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Compound Words

Focus

Compound words are words formed by combining two or more smaller words. If you know the smaller words' meanings, you can often figure out the meaning of the compound. For example, *sandpaper* is paper that has been coated with sand.

Practice

Each sentence below contains a compound word. Circle the compound, and then write the two smaller words that it contains on the lines.

1. The snowplow took an indirect route through the neighborhood as it cleared the streets.

2. Coach Anson took notes on his clipboard during today's practice.

3. A salesperson greeted the Yangs as soon as they entered the store.

4. I wear this turtleneck infrequently, because it feels tight on my throat.

5. Tryouts for gymnastics begin at the end of this month.
