

Compound Nouns

Closed compound noun	words are joined together <i>without</i> a gap.	babysitter
Open compound noun	words work together as one noun, but <i>with</i> a space.	ice cream
Hyphenated compound noun	words are connected by <i>hyphens</i> .	father-in-law

Directions: *Underline the compound noun in each sentence. Then, write C for closed compound, O for open compound, and H for hyphenated compound in the blank space. If there isn't a compound noun, don't underline anything and write X in the blank space.*

1. The upcoming full moon will illuminate as a circular disk. O
2. The mailbox was overflowing with advertisements. C
3. He worked out at the gym to have a six-pack. H
4. The antique bookshelf was rotting from the inside. C
5. "Check-in time isn't until three hours later," muttered Darlene. H
6. Without insurance, the x-ray costs an arm and a leg. H
7. The alarm clock was broken, so I was late to the first day of school. O
8. Sammy, the valedictorian, was always interested in mathematics. X
9. Friendship is important for building self-esteem for adolescents. H
10. The battery was drained, but thankfully, I had a spare. X
11. Mrs. Spanksters was hired at the post office. O
12. The exit sign above the door was glowing neon. O
13. The progressive candidate won in a landslide. C