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Compound Nouns

Activity 01

Join the words in the first two columns of the table and make a new word.

Cup	Cake	Cupcake
wheel	chair	
arm		
foot	ball	Normal physical physical and a sea and a sequential to a
basket		

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*We can make new English nouns by adding two or more nouns. These new words are called **compound nouns**. You have already made some compound nouns in the above table. Here are some more examples.

ice + cream = ice-cream cup + board = cupboard

time + table = timetable butter + fly =

butterfly black + board = blackboard

First part: type or purpose	Second part: what or who	Compound noun
police	man	policeman
time	table	time table
water	tank	water tank
dining	table	dining-table

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Compound nouns are formed in various ways.



Compound elements	Examples
noun + noun	bedroom water tank motorcycle printer cartridge
noun + verb	rainfall haircut train-spotting
noun + adverb	hanger-on passer-by
verb + noun	washing machine driving licence swimming pool
verb + adverb	lookout take-off drawback
adverb + noun	onlooker bystander

Compound elements	Examples
adjective + verb	dry-cleaning public speaking
adjective + noun	greenhouse software redhead
adverb + verb	output overthrow upturn input

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Activity 02

Match A with B to make a compound word. Name the pictures given using them. One is done for you.

A	В	A	В
news	board	lips	print
butter	bow	foot	flower
sea	paper	sun	lights
key	spoon	water	stick
table	fly	traffic	melon
rain	shell		
seashell			• •••

Good Job! Now you know what compound nouns are.

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Activity 03

Use the words you made in Activity 2 and fill in the blanks of the given sentences. The first one is done for you.

Imashi's hobby is collecting seashells.

1.	Vehicles slow at the
2.	My grandfather reads theeveryday.
3.	Look! There is a beautiful on the flower.
4.	My brother's favorite fruit is
5.	You can't type anything. The is not working.
6.	A has seven colours.
7.	I don't like too much sugar. Oneis enough for my tea.
8.	Theis a big, yellow flower.

10. The hikers saw a..... of an elephant on the sand and changed the route.

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Well done!

Now you can make compound nouns. You can use them in sentences too.

9. My mother applied red to match her dress.

Try to complete Activity 8 and 9 in page 94 and 95 in your Pupil's book.

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