## **Cause and Effect Essay Outline on Divorce**

For a better idea of what a cause and effect outline can look like in practice, take a look at the example below. This sample essay focuses on the causes of divorce. So, as you might already understand, it's going to be 'many causes, one effect' type of essay:

**Introduction**: The US has one of the highest divorce rates in the world due to a number of factors, including money, lack of communication and unrealistic expectations.

## Body:

- Causes:
- 1. Money plays an influential role in our lives, and when one spouse has different spending habits than the other, this can cause a lot of problems. When you're always working to barely make ends meet, it can cause stress that affects the relationship. (Include statistics about the rates of divorce for couples in different income brackets.)
- 2. A lack of communication can quickly lead to frustration and resentment from both parties. Causes: Not talking enough to your partner, insulting one another and yelling at your partner.
- 3. Many people may come from single-parent homes or families where parents hid their problems from children, which, in turn, lead to unrealistic expectations from marriage. The excess of romance movies that only show the good can also play a factor in this.
- Effect: Unless couples can overcome these difficulties together, divorces will continue to be a big problem in the United States. (Add a prognosis about the divorce rates for the next ten years.)
- **Conclusion**: Money, lack of communication and unrealistic expectations continue to be some of the top reasons people get divorced today. Unless couples put in the effort and seek professional help when these problems arise, divorce rates will continue to remain high. (Give some examples of how married couples can tackle these issues.)