

AFFECT OR EFFECT?

Affect is chiefly used as a **verb** meaning 'to influence or make a difference to'.



'The weather severely **affected** their wedding day.'



'The goal had a big **effect** on the whole match.'

Effect is most commonly used as a **noun** meaning 'a result or influence'.

Effect can also be a **verb** meaning 'to bring something about as a result', in more formal contexts.



'The courts **effected** many reforms.'

AND IN CASE YOU AREN'T SURE...

A **verb** is used to describe an action, state, or occurrence.

A **noun** is used to describe a person, place, or thing.