

## 11. Compound Words

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the words all meet  
It's where they go to become  
Something bigger than they

were before  
Each has a friend now  
Cause they're a compound word  
A compound word

I say air, you say plane  
Air - plane, airplane  
I say out, you say side  
Out - side, outside  
I say play, you say ground  
Play - ground, playground  
I say space, you say ship  
Space - ship, spaceship

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get double  
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trouble to say  
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## Activity Suggestions

During the first verse Stephen has given you examples of compound words that most, if not all children will know. During the second verse, he has left you blanks whereby you can work on new words or a single word that you want to introduce. Outside the classroom, have the children look for and bring back compound words they learned from relatives, friends, books, radio or television. Make a classroom compound word mural to which the kids can contribute. Let the kids make up silly or nonsensical compound words.