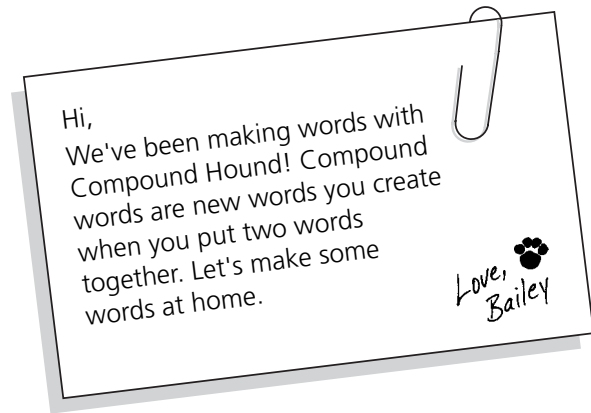




## Compound Hound Together Time

### Compound Contest

When riding in the car or on a walk, give your child one half of a compound word such as "foot." Ask the child to think of another word that will combine with it to make a new word, like "football" or "footpath" for example. Have fun making silly "not-quite" words too, like "foottree" or "footflower." Take turns suggesting different compound word starters. As your child becomes better at this game, start using the second part of a compound word as your starter. Be sure to differentiate between compound words that contain two full words, like rainbow, and words such as elbow that do not contain two complete words.



### Word Picture Show

Have your child illustrate a favorite compound word, like "rainbow" or "butterfly." For example, first draw "rain" and then "bow." Finally, draw the "rainbow." Help the child print the name of the object below, underlining the two parts that make up the finished word. You may need to provide a list of words to start with as a suggestion. As an added challenge, invite your child to make a drawing and have you guess the word that they have shown.