



Today: Causes,
Triggers, Events,
and Results

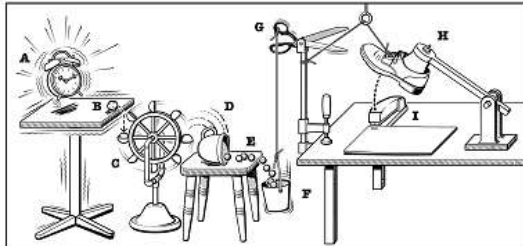
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'BIG PICTURE' HISTORY REVIEW



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Have you ever
watched a
Rube Goldberg
Machine
in action?

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EVENTS, & RESULTS

HISTORICAL EVENTS



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OK Go – “This Too Shall Pass” (Official Video)
This is a large, elaborate, musical Rube Goldberg Machine

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SAMPLE EVENT: YOU HAVE A MOMMY MELTDOWN



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IT PROBABLY HAD MULTIPLE CAUSES...

- Causes are in place prior to Event
- Causes are ongoing (at least in terms of impact) – days, weeks, months, or years
- Causes may interact in complex / unexpected ways



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THEN, ONE DAY, SOMETHING TRIGGERS THE EVENT

The Trigger is a one-time event (little 'e') which "ignites" the various Causes and leads more-or-less immediately to the Event (big 'E').



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THE EVENT: (THE MOMMY MELTDOWN)



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MOST EVENTS HAVE MULTIPLE RESULTS OF VARIOUS SORTS...

- Results come after and as a consequence (direct or indirect) of the Event
- Results are ongoing (at least in terms of impact) – days, weeks, months, or years
- Results may interact in complex / unexpected ways



(We tend to oversimplify things in history out of necessity. In reality, Causes / Results are rarely $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow D$)

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THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (1776-1783)

Enlightenment
Ideals

“Salutary
Neglect”

“No Taxation w/o
Representation”

The
Intolerable
Acts

Boston
Massacre

Thomas Paine’s
“Common Sense”



← **Causes**

The Trigger →



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THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (1776-1783)



← **The Trigger**



The Event
(The American Revolution)

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THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (1776-1783)

The Event
(The American Revolution)

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Results

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American Independence

New Type of Government (A 'Republic')

New Taxes → Shays' Rebellion

40,000 – 45,000 Deaths

Hostility Towards Great Britain

Articles of Confederation

G. Washington = HERO

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Thoughts / Questions?

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