

Compound Words- with hyphens

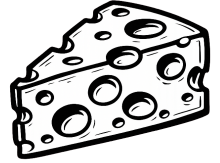
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Hyphens are used when two or more words act as a single adjective BEFORE a noun.

a **low-fat** cheese.

However, if the compound modifier comes AFTER the noun, NO HYPHEN is used.

The cheese is low fat.



Editing Sentences

Tick the correct sentences and cross the incorrect sentences.

The dog is well-trained.

It is a well trained dog.

It is a good looking dog.

The dog is good-looking.

It was a last-minute decision.

The decision was last-minute.

The game was fast paced.

It was a fast-paced game.

It is a ten-year-old building.

The building is ten years old.

She is a well known author.

The author is well-known.

1. Underline the noun and circle the compound modifier.

2. State whether the words should be hyphenated or not hyphenated.

The long term plan was successful. _____

The hotel was five star. _____

Her job is part time. _____

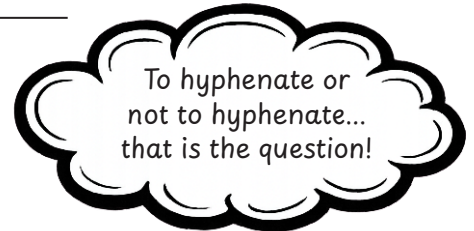
They visited a world famous museum. _____

We took a two hour train ride. _____

The article was thought provoking. _____

The cafe is family run. _____

She is a hard working student. _____



Writing Sentences

Use the following hyphenated adjectives before the noun.

brightly-lit _____

high-quality _____

snow-covered _____