAUSE OF

[Exercise 1]

Complete the gaps with **because** or **because of**.

Example:

Charlotte found the exam easy _____ she had been preparing for it a lot.

Answer:

Charlotte found the exam easy **because** she had been preparing for it a lot.

1. We went to the restaurant _____ we didn't want to start cooking.
2. Chris didn't stay _____ Kevin's arrival.
3. They have some difficulties _____ me. This is entirely my fault.
4. Peter left the party early _____ he had a morning class.
5. Emma canceled her trip _____ bad weather conditions.
6. People are losing their jobs _____ the recession.
7. He hit the man _____ he was driving too fast.
8. I felt lonely _____ nobody was talking to me.
9. Nobody could understand what he was saying _____ his strong accent.
10. Lilly didn't pass the test _____ she hadn't studied hard enough.
11. I was late _____ the traffic.
12. They had to stop playing football _____ the heavy rain.
13. Amelia didn't arrive until 8 pm _____ the traffic was terrible.
14. He can't go with you _____ he has a cold.
15. I have to move to Barcelona _____ my mom's new job.

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