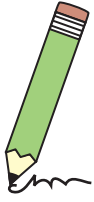


# Creating Compound Words



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	_____ block _____ + _____ buster _____	freshwater	_____ + _____
eyesore	_____ + _____	gatekeeper	_____ + _____
deathbed	_____ + _____	homestretch	_____ + _____
drawbridge	_____ + _____	outbreak	_____ + _____
greenhouse	_____ + _____	superhuman	_____ + _____

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

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