

# Uncommitted Compounds: together or separately?

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✳ **1. What part of speech is: *workout, startup and breakout*?**

- A) verb
- B) adverb
- C) noun

✳ **2. Check this out: A *closeout* vs to *close something out***

A closeout an occasion when the price of goods in a shop or factory is reduced so they can be sold quickly.

To close out is to to complete something by doing the last thing that is needed or possible

✳ **3. Using the information above, put the right word in the blank space:**

- A) They ..... 2003 by winning three of their final five games
- B) Specifically, outlets used to be places where retailers and manufacturers disposed of ..... and past-season goods

✳ **4. Check this out: A *rip-off* vs to *rip off someone***

A rip-off is something that is not worth what you pay for it

To rip off someone/something is to cheat someone by charging too much money, or to steal something

✳ **5. Using the information above, put the right word (careful with the forms!) in the blank space:**

- A) Some designer label clothes are just expensive .....
- B) Some accuse the company of ..... the programming language from its competitor

Many phrasal verbs can become nouns. For example, you can "start up" a company (phrasal verb) or work in a "start-up" (phrasal noun) – a small company.

When a phrasal verb becomes a phrasal noun, sometimes the verb comes first, like "start-up"; and sometimes the preposition comes first, such as "outbreak".

To show that it's a noun, you can either put a hyphen between the noun and the preposition ("start-up") or write it as one word ("startup").

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### \* **6. Check this out: A meet-up vs to meet up**

A meet-up is an informal meeting or gathering.

To meet up is to see another person or group in order to discuss something

### \* **7. Using the information above, put the right word in the blank space:**

A) The Retail Congress gives people a chance to ..... with retailers from other parts of the world.

B) For the health and safety of student communities, we're advising that all ..... be hosted online in the coming weeks

### \* **8. Check this out: A kick-off vs to kick off**

A kick-off is the time when an activity starts

To kick off - start, begin, commence, also: the time when a game of football starts, or when it begins again after it has stopped because of a goal, etc.

### \* **9. Using the information above, put the right word in the blank space:**

A) ..... have been delayed by 20 minutes, and there is utter confusion on television, the radio and in newspapers about ..... times

B) The three-day celebration ..... tomorrow with a parade.



\* **A jelly bean is neither jelly nor a bean.**

\* **A chickpea is neither a chick nor a pea.**

\* **A butterfly is neither butter nor a fly.**

\* **A shuttlecock is neither a shuttle nor a cock.**

\* **A hi-hat is neither a greeting nor a hat.**

\* **A peanut is neither a pea nor a nut.**



#### Key:

1.C

3. A- close out, B - closeout

5. A - rip-offs B - ripping off

7. A meet up, B meet-ups

9 A - kick-offs, kick-off

B- kicks off