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Compound Word Piece it Together

Objective
Child will blend individual words into compound words.

Materials
• Compound Word Puzzle Pieces (Activity Master) - Copy on cardstock, cut apart, and laminate.

Activity
Children make words from compound puzzle pieces.
1. Place Compound Word Puzzle Pieces face up on a flat surface.
2. Taking turns, combine pieces that fit together to make a word.
3. Say the word on each puzzle piece, blend, and read the word (e.g., bluebird)
4. Continue until all puzzles are complete.
5. Children will self-check since the pieces will fit together.

Adaptations and Extensions
• Make other word puzzles.
• Play again with the pieces turned upside down (memory game).
• Word Deletion: After teacher introduction, when the cards are still put together, the children will ask each other to say one compound part without the other. (e.g., “Say toothbrush without brush.” or “Say bluebird without bird.”) The child guessing may pick up the picture that correctly names the missing syllable. Play until each compound has been split apart.
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Benchmarks: A.2a, F.2b