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Compound Words

Compound words are made up of two smaller words joined together.

For example:

foot + ball = football



Write the compound words made from the word sums below.

rain + coat black + bird sun + light key + hole
snow + man hedge + hog play + time butter + fly

Write a sentence for each of the new words you have made.

Copy out and complete the following sentences.
Choose the best word from the list below to make up the compound words.

man black snow bow cot
gull milk shine bull bird

1. The painting was all the colours of the rain.....
2. The little lady..... was red and black.
3. The children played out in the sun.....
4. The post..... brings the letters to the house.
5. Theman brings milk to the house.
6. The sea..... swooped down over the beach.
7. The baby was asleep in the carry.....
8. The car was buried under adrift.
9. Thedog had very sharp teeth.
10. The children were pickingberries.

Make a list of as many compound words as you can think of.

Adverbs

Adverbs tell us more about *verbs*. Many adverbs tell us **how** something was done.

For example: The boy *ran* home **quickly**.

The adverb **quickly** tells us how the boy *ran* (*ran* is a *verb*). Many **adverbs** end in **ly**.

Copy out and complete the following sentences. Choose the most suitable adverb from the list below.

swiftly quietly cheerfully noisily peacefully
fiercely shyly suddenly angrily brightly

1. The baby slept _____ in his pram.
2. The wind howled _____ through the trees.
3. The boy sat _____ reading his book.
4. The sun shone _____ through the window.
5. The fish darted _____ into the shadows.
6. The girl smiled _____ at her new boyfriend.
7. The man shouted _____ at the children.
8. The boy whistled _____ as he did his paper round.
9. The dog leaped out _____ from behind some bushes.
10. The dog barked _____ at the boy.



ONE

Write sentences describing *how* the couple danced, *how* the pianist played the piano and *how* the violinist fiddled.

TWO

Make a series of funny drawings showing people *doing* things. Then write a sentence for each of your pictures describing *how* they are behaving. You will be using VERBS and ADVERBS.



Prepositions I

A **preposition** expresses a relationship between two parts of a sentence. It tells us the **position** of one thing in relation to another.

For example: The boy climbed **up** the tree. The girl fell **down** the stairs.

Simple prepositions consist of only one word. Simple prepositions include:

at	of	across	from	inside	into	off
on	out	round	through	to	with	in

Copy out and complete the following sentences using a preposition from the list above.

1. The dog ran the road.
2. They went the house.
3. The teacher put the books the desk.
4. The man lifted the cover the drain.
5. Last summer we went the seaside.
6. The train arrived three o'clock.
7. The boy ran the corner.
8. You shouldn't mess about electricity.
9. The train went the tunnel.
10. He asked for a glass water.
11. The life guard dived the water.
12. He pulled the struggling child the water.
13. The children went to play in the playground.
14. The baby slept peacefully his cot.

Write a sentence for each of the following prepositions.

about	after	before	behind	by	during
for	onto	over	under	since	toward



Word Classes 3 - Determiners

Words are classified according to their function in a sentence. The main word classes are **noun, verb, adjective, adverb, pronoun, determiner, preposition** and **conjunction**.

In old grammar books these **word classes** are called **parts of speech**.

Determiners are used with nouns and they determine or limit the reference of the noun.

For example: **the** cat, **that** boy, **my** dog, **some** people, **one** car, **which** colour

Determiners include:

articles	a, an, the
demonstratives	this, that, these, those
possessives	my, your, his, her, its, our, their
quantifiers	some, any, no, many, much, most, few, little, both, all, either, neither, each, every, enough
numbers	two, twenty, three hundred, etc
some question words	which, what, whose

These words are used as **determiners** when they are **followed by a noun**.

For example: **That** bag is mine.
Would you like **some** chocolate?
Which colour do you prefer?

Many determiners can also be used as **pronouns**. These include the demonstratives, numbers, question words and most quantifiers. When used as **pronouns** these words are **not** followed by a noun.

For example: **That** is mine.
Would you like **some**?
Which do you prefer?

A. Underline all the nouns and determiners in each of the following sentences.

1. An apple a day keeps the doctor away.
2. This hat is mine. That hat is yours.
3. My bag is here. Your bag is over there.
4. Our house is bigger than yours.
5. Their car is green. Our car is blue.
6. Some people don't have any manners.
7. Many people who work in London use the buses.
8. Neither child knew the way home.
9. Enough parents turned up to make the meeting worthwhile.
10. Two cars crashed outside our school yesterday.
11. Which cake did you say you wanted?
12. Whose coat is that on the back of the chair?

B. Write twenty sentences of your own containing nouns and determiners. Underline all the nouns and determiners in your sentences.



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