

# APC English 2

# compound nouns

nouns

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- nouns can be more than one word
- for example:
  - break + fast = breakfast
  - sunflower
  - football
  - swimming pool
  - ice cream
  - classroom
  - peanut butter
  - hot dog
  - living room

## types of compound nouns

Compound elements	
noun + noun	bedroom water tank motorcycle printer cartridge
noun + verb	rainfall haircut train-spotting
noun + adverb	hanger-on passer-by
verb + noun	washing machine driving licence swimming pool
verb + adverb	lookout take-off drawback
adverb + noun	onlooker bystander
adjective + verb	dry-cleaning public speaking
adjective + noun	greenhouse software redhead
adverb + verb	output overthrow upturn input

## compound nouns

try these simple examples:

1. birth \_ \_ \_
2. \_ \_ \_ plane
3. base \_ \_ \_ \_
4. s \_ \_ food
5. \_ \_ \_ \_ coat
6. cup \_ \_ \_ \_

## compound nouns

try these simple examples:

1. birth day
2. air plane
3. base ball
4. sea food
5. over coat
6. cup cake

# exercise #1

## compound nouns

match these simple examples to form compound nouns:

- |            |            |
|------------|------------|
| 1. box     | a) agent   |
| 2. bus     | b) driver  |
| 3. film    | c) fiction |
| 4. income  | d) jam     |
| 5. mother  | e) office  |
| 6. science | f) star    |
| 7. traffic | g) tax     |
| 8. travel  | h) tongue  |



## compound nouns

**Box \_\_\_\_\_**: The place where tickets for movies are sold.

**Bus \_\_\_\_\_**: A person who drives a bus.

**Film \_\_\_\_\_**: An actor or actress who is famous for their roles in movies.

**Income \_\_\_\_\_**: A percentage of a person's wages or salary that is paid to the government.

**Mother \_\_\_\_\_**: The first language a person learns, spoken by parents and used at home.

**Science \_\_\_\_\_**: A type of book or film based on or related to science, that is not based on facts.

**Traffic \_\_\_\_\_**: A situation where a large number of vehicles are unable to move freely on a road, normally causing delays.

**Travel \_\_\_\_\_**: A person or business that helps plan and arrange travel, including booking flights and hotels.

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8. travel    a) agent

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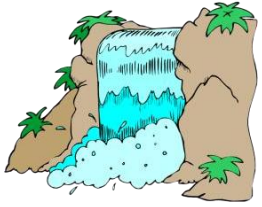
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# exercise #2



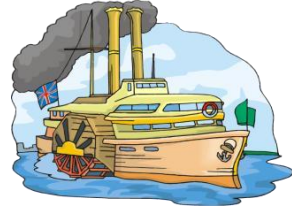
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.....fall?



People use a  
....brush to clean their teeth.



David works as a  
.....guard at the beach.



A **steam**ship has got a  
paddle wheel on its side.



There aren't any houses near the  
.....house.



Mum, shall we buy a ...fish from the  
petshop?



My parents like having dinner  
under the ...light.



The man is running  
... stairs because he is late.

	<del>over</del>	<del>steam</del>	
light	police	sewing	moon
gold	tooth	sky	down
	water	under	life

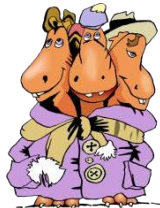


The ...man is riding his horse  
in the city centre.

Read the sentences and fill in the blanks with the correct words from the box.



Which one do you prefer?  
ground or taxi?



These three horses have got  
only one **over**coat.

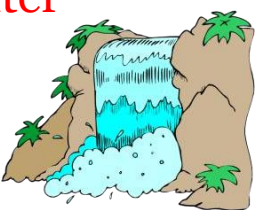


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moon



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down



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- waterfall
- steamship
- toothbrush
- lighthouse
- lifeguard
- goldfish
- moonlight

police



The ... man is riding his horse in the city centre.

- downstairs
- policeman
- underground
- sewing machine
- overcoat
- skyscraper

under



Which one do you prefer? ... ground or taxi?

over



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sky



Look! The .....scrapers in the middle is on fire.

sewing



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## compound nouns

- **Toothbrush:** A small brush used for cleaning teeth.
- **Policeman:** A male police officer.
- **Moonlight:** The light from the moon.
- **Overcoat:** A heavy coat worn over regular clothing for warmth.
- **Skyscraper:** A very tall building with many floors.
- **Goldfish:** A small fish often kept as a pet that is gold colored.
- **Downstairs:** The lower floor in a building, opposite of upstairs.
- **Underground:** under the surface or the subway system.
- **Waterfall:** A natural shower of water falling from a height.
- **Lifeguard:** A person trained to ensure the safety of swimmers at a beach or pool.
- **Steamship:** A ship powered by steam engines.
- **Lighthouse:** A tall tower with a light at the top, located at coastlines to guide ships.
- **Sewing Machine:** A device used for stitching fabric together.

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# speaking / pronunciation practice



## nouns - initial stress (normally)

- table
- dog
- book
- car
- house
- glass
- river
- phone
- chair
- coffee

## beginning

1. happy
2. table
3. computer
4. picture
5. elephant
6. umbrella
7. guitar
8. banana
9. doctor
10. piano

She is always **happy** when she sees her friends.

Please set the dinner **table** for our guests.

The **computer** is on the desk, ready for use.

I have a beautiful **picture** of the sunset on my wall.

The zoo has a new baby **elephant** on display.

Don't forget to bring an **umbrella**.

He plays the **guitar** in a local band.

She ate a **banana** for breakfast.

The **doctor** will see you now.

She practiced the **piano** for hours before the show.

## compound nouns - initial stress (normally)

- classmate
- homework
- football
- bathroom
- website
- keyboard
- arm chair
- gold fish
- reading test
- due date

nouns - ending stress (rare)

- hotel
- extreme
- concise

## adjectives - initial stress

- happy
- big
- large
- funny
- busy
- noisy
- tasty
- cold
- heavy
- bright

verbs (and prepositions) - end stress (normally)

- become
- provide
- aside
- above
- between

## ending

1. about Tell me what you learned **about** the project.
2. forget Please don't **forget** to pick up some milk on your way home.
3. arrive They will **arrive** at the airport at 3 pm.
4. delay There was a **delay** in the train schedule.
5. describe Can you **describe** the painting in detail?
6. advice I need some **advice** on choosing a new laptop.
7. expand The balloon will **expand** when it is blown up.
8. include The package will **include** a variety of snacks.
9. relax Take a moment to **relax** and enjoy the sunshine.
10. recall I can't **recall** where I put my keys.

noun + adjectives - stress on noun

- a long walk
- a good grade
- a short speech
- a clear voice
- a hard quiz
- some organized notes
- a confident speaker
- an interesting person



including numbers - stress on number

- example 1
- say the number 2
- exercise 3
- My class had 40 students
- I have reached level 5
- We can buy 6 oranges

## compound nouns - initial stress

- seaweed
- greenhouse
- Sat Nav
- supermarket
- seatbelt
- blackbird

compound verbs - end stress

- understand
- overbook
- overflow

compound adjectives - initial stress of second word

- big-headed
- old-fashioned
- tight-fisted
- bad-tempered

3 syllables with -er or -ly - initial stress

- or-der-ly
- qui-te-ly
- ma-na-ger

other stresses

Words ending in “ic,” “sion” and “tion”

- creation
- commision
- photographic

## other stresses

Words ending in “cy,” “ty,” “phy,” “gy” and “al”

- democracy
- photograph
- logical
- comomodity
- psychology

Some words in English can be both a noun and a verb

- record attendance
- Christmas present
- rebel
- record a song
- present my work
- rebel



# listening practice

## Cupid

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_i5UL7LqkuA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_i5UL7LqkuA)

Listen to the song and answer the following questions.

Select a, b or c

1. Cupid draw back your \_\_\_\_\_

a. bow      b. boat      c bowl

2. and let your arrow \_\_\_\_\_

a. throw      b. flow      c blow

3. straight to my lovers' \_\_\_\_\_ for me,

a. heart      b. harp      c heat

4. Cupid please hear my cry and let \_\_\_\_\_ fly

a. your marrow      b. pure arrow      c your arrow

5. Straight \_\_\_\_\_ my lover's heart, for me

a. through      b. two      c to

6. I don't want to bother you, but I'm \_\_\_\_\_

a. in this dress      b. in distress      c in distrust

7. There's danger of \_\_\_\_\_ all my happiness

a. meal using      b. me losing      c me using

8. for I love a man who doesn't know I \_\_\_\_\_

a. exits      b. eggs is      c exist

9. and this \_\_\_\_\_ fix

a. shoes can't      b. you can      c you can't

## lyrics

Cupid, draw back your bow  
And let your arrow flow  
Straight to my lover's heart for me  
Nobody but me  
Cupid, please hear my cry  
And let your arrow fly  
Straight to my lover's heart for me

I don't want to bother you  
But I'm in distress  
There's danger of me losin' all my happiness  
For I love a man who doesn't know I exist  
And this you can fix, so

Cupid, draw back your bow  
And let your arrow flow  
Straight to my lover's heart for me  
Nobody but me  
Cupid, please hear my cry  
And let your arrow fly  
Straight to my lover's heart for me

Now if your arrow makes his love strong for me  
I swear I'm going to love him 'til eternity  
I know that, 'tween the both of us, his heart we  
can steal  
Cupid, help me if you will, so

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# exercise #3

order these sentence whilst completing the compound nouns

1. Kevin / Houston / guard / played / . / movie / a / Whitney / body / in / a / Costner / with

2. was / Shergar / a / horse / famous / 1980s / . / in / race / the

3. the / outside / found / foot / a / house / large / . / print / police / the / victim's

4. my / like / has / and / a / new / ! / style / hair / really / mother / I / it

5. lost / I / can't / phones / . / music / listen / to / head / my / because / I / my

6. there / coast / very / house / . / is / a / light / dangerous / the / is / because

7. it / light / was / enough / . / night / see / was / but / there / moon / to

8. will / put / burn / this / your / better / . / cream / on / tomorrow / sun / and / it / be

**Answer:** Kevin Costner played a **bodyguard** in a movie with Whitney Houston.

1. Shergar was a famous **racehorse** in the 1980s.
2. Kevin Costner played a **bodyguard** in a movie with Whitney Houston.
3. The police found a large **footprint** outside the victim's house.
4. My mother has a new **hairstyle** and I really like it!
5. I can't listen to my music because I lost my **headphones**.
6. There is a **lighthouse** because the coast is very dangerous.
7. It was night but there was enough **moonlight** to see.
8. Put this cream on your **sunburn** and it will be better tomorrow.

# exercise #4



use the words in the box to fill the blanks to form compound nouns

road flood news head jelly ~~coat~~ dead bow  
sky check key chair lid ~~math~~ fly

First Word + Second Word

1. \_\_\_\_\_ + board

2. after + math

3. \_\_\_\_\_ + fish

4. \_\_\_\_\_ + scraper

5. eye + \_\_\_\_\_

6. fire + \_\_\_\_\_

7. \_\_\_\_\_ + light

8. \_\_\_\_\_ + up

9. \_\_\_\_\_ + paper

10. over + coat

11. rain + \_\_\_\_\_

12. \_\_\_\_\_ + quarters

13. \_\_\_\_\_ + lock

14. cross + \_\_\_\_\_

15. wheel + \_\_\_\_\_

Compound Noun

= \_\_\_\_\_

= aftermath

= \_\_\_\_\_

= \_\_\_\_\_

= \_\_\_\_\_

= \_\_\_\_\_

= \_\_\_\_\_

= \_\_\_\_\_

= \_\_\_\_\_

= overcoat

= \_\_\_\_\_

= \_\_\_\_\_

= \_\_\_\_\_

= \_\_\_\_\_

= \_\_\_\_\_



## compound nouns

A classroom board used for writing on in schools.

The following period and result of a bad event.

A soft sea animal with a umbrella-shaped body and trailing tentacles.

A very tall building with many floors.

The thin skin covering and protecting the eye.

A small insect that produces light, especially at night.

A bright light, often used outdoors, that lights a wide area.

A medical examination to assess a person's health or progress.

A printed publication containing news, articles, and advertisements, usually published daily or weekly.

A large, heavy coat worn over regular clothing, especially in cold weather.

A arc in the sky with a range of beautiful colors appearing when it is sunny and raining.

The main office or center of an organization.

A situation where two sides can't agree.

A point where two or more roads cross over each other.

A chair with wheels for people who have walking difficult.

<b>First Word</b>	<b>Second Word</b>	<b>Compound Noun</b>
1. black	board	blackboard
2. after	math	aftermath
3. jelly	fish	jellyfish
4. sky	scraper	skyscraper
5. eye	lid	eyelid
6. fire	fly	firefly
7. flood	light	floodlight
8. check	up	check-up
9. news	paper	newspaper
10. over	coat	overcoat
11. rain	bow	rainbow
12. head	quarters	headquarters
13. dead	lock	deadlock
14. cross	road	crossroad
15. wheel	chair	wheelchair

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**Thank you!**  
any questions?