



Compound Word Types

Three types
of compounds

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Thank you for your purchase! This is a set to teach types of compound words. It is compatible with OG or other reading interventions. This resource may be used in a 1:1 setting, small group or even whole class, depending on your needs.

NOTE: Please pay special attention to the Table of Contents. This is the order of instruction I recommend. Games are included at the end to use at any point in your instruction. They make great review centers.

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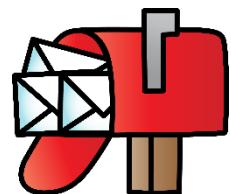
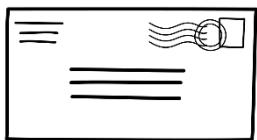
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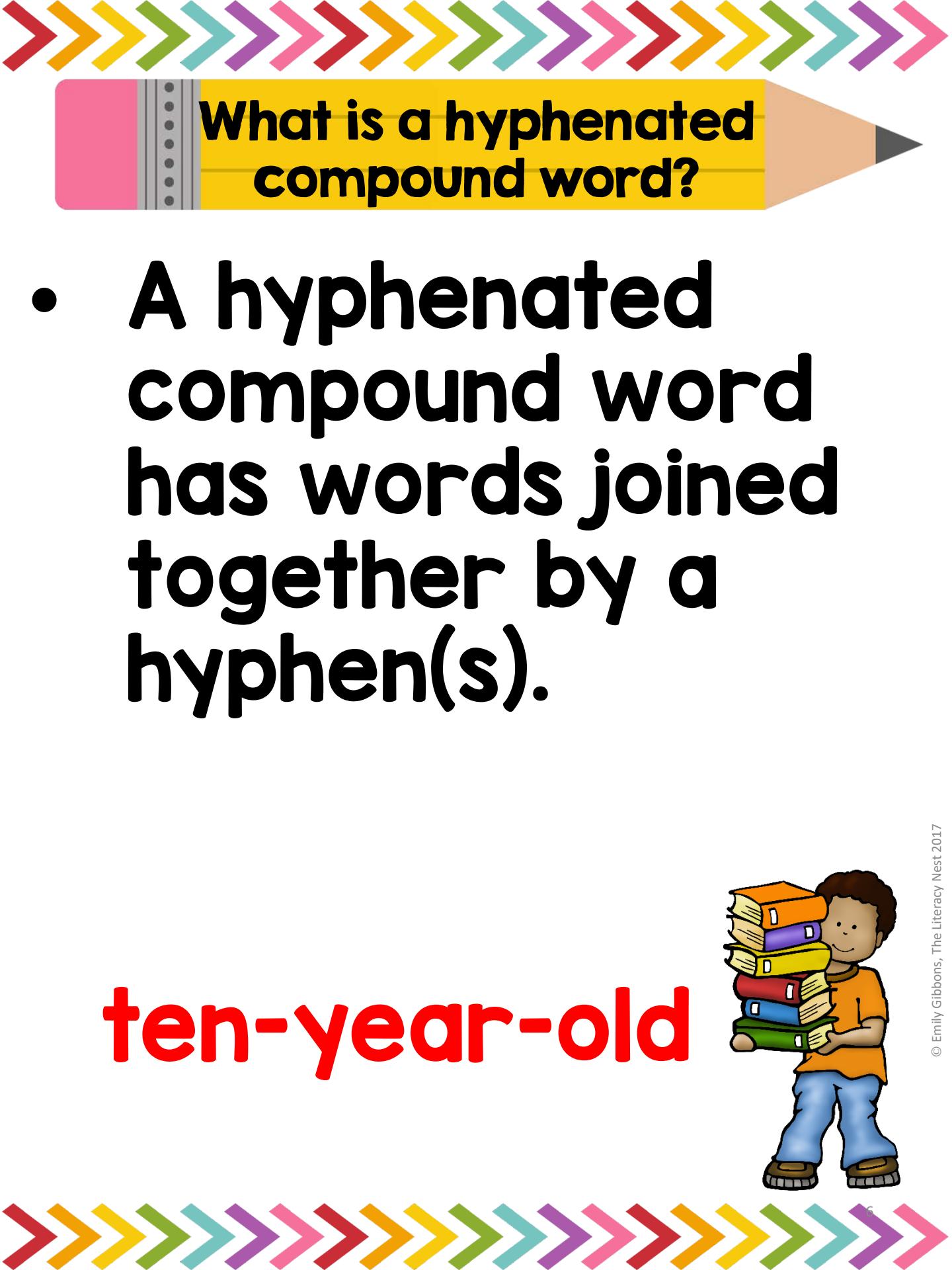


What is a **closed** compound word?

- A **closed compound word** consists of two smaller words.
- They come together to form a new word and meaning.



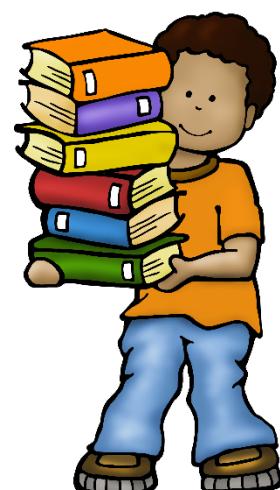
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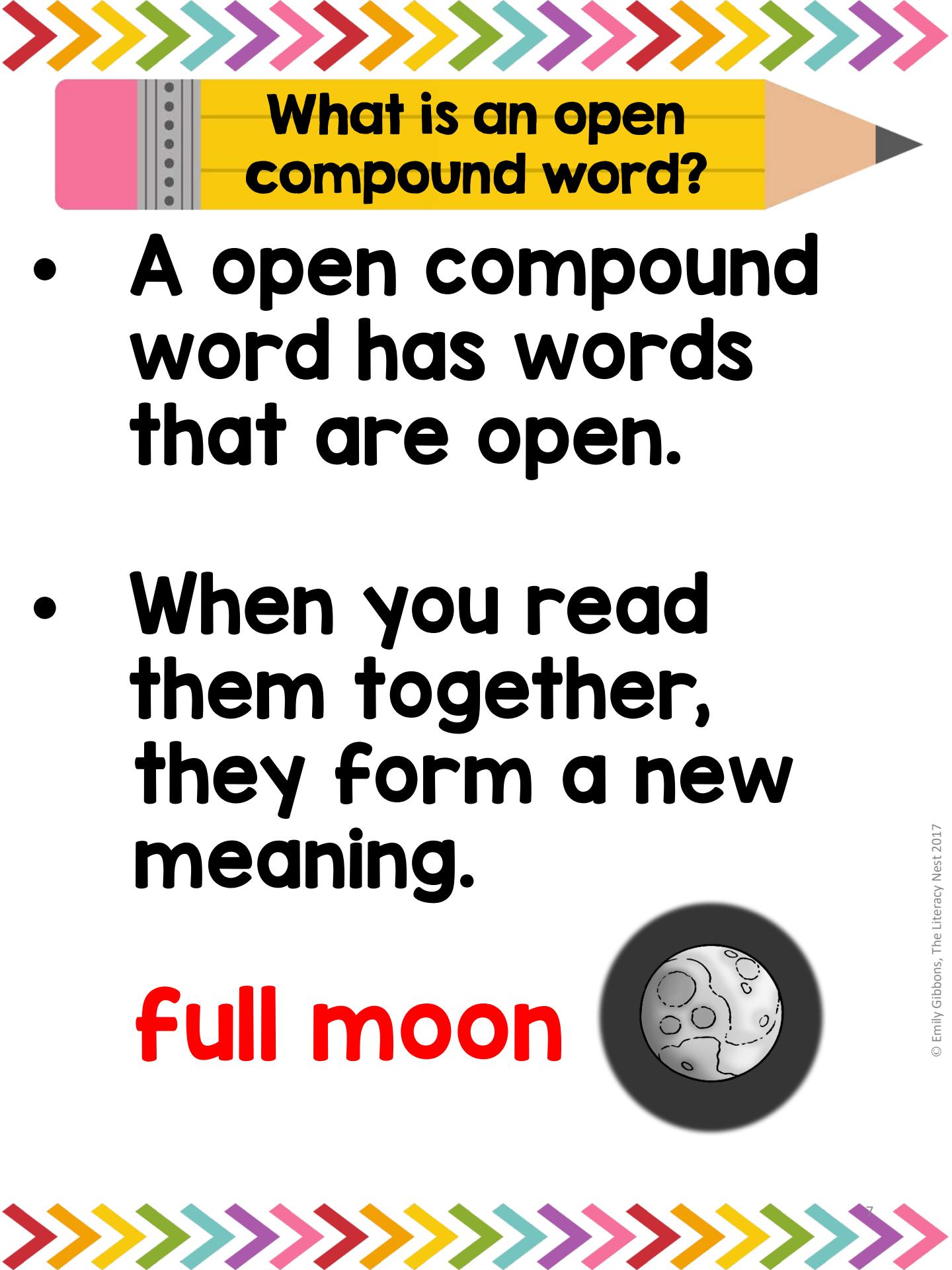


What is a hyphenated compound word?

- A **hyphenated compound word has words joined together by a hyphen(s).**

ten-year-old





What is an open compound word?

- A open compound word has words that are open.
- When you read them together, they form a new meaning.

full moon





Closed Compound Words



A closed compound word consists of two smaller words. They come together to form a new word and meaning.

mail + box = mailbox

Directions: Read the words. Write the two words that make the closed compound word under each word. The first one is done for you.

ladybug lady bug	baseball	forget
popcorn	footprint	rainbow
waterfall	jellyfish	airplane
seashore	butterfly	herself
railroad	notebook	sunflower

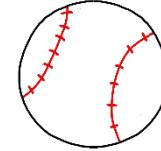
lady + bug

ladybug



base + ball

baseball



for + get

forget



pop + corn

popcorn



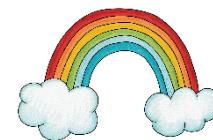
foot + print

footprint



rain + bow

rainbow



water + fall

waterfall



jelly + fish

jellyfish



air + plane

airplane



sea + shore

seashore



butter + fly

butterfly



her + self

herself



rail + road

railroad



note + book

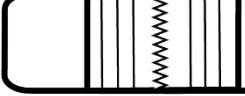
notebook



sun + flower

sunflower





Hyphenated Compound Words



A hyphenated compound word has words joined together by a hyphen(s).

ten-year-old

Directions: Read the words. Circle the words that make up each hyphenated compound word. The first one has been done for you.

ten -year-old	check-up	runner-up
mother-in-law	half-mast	self-respect
twenty-one	high-speed	well-to-do
warm-blooded	ready-made	left-handed
deep-fried	warm-up	short-sleeved

ten-year-old



check-up



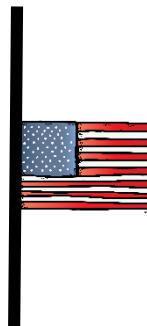
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mother-in-law



half-mast



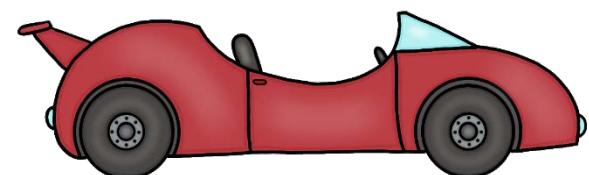
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twenty-one



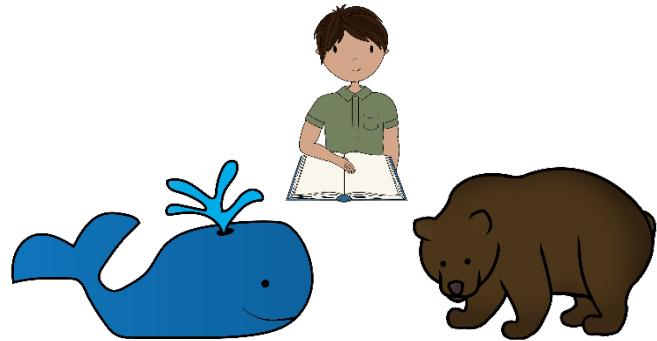
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well-to-do



warm-blooded



ready-made



left-handed



deep-fried

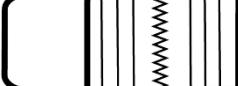


warm-up

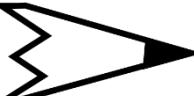


short-sleeved





Open Compound Words



A open compound word has words that are open. When you read them together, they form a new meaning.

full moon

Directions: Read the words. Underline the words that make up each open compound word. The first one has been done for you.

full moon

police officer

video game

candy cane

post office

web page

ice cream

dining room

time line

hang out

science
fiction

bus stop

cell phone

high school

rib cage

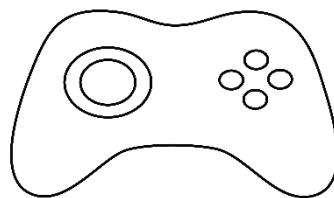
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police
officer



video game



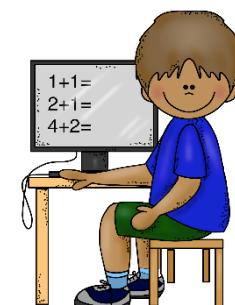
candy cane



post office



web page



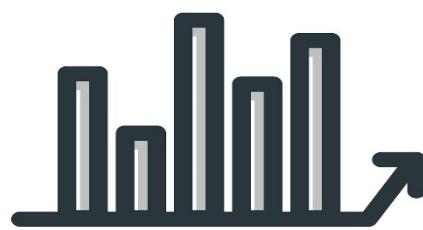
ice cream



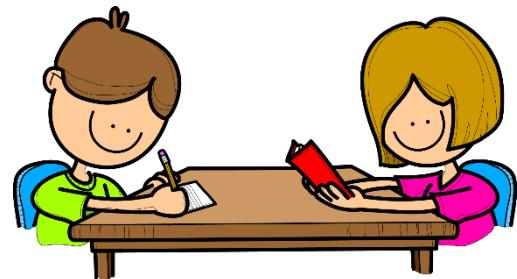
dining room



time line

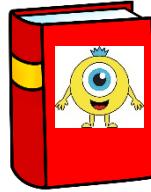


hang out



science

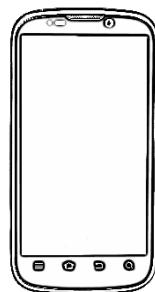
fiction



bus stop



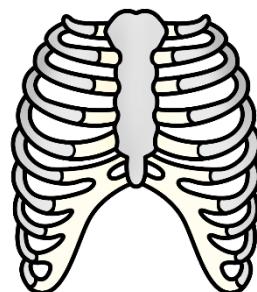
cell phone



high school



rib cage



Compound Word Blocks

I use Mega Blocks and dry erase for the following pages.
You could laminate both mats and use the word cards for practice.

Clicking Compounds

What are the two words
that form the closed
compound word?

railroad
rail + road



Clicking Compounds

What closed compound word is made from the two words?

butter + fly
butterfly



Compound Question Cards

For many students, studying compounds will be a time for building their vocabulary. This is done through modeling, visuals, reading and most importantly, DISCUSSION. Use the following discussion cards to think of examples and situations where the word would apply. By posing the vocabulary in a thought-provoking question, you open up the conversation about that word. Through that discussion, your students will build a connection with the word, which will broaden their own definition and subsequent application in their own writing.

What is something that CANNOT be done **anytime**?

When is it good to have a **backup** of something?

When do you NOT want to be caught in a **downpour**?

Can anything last **forever**? Why or why not?

What is a good **icebreaker** when you meet someone for the first time?

Many people go **online** to...

A (fill in the blank) is not a **woodland** animal.

When should you **proofread** **something**?

True or false:

Pizza is **junk food**.

Explain why or why not.

What might you

find at a

yard sale?

Do kids play
too many

video games?

Why or why not?

You don't need a
light bulb in...

Name things you
need a
remote control
to operate.

When is it
important to pack
bottled water?

Name some
activities in a
physical education
class.

You DON'T need to
wear an **oven mitt**
to...

Is pizza **junk food**?
Why or why not?

What might you
find at a
yard sale?

Do kids play
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video games?
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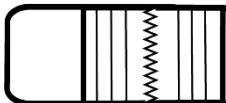
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bottled water?

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to...

Name:

Date:



Types of Compounds



Compound words are formed when you join two or more words.

The words' meanings might be changed when you combine them.

Directions: Cut, read and sort the compounds at the bottom. Glue or write them into the correct categories.

CLOSED	OPEN	HYPHENATED



haircut	close-up	post office	starfish	play-off
paper clip	tree house	toss-up	weekend	suitcase
king-size	x-ray	rock band	nobody	ho-hum

Compound Concentration

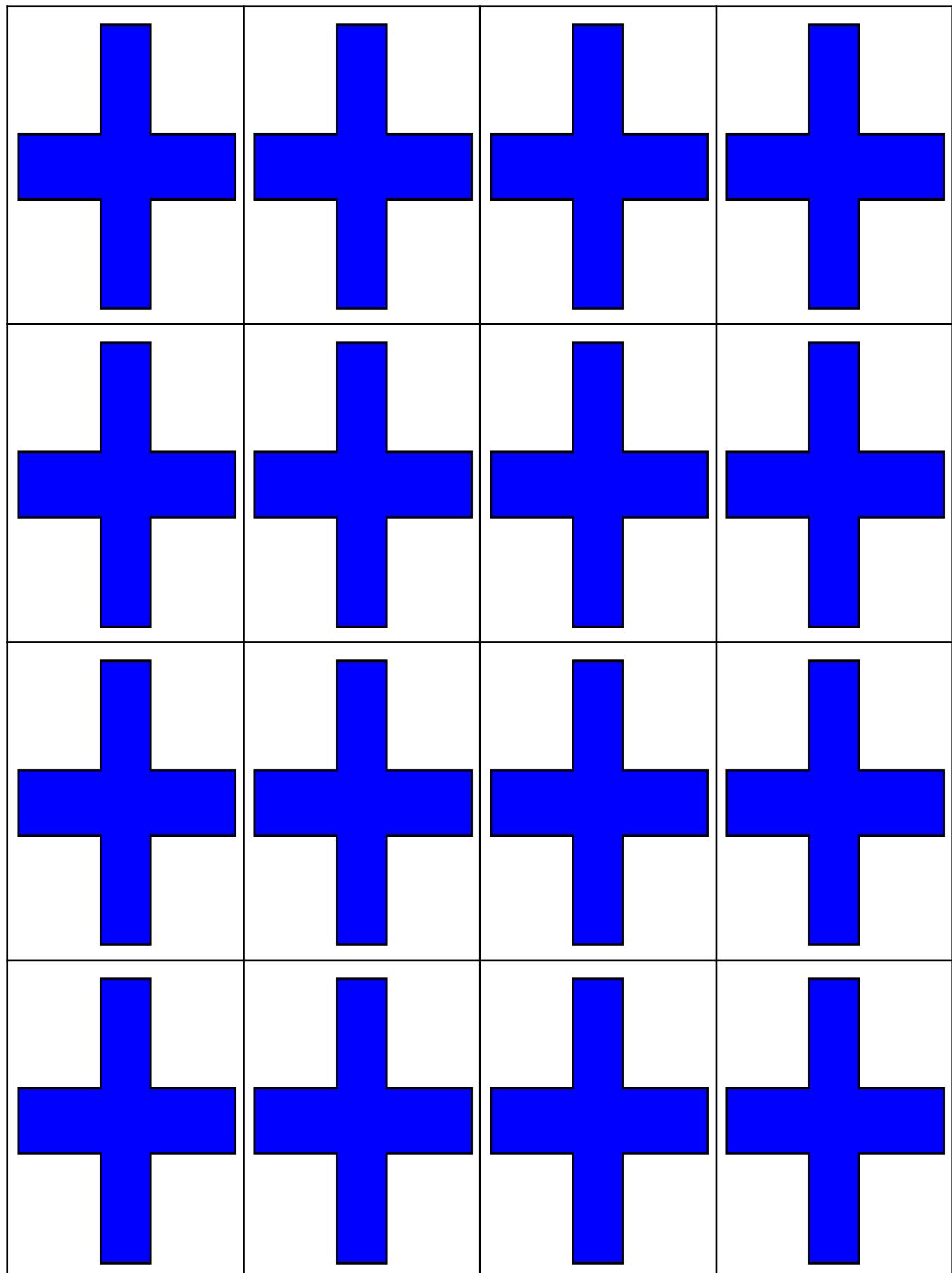
There is a front side for each side, so you may photocopy them back to back. This will prevent seeing through to the word on the other side.

Closed Compounds: Players take turns by turning over two cards. A match is when you find two words that make a closed compound word. When you make a match, keep both cards. If they don't match, put them back where you found them. The person with the most matches wins! Reshuffle the cards well, and play again.

Open Compounds: Players take turns by turning over two cards. A match is when you find two words that make an open compound word. When you make a match, keep both cards. If they don't match, put them back where you found them. The person with the most matches wins! Reshuffle the cards well, and play again.

Hyphenated Compounds: Players take turns by turning over two cards. A match is when you find two words that make a hyphenated compound word. When you make a match, keep both cards. If they don't match, put them back where you found them. The person with the most matches wins! Reshuffle the cards well, and play again.

Closed Compounds Concentration



Closed Compound Concentration

after

noon

mid

night

cup

cake

every

one

grass

hopper

news

paper

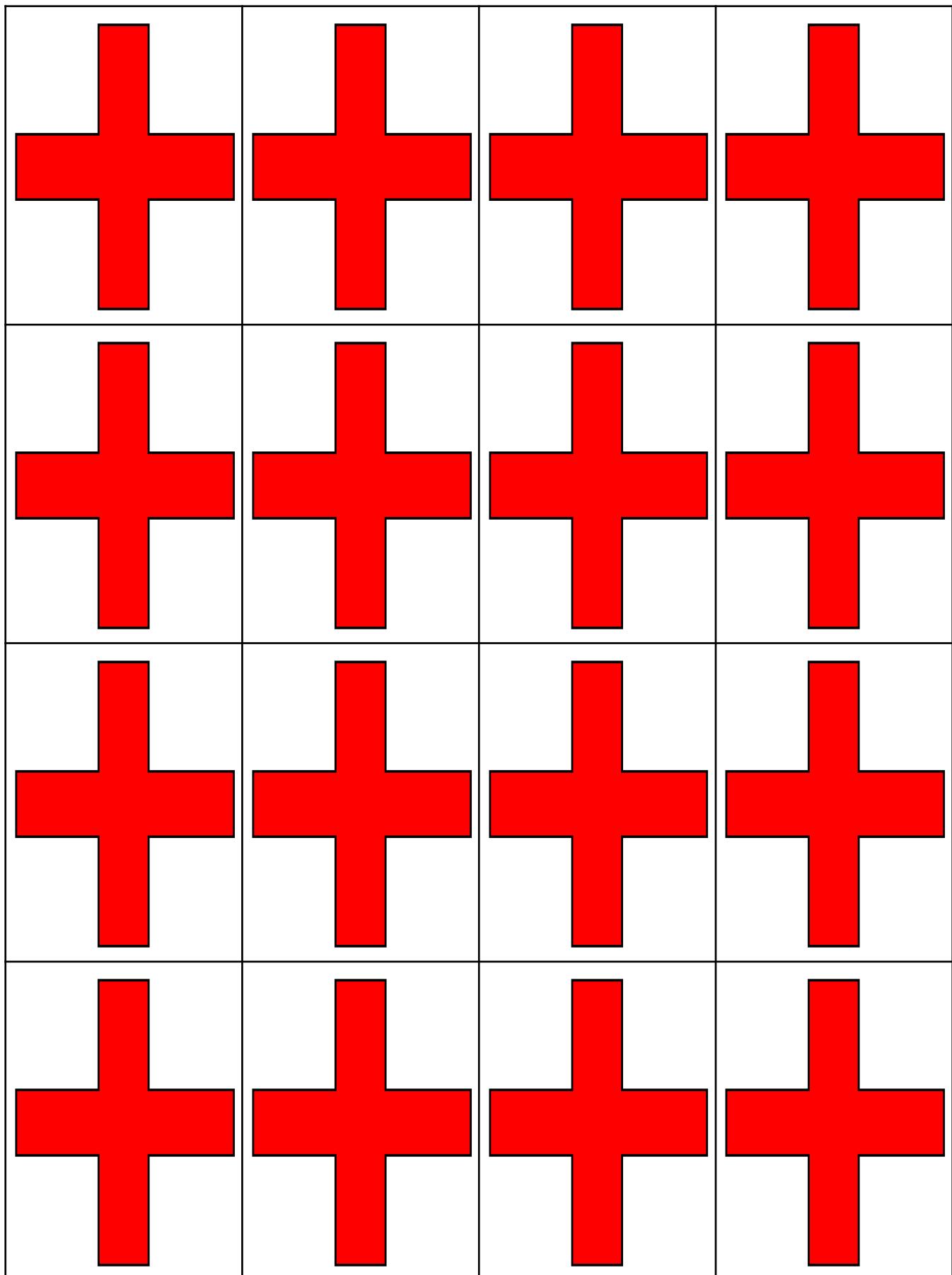
straw

berry

some

thing

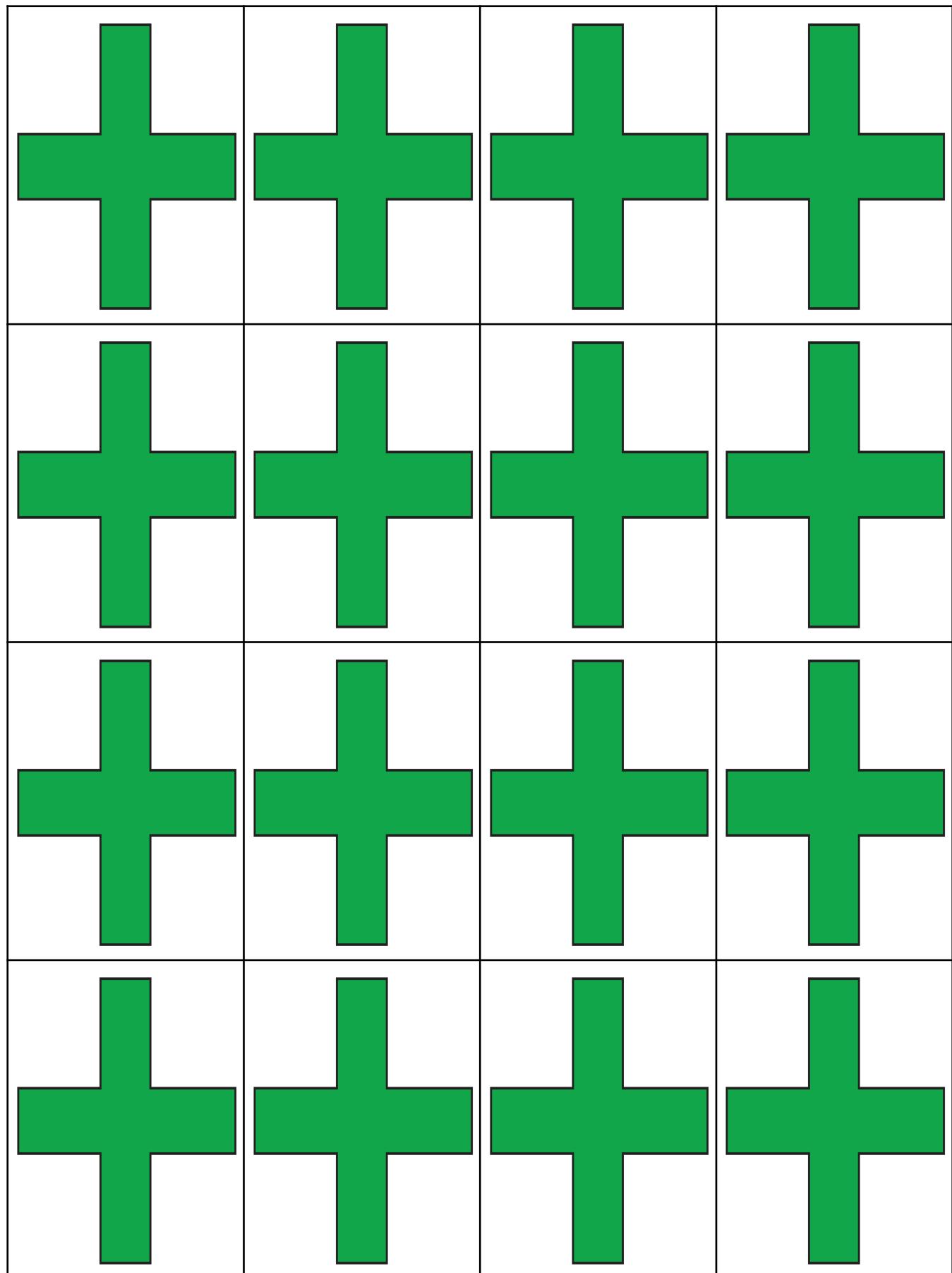
Open Compounds Concentration



Open Compound Concentration

light	bulb	root	beer
junk	food	jumping	jacks
rocking	chair	voice	mail
ring	finger	basketball	court

Hyphenated Compounds Concentration



Hyphenated Compound Concentration

roly- poly

life- size

right- handed

know- it-all

self- serve

get- together

hush- hush

high- tech

Let's stop at the bookstore downtown after I finish my homework.

The playground next to the ballfield has a squeaky seesaw and a sandbox.

Sometimes, it helps to wipe the windshield with a damp cloth for a better view.

Tess spotted a new basketball hoop in her driveway on her birthday.

According to the news, heavy snowfall is predicted for Sunday.

The large armchair in mom's bedroom has a paint stain from my little brother.

"Would you prefer to play softball or baseball?" asked Ross.

We fished from the sailboat and caught plenty of seafood for dinner tonight.

The fire station down the street checks the fire engines once a week.

“The old lawn mower needs a tune up and some oil,” said Dad.

The town skating rink is located right beside the high school and the playground.

The pitcher couldn’t stop the batter from making it back to home plate for a home run.

“Be careful for poison ivy when you hike in the woods,” warned the park ranger.

We inflated the air mattress for our sleepover guest in the living room.

A polar bear will hunt for fish in the icy arctic water.

After breaking his foot in the high jump event, my brother was on bed rest.

Hyphenated Compound Fluency Strips: Read each sentence. Highlight each hyphenated compound word.

Did your sister-in-law come over for dinner last night?

Do you prefer the merry-go-round or the bumper cars?

If you'd like to bake cupcakes, be sure to check with a grown-up first.

When someone has a story to share, I love when they get down to the nitty-gritty parts.

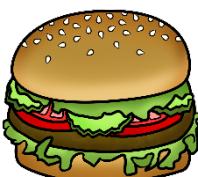
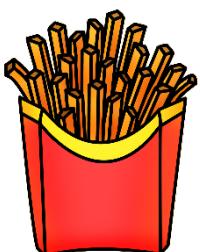
It takes some know-how to be able to fix a flat tire yourself.

Max prefers the self serve line at the shopping club for a speedy check-out.

Let's plan a get-together, but keep it hush-hush until we set a date.

"We have a roly-poly hedgehog for a class pet," said Mack.

Think of a sentence for each food and use that word in it, or make up a whole story using all the food words!





Compound Words



Directions: Read the poem. Choose 7 compound words to highlight.

Pirate Shipwreck

A bag of seashells,
A pile of starfish,
A stack of driftwood,
And one lonely jellyfish.

An empty birdcage,
A flag with crossbones,
A box of earrings,
And one piece of whalebone

A stash of necklaces,
A broken gangplank,
An open padlock,
And one empty fish tank!

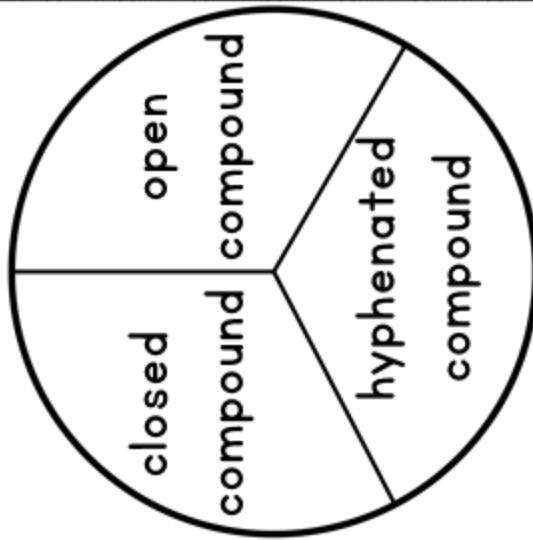
What type of bird probably flew out of the birdcage?

Spinning Compounds

To Play:

1. Spin the spinner.
2. Color a compound that is the same type as the space you landed on.

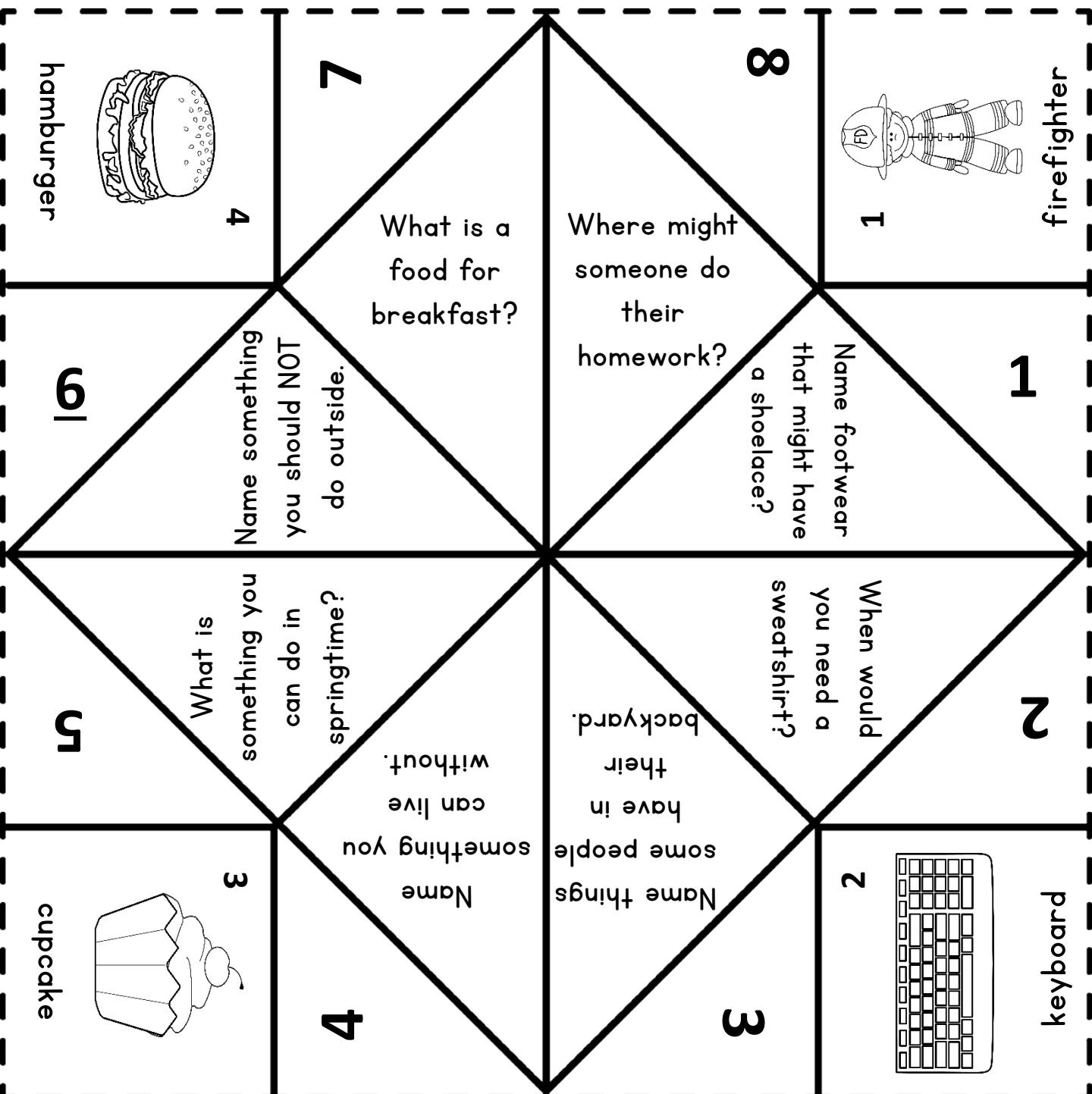
To win: Be the first to color every word on your whole grid.



seaport	nitty-gritty	junk food	headlight
check-in	sleeping bag	rainbow	show-off
report card	inside	ho-hum	cell phone
life jacket	work-out	comic strip	classmate
airplane	dirt bike	forever	toss-up

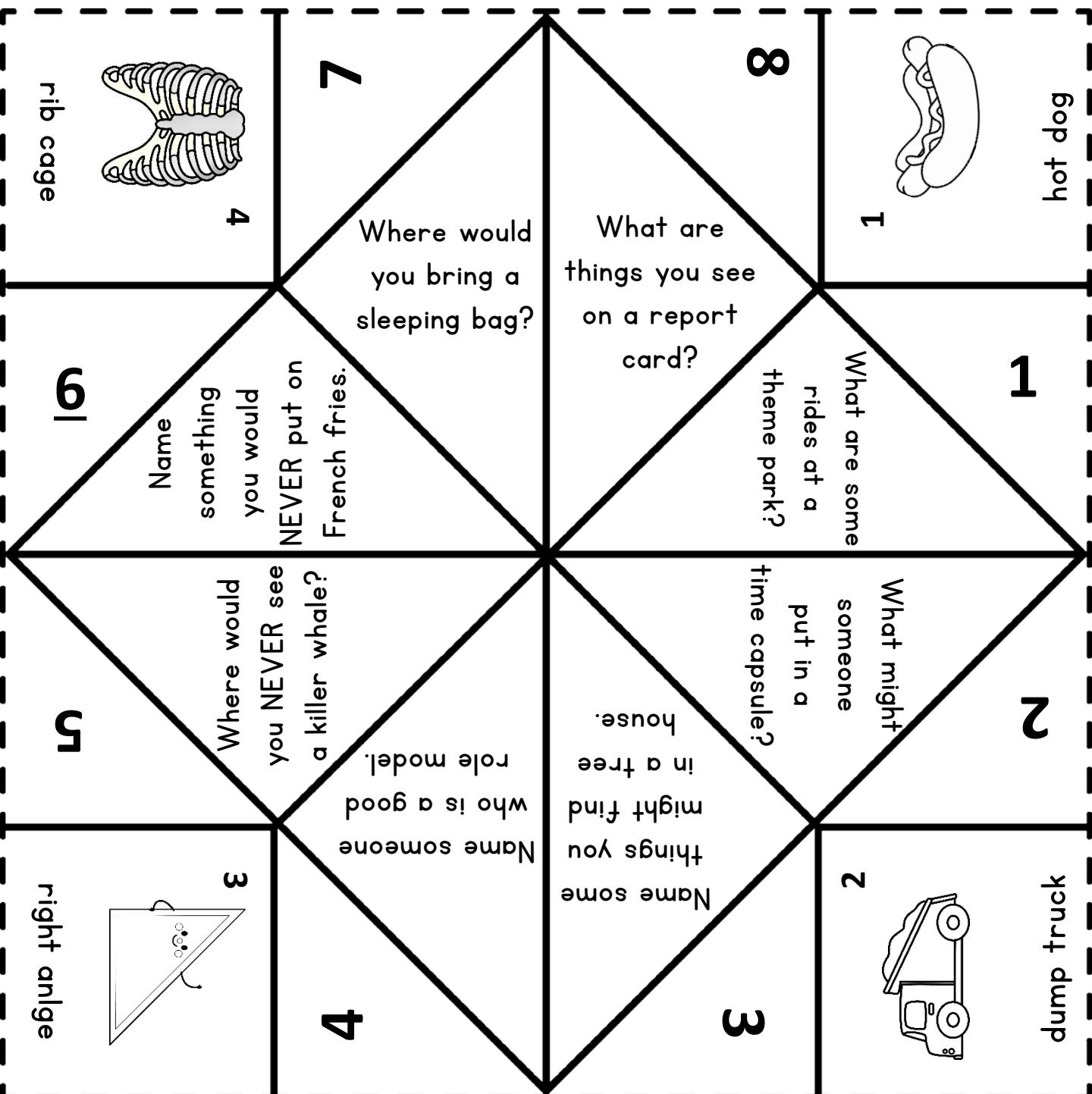
Closed Compounds Cootie Catcher

To Play: 1. Choose a picture with a number. Say the picture name. Open and close the cootie catcher back and forth that number of times. 2. Choose a number. Open and close the cootie catcher back and forth that number of times. 3. Choose a number and open the flap. 4. Read and answer the question. 5. Say two words that make a compound word in the question. 6. Play again.



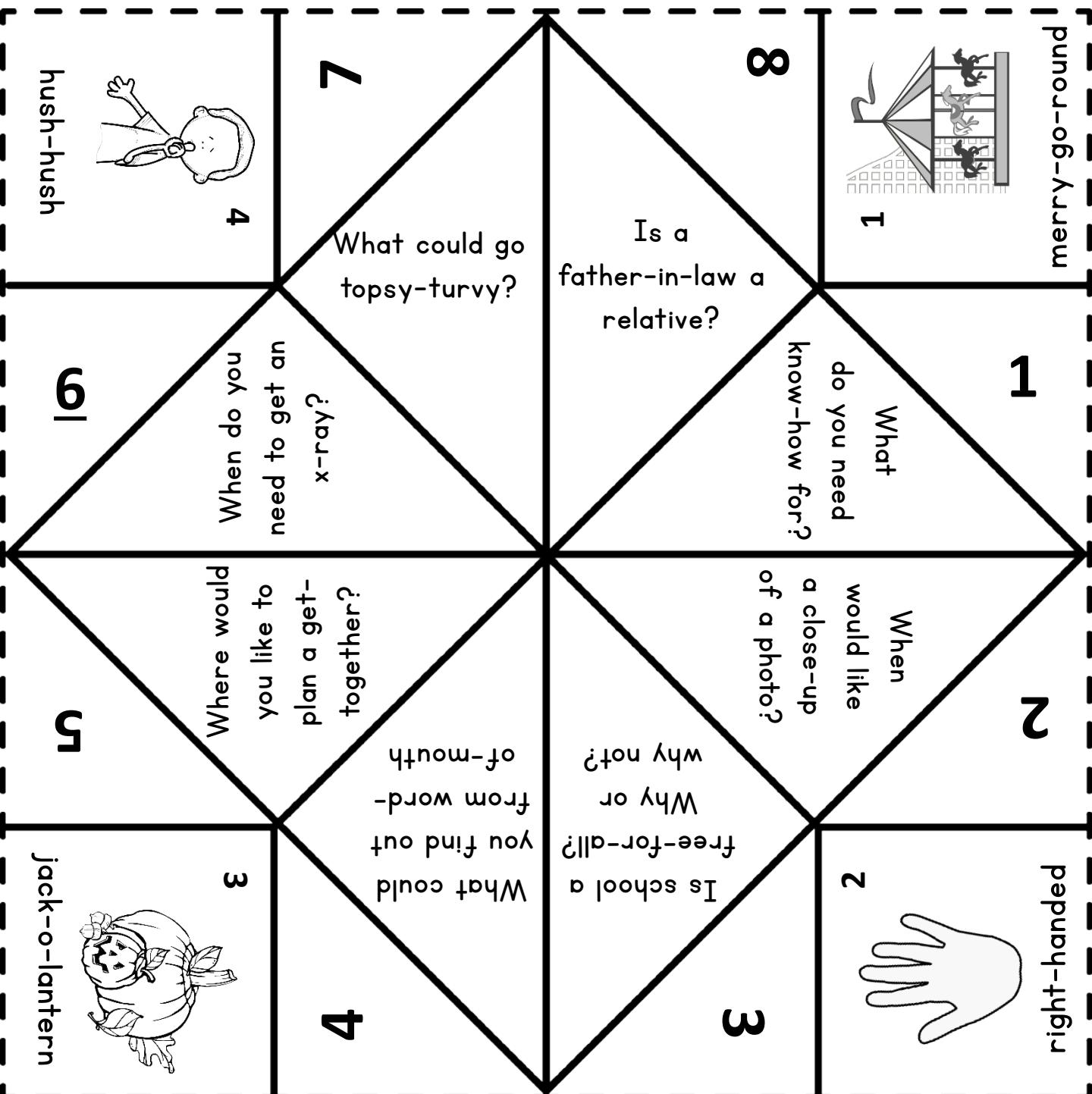
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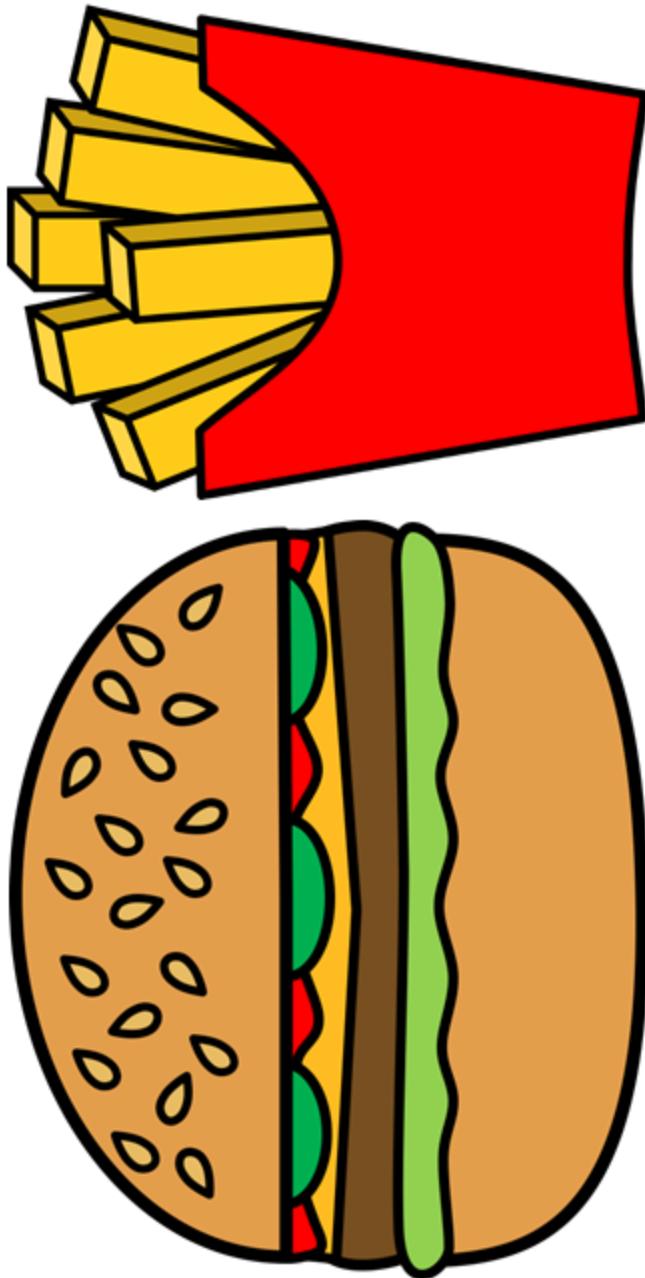


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HAMBURGER AND FRENCH FRY FREE-FOR-ALL!



Hamburger and French Fry Free-For-All

Materials: 1 coloring sheet per player, 1 page with spinner per player, 1 set of word cards (use the cards provided within pages 8-16) per player, coloring tools

Directions: Each player will their cards. Decide who will go first. ONE A TURN: 1. Spin the spinner. Land on French fries: opponent chooses an open compound word to read to the player. 2. The opponent places the card in the square next to the spinner. 3. The player will write it on their mat. If it is correct, they may color in one French fry.

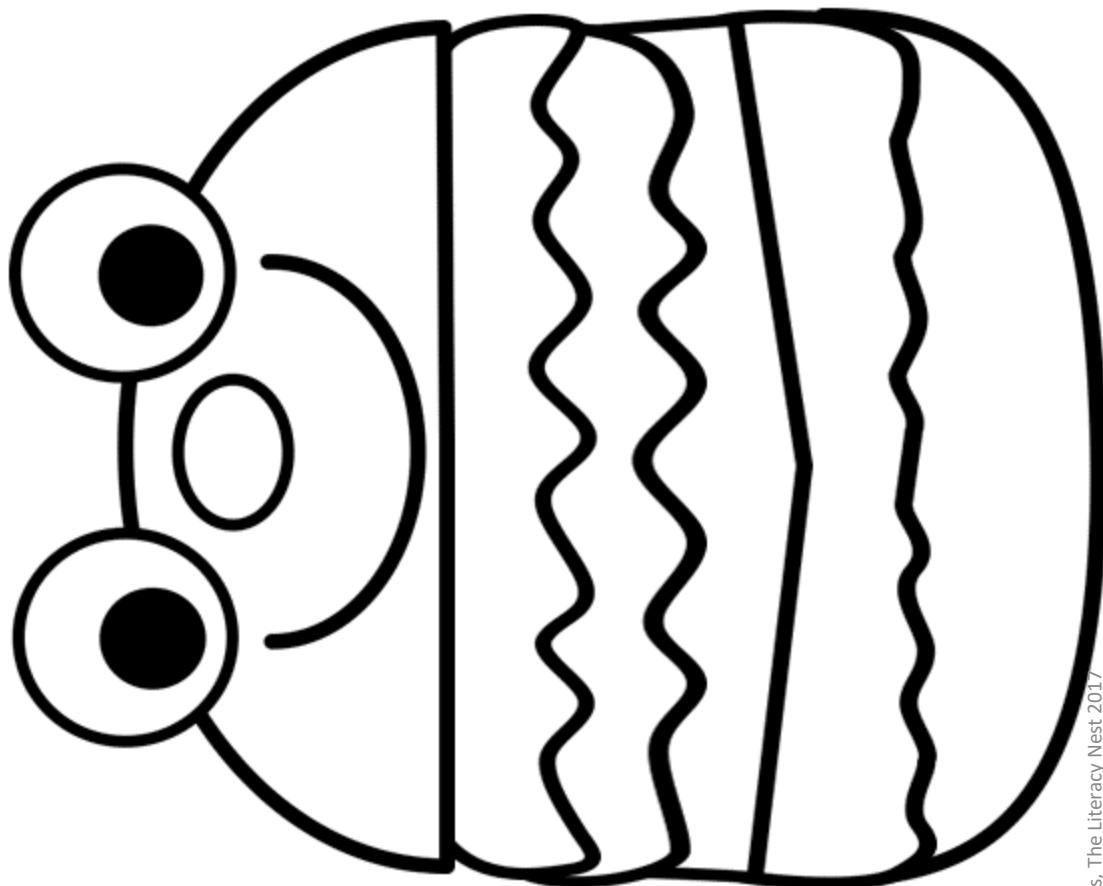
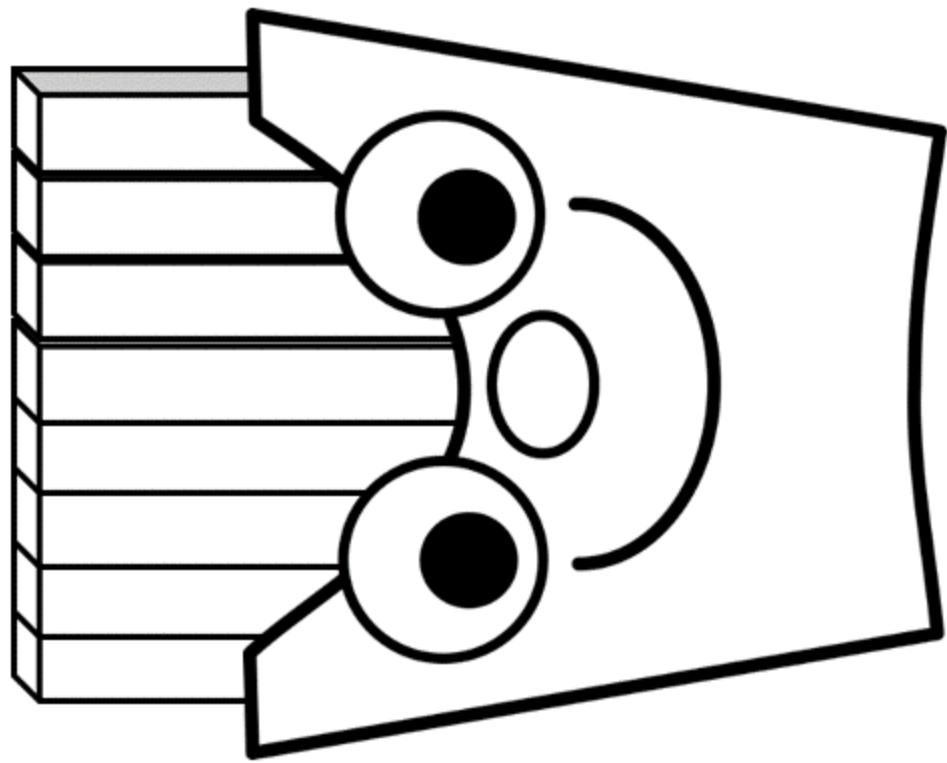
*If you land on the cheeseburger, follow the same directions, only with closed compounds, You will color in a section of the cheeseburger.

*If you land on FREE-FOR-ALL, follow the same directions, only with hyphenated compounds. You may color in either a French fry or a section of the cheeseburger.

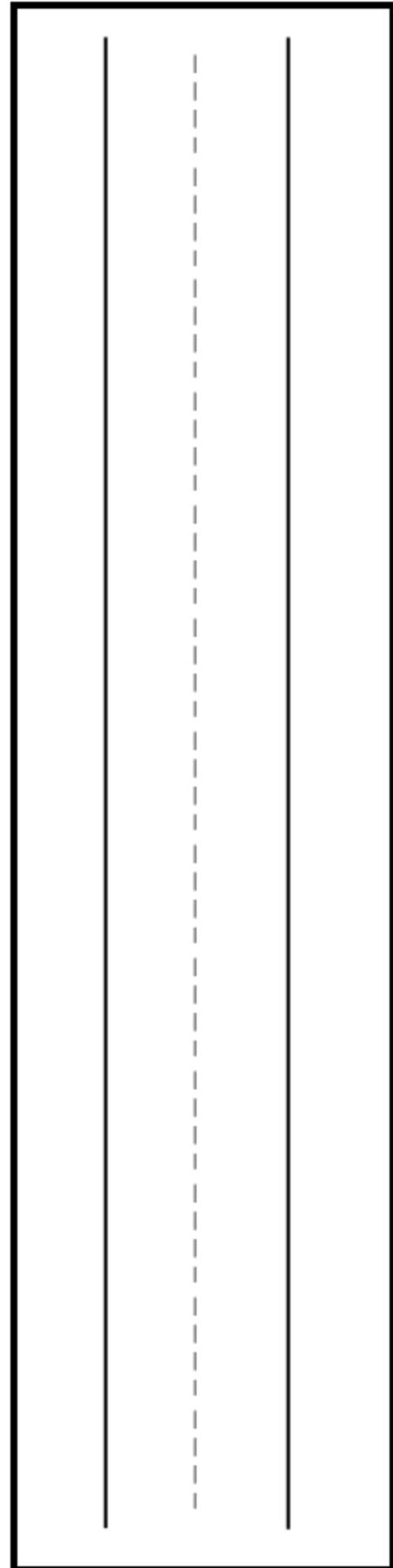
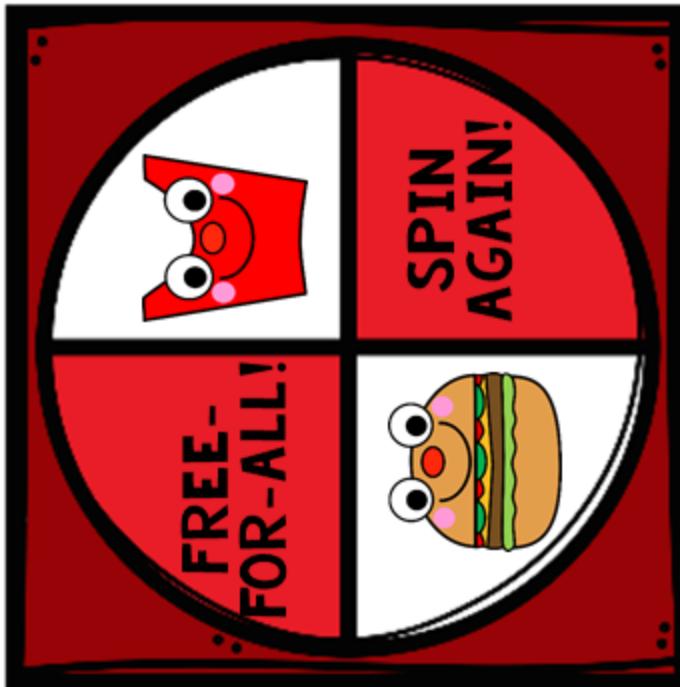
*Spin again means to take another turn.

The first person to have both their cheeseburger and fries colored in, wins the games.

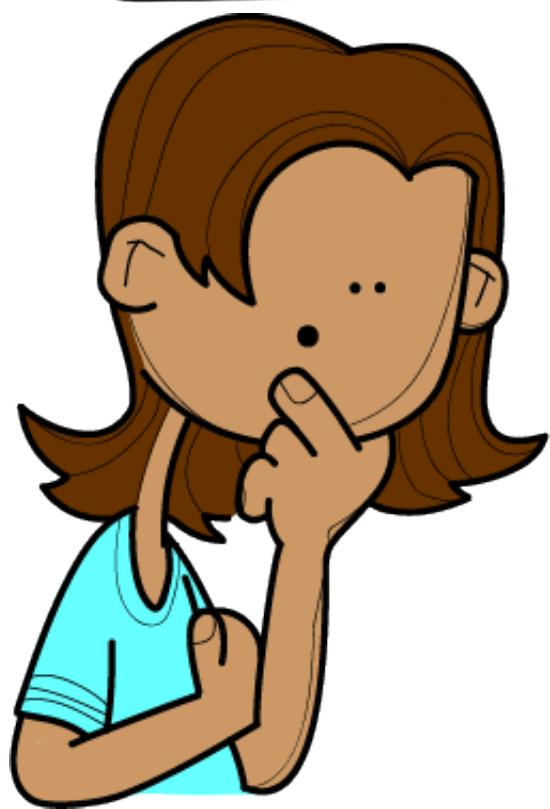
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