

# COMPOUND NOUNS

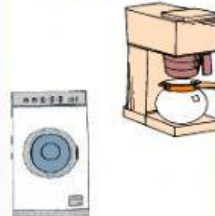
♥ A compound noun is an expression which is made up of more than one word and functions as a noun

♥ They are frequently combinations of two nouns, e.g. ADDRESS BOOK  
BUS STOP  
ALARM CLOCK



Match the words to make compound nouns.

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| 1  | coffee     | <i>maker</i> |
| 2  | traffic    | _____        |
| 3  | car        | _____        |
| 4  | mobile     | _____        |
| 5  | alarm      | _____        |
| 6  | washing    | _____        |
| 7  | computer   | _____        |
| 8  | pop        | _____        |
| 9  | golf       | _____        |
| 10 | heart      | _____        |
| 11 | art        | _____        |
| 12 | blood      | _____        |
| 13 | contact    | _____        |
| 14 | windscreen | _____        |
| 15 | youth      | _____        |
| 16 | junk       | _____        |
| 17 | pocket     | _____        |
| 18 | generation | _____        |
| 19 | death      | _____        |
| 20 | hay        | _____        |
| 21 | tin        | _____        |
| 22 | mother     | _____        |
| 23 | science    | _____        |
| 24 | pedestrian | _____        |
| 25 | box        | _____        |



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| ▶ | clock    |
| ▶ | hostel   |
| ▶ | gallery  |
| ▶ | office   |
| ▶ | jam      |
| ▶ | penalty  |
| ▶ | attack   |
| ▶ | wiper    |
| ▶ | fiction  |
| ▶ | food     |
| ▶ | star     |
| ▶ | fever    |
| ▶ | maker    |
| ▶ | gap      |
| ▶ | phone    |
| ▶ | crossing |
| ▶ | machine  |
| ▶ | course   |
| ▶ | opener   |
| ▶ | donor    |
| ▶ | money    |
| ▶ | park     |
| ▶ | tongue   |
| ▶ | lens     |
| ▶ | chip     |



**Complete the sentences with the correct compound nouns.**

- My \_\_\_\_\_ is broken. How about a cup of tea?
- Modern machines have got brains. They're called \_\_\_\_\_.
- Look at my jeans - they're really dirty. I'll put them in the \_\_\_\_\_.
- I'm late because there was a terrible \_\_\_\_\_ in the centre of the town.
- Go to the \_\_\_\_\_ and buy the tickets for Madonna's concert.
- My \_\_\_\_\_ didn't ring this morning and I didn't wake up until 9.30.
- She knows that \_\_\_\_\_ is not good for her health, but it is quick and easy to prepare.
- His eyesight is very poor. He can't see a thing without his \_\_\_\_\_.
- I want to eat some tuna. Do you know where the \_\_\_\_\_ is?
- My husband and I agreed to give our daughter £6 a week \_\_\_\_\_.
- If you are in general good health, there's a good chance you've got what it takes to be a volunteer \_\_\_\_\_.
- There is a huge \_\_\_\_\_ between my father and me. He doesn't understand me at all.
- My brother loves \_\_\_\_\_, but I prefer true stories about the present or the past.
- We didn't have enough money for a room in a hotel, so we decided to stay in a cheap \_\_\_\_\_.
- Beyoncé's voice is beautiful. She is one of the most popular \_\_\_\_\_ in the world.
- We are looking for a qualified English \_\_\_\_\_ teacher to teach adults.
- The whole class went to the \_\_\_\_\_ to see the exhibition of the most famous paintings from all over the world.
- As soon as it stopped raining I turned the \_\_\_\_\_ off.
- He'll have a \_\_\_\_\_ if I tell him he's fired.
- My brother suffers from a severe case of \_\_\_\_\_. He always has a runny nose in the early summer.



**Think of some more compound nouns and make your own sentences.**

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