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Grammar Worksheet

Compound Words

When two or more separate words join to form a new word, that word is called a compound word.

Three types of compound words

1. Closed. Example butterfly. (There is no space between the joined words)
2. Hyphenated. Mother-in-law (the words are joined with a hyphen)
3. Open. Living room (the words are joined with a space)

Our focus will be on closed compound words.

Exercise 1

Circle the compound words below

somewhere

school

new words

thereafter

leisure

easygoing

mattock

relic

sometimes

different

cupcake

fudge

vision

keyboard

compost

basketball

pirate

birthday

grandmother

today

tortoise

lipstick

Exercise 2

Read the following compound words and sort the words in the table below.

Toothbrush Toothpaste Goldfish Handbag Handsome Wheelchair Sandpaper
Birdhouse Hotdog Basketball Snowball Jellyfish Raincoat Earring Catfish
Starfish Rainbow Keychain Armchair Sunflower Dragonfly Strawberries
Pancake Pineapple Skateboard Rattlesnake Milkshake Popcorn Sunglasses
Cowboy Earthworm Firefighter Baseball Silkworm Seahorse Mailbox

Animal	Food	Thing	Person