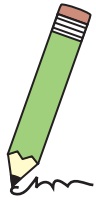


## Answer Sheet

# Creating Compound Words



A **compound word** is made up of two words that combine to make one word.

after + math → aftermath

Food prices increased in the aftermath of the drought.

Directions: Write the two words that make up each compound word on the blank lines.

						Word bank	
blockbuster	<u>block</u>	+	<u>buster</u>	freshwater	<u>fresh</u>	+	<u>water</u>
eyesore	<u>eye</u>	+	<u>sore</u>	gatekeeper	<u>gate</u>	+	<u>keeper</u>
deathbed	<u>death</u>	+	<u>bed</u>	homestretch	<u>home</u>	+	<u>stretch</u>
drawbridge	<u>draw</u>	+	<u>bridge</u>	outbreak	<u>out</u>	+	<u>break</u>
greenhouse	<u>green</u>	+	<u>house</u>	superhuman	<u>super</u>	+	<u>human</u>

Directions: Use context clues to choose the best compound word to complete each sentence.

- Movie critics predict that the new animated film is going to be a blockbuster.
- At least one gatekeeper is standing guard at Pedro's Palace at all times.
- There are freshwater fish in Lake Lulu.
- Doctors noticed a sudden rise in smallpox. As a result of the outbreak of this disease, townspeople were scared for their lives and their loved ones.
- My mom moved a heavy dresser into our house. She has superhuman strength!
- A greenhouse is a type of structure that is used to grow vegetables and flowers.
- The rundown shack in our neighborhood is a real eyesore.
- The crowd cheered loudly as the racehorses raced around the final turn and into the homestretch, the section right before the finish line.
- The drawbridge at the front of the medieval castle can be raised or brought down in order to protect the castle from being attacked.
- Just hours before Mr. Jenkins passed away, we visited him on his deathbed and told him how much we'd miss playing cards with him.