

Y1 Compound Words

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1. Worked example

Join 'tooth' and 'brush'

Step 1 · Write the first word

tooth

Step 2 · Write the second word straight after, with no gap

toothbrush

Answer: toothbrush

Check: The meaning comes from both parts: a brush for your teeth.

2. Now try one with the steps

Split 'farmyard' into two words

Step 1 · Look for a small word you know at the start

Step 2 · What is left?

Answer:

3. Practice

Have a go at each one. There is space underneath to work it out.

1. Join the two words: sun + flower

2. Join the two words: snow + man

3. Join the two words: bed + room

4. Split into two words: football

5. Split into two words: playground

6. Split into two words: blackberry

7. How many syllables are in 'cat'?

8. How many syllables are in 'pocket'?

9. How many syllables are in 'elephant'?

10. Which of these is a compound word: carrot, rainbow, sister?

11. Make a compound word that starts with 'tea'.

12. Split 'sunset' into syllables.

13. Write a sentence that uses two compound words.

4. Before you hand it in

Writing 'foot ball' with a space.

No gap: football.

Thinking any long word is a compound word, like 'carrot' (car + rot).

Ask: does the meaning come from the two parts? A rainbow is a bow shape you see when it rains. Yes!

Clapping every letter instead of every beat.

Put your hand under your chin. Each time your chin drops, that is one syllable.