Round 2 · Lesson 8 · Cause & Effect

Nothing Is Luck

By the end of this lesson, you can separate what you cause from what you can't control, and put your energy where it counts.

About 20 minutes All ages Round 2

Part 1 · Read (5–8 min)

The big idea

> "Every Cause has its Effect; every Effect has its Cause; everything happens according to Law; Chance is but a name for Law not recognized."
>
> The Kybalion (1908)

"Luck" is often just a cause you didn't see.

When someone "gets lucky" and lands a big contract, zoom out. Often you'll find years of showing up, a reputation, a phone number in the right person's contacts. The effect looked sudden. The causes were slow. The Kybalion says *"Chance is but a name for Law not recognized."*

There are two ways to live:

- **As an effect.** Life happens *to* you. You react to the boss, the bill, the news, the weather. Somebody else is always the cause.
- **As a cause.** You still get hit by things, but you also start things. You plant on purpose. You make the call, write the plan, save the dollar.

Now an honest part, because this principle gets twisted. **Not everything is your fault.** Where you were born, a sickness, an accident, a recession: those

are causes too, and they weren't yours. Blaming people for everything that happens to them is cruel and wrong.

So split your life into two circles:

1. **What I can't control:** the weather, the economy, other people's choices, the past.
2. **What I can cause:** my effort, my words, my habits, who I call, what I learn, how I respond.

Spend your energy in the second circle. Every effect you want later needs a cause you plant now.

Part 2 · Practice (10 min)

Two circles

Pick one situation you're dealing with. Sort it.

Can't control	Can cause

Then plant one cause today. Write it here:

> Bonus: Watch a tower rise
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> In BERLO City, new towers grow only from winning trades. Find one. What caused it to grow?

Part 3 · Check yourself

3 quick questions

1. The Kybalion says "chance" is really:

- Magic
- A law (a cause) not yet recognized
- Proof nothing matters

A law (a cause) not yet recognized. Luck is often an unseen cause.

2. Living "as a cause" means:

- Nothing bad ever happens to you
- You start things on purpose instead of only reacting
- Everything is your fault

You start things on purpose instead of only reacting. You still get hit, but you also plant.

3. Which is in the "can cause" circle?

- The economy
- How you respond
- The weather

How you respond. Your response is always yours.

Part 4 · Try it this week

Your real-life task

Every day this week, plant one small cause toward something you want: a message, a saved dollar, a page learned, an application sent. Track all seven.

Next: Gender

Action and patience. Why building takes both pushing and waiting.

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