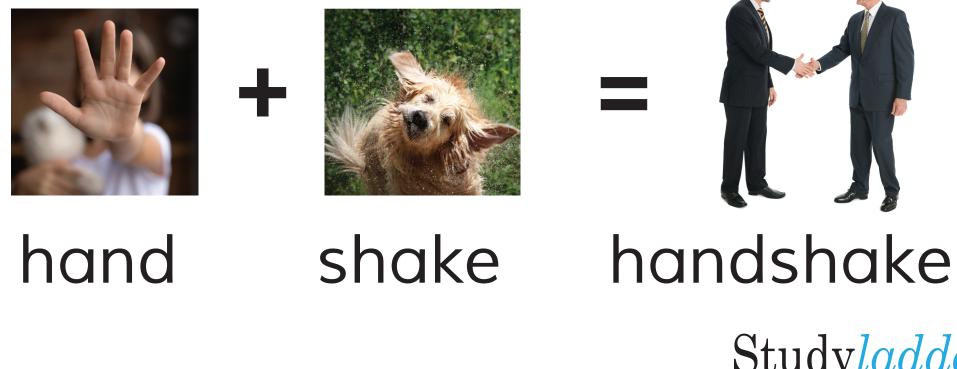
Compound words occur when two or more words combine to form a new single word or phrase that acts like a single word.



Closed compound words are easy to see. There are no spaces between the words.



Open compound words are separated by spaces but always act as a single word.



Hyphenated compound words are separated by hyphens. Two, three or more words can act together as one.





up-to-date

hard-boiled

