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Compound words are special words that are made up of two smaller words, such as *sandbox*. This activity gives your child an opportunity to visualize the way compound words are created.

Instructions

- 1. Print pages 3-4 of this activity.
- 2. Cut out the branch and the bird cards.
- 3. Lay the bird cards on the table and mix them up.
- 4. Have your child select two matching birds, set them on the branch side by side, and read the resulting compound word.
- 5. If you wish to identify the birds with your student, here is the list of species represented:

Card	Bird Species
quicksand	cardinal
bobcat	goldfinch
bathtub	robin
itself	magpie
cannot	meadowlark
pigpen	scarlet tanager
milkman	hairy woodpecker
catfish	rose-breasted grosbeak
backpack	red-winged blackbird
lipstick	bluejay

Variation

You can also use the bird cards to play a memory-type game as your child finds the matching pairs of birds.







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