A compound word is made up of two words that together to make a new word.

Machu Picchu

Identifying compound words

Match a word from Mountain A to a word from Mountain B to form a new compound word. Use each word only once.

Example
backyard

Mountain A

butter	class	drive	back
flash	eye	fire	camp
down	cup	hair	every
neck	air	foot	basket
drug	day	cross	grand

Mountain B

store	cup	brow	yard
light	day	walk	board
ball	room	fire	dreams
stairs	way	port	father
lace	print	brush	fighter

Challenge your child to search around the home for examples of compound words. Have him make a list of his findings. Encourage your child to include parts of the home (such as *bedroom* or *doorway*), pieces of furniture (such as *bookshelf* or *stepstool*), foods in the cupboard (such as *peanuts* or *cupcakes*), and miscellaneous items (such as *flashlight* or *dustpan*). Your child will be delighted with all the compounds he finds!