

Really Good Stuff® Activity Guide

Compound Word Addition

Congratulations on your purchase of **Really Good Literacy Center-in-a-Bag™ Compound Word Addition**— a fun, educational, center game that reinforces the concept of compound words for your students by “adding” words together .

Objective

The student will form compound words.

This Really Good Stuff® product includes:

- 48 Really Good Learning Deck Cards™
- 2 Dry Erase Practice Mats
- Center Task Card
- This Really Good Stuff® Activity Guide

Students analyze and make compound words in this center activity. Compound word study is important for building spelling and vocabulary skills.

Introducing Compound Word Addition

Before using **Compound Word Addition** at a center, explore compound words with your students. Have them help you decode compounds by breaking them into two words. Ask open-ended questions, for example: “Who can tell me what a *mailbox* is? What two small words are added together to make *mailbox*?” Then, analyze how the two smaller words, *mail* and *box*, work together to create the meaning of the compound.

Look at some of the compound words depicted in the *Learning Deck Cards™* with the group. Write one of the words and ask a volunteer to draw a line between the two words that form the compound. Introduce students to the *Practice Mats*, and create an addition problem using this format: *mailbox = mail + box*. Demonstrate finding the picture on one of the *Compound Word Addition Worksheet Reproducibles* and filling in the addition problem next to its picture.

Building Word-attack Skills

The study of compound words makes longer words more accessible and helps bridge the gap between single and polysyllabic word study. Through learning how the meaning of each morpheme contributes to the meaning of the compound word, students develop an important word-attack strategy, increase their word-building skills, build vocabulary, reinforce spelling skills, and develop reading fluency.

Meeting State Standards

This type of practice in compound word building helps students meet grade-level expectations and prepare for standardized testing. **Compound Word Addition** can also help make students better readers.

Compound Word Addition

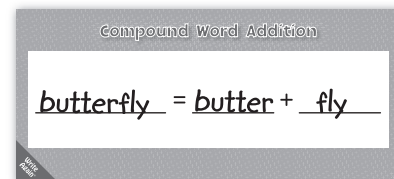
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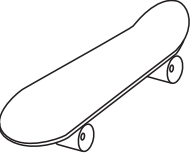



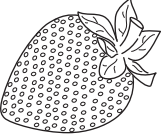


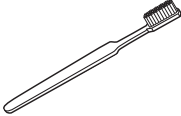
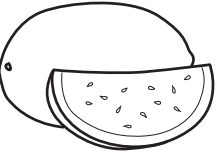

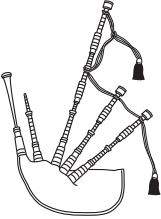
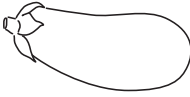
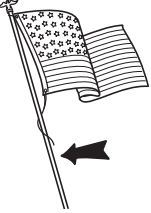



Object: To make compound words





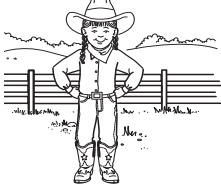

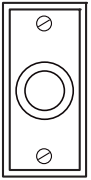


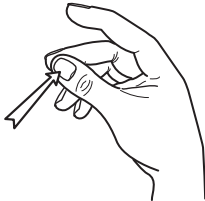

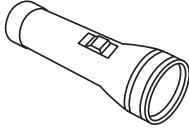

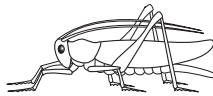
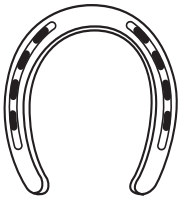
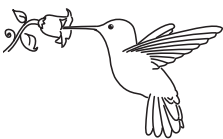
Materials: Learning Deck Cards, Practice Mats, Compound Word Addition Worksheet Reproducibles for the selected Cards, dry erase pen, pencil, Center Task Card


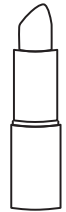


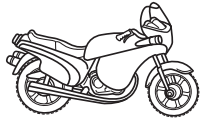



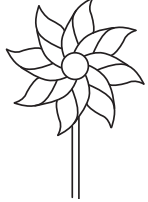
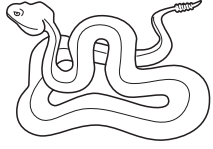
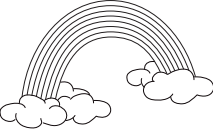


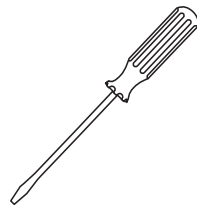
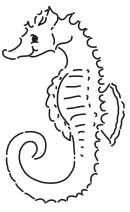

1. Take a Practice Mat, a worksheet, a dry erase pen, and a pencil.
2. Place the picture Cards in a stack face down.
3. Draw a Card and say the compound word. Write the word before the equals sign on the Practice Mat.
4. What two smaller words add up to make the compound word? Write the smaller words before and after the plus sign.
5. Record the compound word next to its picture on the worksheet. Record the two smaller words in the equation.
6. Continue adding up compound words and recording them.
7. Have someone check your work.

For two or more students, take turns.



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