

Compound Words

2nd Grade

Two whole words joined to make a third.

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sun + flower = sunflower

rain + bow

rainbow

Both halves are real words on their own.

butter + fly

butterfly

The meaning is not always the two halves added up.

foot + ball

football

Here it is — a ball you kick with your foot.

some + thing

something

Very common ones stop feeling like compounds at all.

Cover one half. If what is left is a real word, it is a compound.