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2E Word Skills

Compounds

I can use a variety of compounds.

1 Complete the compounds with the words below.

break crack hand last lift strong tax tip twenty warm

1 _____-hearted
2 _____-free
3 _____-off
4 _____-made
5 _____-minute
6 _____-off
7 _____-down
8 _____-storey
9 _____-willed
10 _____-down

2 Complete the compounds in the mini-dialogues.

Mandy Greg's a very _____[1]-going person. He never gets angry at anyone.
Josh Yes, and he's very broad-_____[2] too. He doesn't have any prejudices.

Ricky Is that book good?
Seth Well, it's a _____[3] selling novel by an award-_____[4] writer, but I don't like it much. It's full of never-_____[5] descriptions that go on and on. I prefer a book with more action.

Man This machine is very _____[6]-friendly.
Woman Yes – you don't need to read the 300-_____[7] guide that came with it to work it out.

3 Complete the sentences. Use the verbs below and a suitable preposition to make compound nouns.

break check make rip take warm

1 Megan's left her boyfriend. He's very upset about the _____.
2 We were standing at the _____ desk when the flight was cancelled.
3 Do a _____ before you go for a run, or you'll hurt yourself.
4 The electrician was only here for five minutes, but he tried to charge me £200. What a _____!
5 There's nothing in the fridge, so let's get some _____ food on the way home.
6 The actress is still in the dressing room, putting on her _____.



4 Complete the compounds in the text with the words below.

award educated made respected three-minute well world worldwide

FAMOUS HOAXES

In 1912, an archaeologist called Charles Dawson presented some human-like bones at a meeting of the _____[1]-famous Royal Geological Society, in London. He claimed they were a fossil from Piltdown, England. Highly _____[2] scientists examined the bones, and decided that they belonged to a new species – an ancient ancestor of humans. But in fact, the fossil was a hoax. Dawson had made it out of modern human and orang-utan bones.

In April 1957 many people watched a _____[3] report on British TV about how spaghetti was 'grown' on a farm in Switzerland. It was broadcast on the _____[4]-winning BBC *Panorama* programme, and was very believable. Spaghetti wasn't a _____[5]-known food in Britain at the time, so many people believed the report. But it was broadcast on 1 April – April Fool's Day!

The tree octopus, which lives in the north-west United States has a _____[6] internet following, and there are campaigns to save this 'endangered creature'. You can watch well-_____[7] videos about the tree octopus, and read all about it. The information is good enough to fool well-_____[8] people, but it's just a joke. All octopus species live in the sea.

VOCAB BOOST!
A hyphen can indicate that two words form a compound adjective and are not unrelated words. The hyphen can change the meaning of the sentence.

5 Read the *Vocab Boost!* box What is the difference between sentences A and B? Complete the sentence which follows with the sentences below.

But we don't know who many undercover agents are.
Do I have to pay for it? He's very famous.
His meal looked delicious. I think it was a shark.
I don't want to buy beauty products with aluminium in them.

1 **A** I saw a man eating fish. _____
B I saw a man-eating fish. _____
2 **A** Is this aluminium free? _____
B Is this aluminium-free? _____
3 **A** Donnie Brasco is one of the best-known undercover agents. _____
B Donnie Brasco is one of the best known undercover agents. _____

LIVEWORKSHEETS