

# 1. How does Kafka ensure the order of 2 messages: Order Created -> Payment Success?

- Fire it into the same topic.
- Offset to show the order of the message in the same partition.

i mean when we fire 2 message: order created -> payment success -  
> so how we know to process order created first, and payment success later

Ahh now I get you 👍 — you're asking about a **causal sequence of events** (e.g. *Order Created* → *Payment Success*), and how Kafka makes sure you don't process *Payment Success* before *Order Created*.

This is a **classic ordering problem** in event-driven systems. Let's break it down:

## 🔑 The Key Insight

Kafka only guarantees **ordering within a partition**.

So if you need strict ordering between related events (*order-created* must always come before *payment-success* for the same order), then **those events must go to the same partition**.

## 🔧 How to Ensure This

### 1. Use a partition key (like `orderId` )

- Producer always sends all events for the same order with the same `orderId` key.
- Kafka's partitioner ensures they all land in the **same partition**.
- Within that partition, Kafka guarantees strict ordering.

Example:

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Partition 1:
offset=0 → OrderCreated(orderId=123)
offset=1 → PaymentSuccess(orderId=123)
```

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When your consumer reads Partition 1, it will always see **OrderCreated** before **PaymentSuccess**.