

# Fishbone Diagram

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The Fishbone Diagram (or Ishikawa Diagram) is used to display the causes for a specific effect, event, or problem. It is also known as a cause-and-effect diagram. Write the effect or outcome at the head of the diagram. Write the causes that lead to that effect on each of the “bones” that spread out from the center line. Students can use this tool to analyze the factors that lead to the desired effect. They can also use it to define the causes of a certain problem.

