

How new words are created

Task 1: New words are created using different methods. How were these words created? Match each one with one of the methods below.

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| 1. scuba - c | 6. igloo | 11. chair (v) |
| 2. brunch | 7. touristy | 12. staycation |
| 3. exam | 8. bungalow | 13. ASAP |
| 4. racist | 9. biohazard | 14. decaf |
| 5. snail-mail | 10. seat belt | 15. motorway |

- Mixing two words and their meanings together
- Using part of a word
- Forming a word from the letters of a phrase
- Adding a prefix or a suffix
- Changing the way a word is used e.g. noun becomes verb
- Joining two words
- Repeating words or adding words that sound similar
- Taking a word from another language

Task 2: Your teacher will give you some vocabulary exercises to do. Do the exercises and make sure you understand all the vocabulary. Choose 1-3 interesting words to teach to your classmates.

Task 3: Create some new words using the methods in Task 1.

- Only use each method once.
- Write a sentence for each new word.

Example:

a mindlink = a deep connection between people

My best friend and I have such a mindlink.