

RESOURCE LIST COMPOUND WORDS

Level A are commonly used.

Level B have less frequency.

Level C contain language connotations.

COMPOUND	LEVEL	COMPOUND	LEVEL	COMPOUND	LEVEL	COMPOUND	LEVEL
afternoon	A	backlash	C	billfold	B	boyfriend	A
aftershave	B	backlog	C	birdbath	A	brainstorm	C
air bag	B	backpack	B	birdcage	A	brainwash	C
air mattress	B	backstage	B	birdhouse	A	brickyard	B
aircraft	B	backstroke	B	birdseed	A	bridegroom	A
airline	B	backyard	A	birthday	A	bridesmaid	A
airmail	B	bagpipe	B	birthmark	B	briefcase	B
airplane	A	ballpark	B	blackbird	A	broadcast	B
airport	A	ballroom	B	blackboard	A	buckskin	B
airtight	B	bandleader	B	blackhead	B	bug spray	B
allspice	B	barefoot	A	blacklist	C	bulldog	B
alongside	B	barnyard	A	blackmail	B	bulldoze	B
anklebone	B	baseball	A	blackout	B	bulletproof	B
another	A	baseboard	B	blacktop	B	bullfight	B
anteater	B	basketball	A	blindfold	A	bullfrog	B
anthill	B	bath mat	B	bloodthirsty	C	bumblebee	A
anybody	A	bathrobe	A	blueberries	A	busybody	B
anymore	A	bathroom	A	bluegrass	C	buttercup	B
anyone	A	bathtub	A	blueprint	C	butterfly	A
anyplace	A	beanbag	B	boardwalk	B	buttermilk	A
anything	A	bearskin	B	bobcat	B	buttonhole	B
anytime	A	bedbug	B	bobsled	B	bypass	B
anywhere	A	bedroll	B	bodyguard	B	cabdriver	B
applesauce	B	bedroom	A	bombshell	C	campfire	A
armchair	B	bedside	B	booby trap	B	campground	B
arrowhead	B	bedspread	B	bookcase	A	campsite	B
ashtray	A	bedtime	A	bookend	B	candlestick	A
automobile	B	beechnut	B	bookkeeper	B	candy cane	A
awestruck	C	beefsteak	B	bookmark	A	cannonball	B
babysitter	B	beehive	A	bookmobile	B	cannot	A
back board	B	beekeeper	B	bookshelf	B	cardboard	B
backache	A	beeline	C	bookworm	B	carefree	B
backbone	B	beeswax	B	borderline	C	carpool	B
backdrop	B	bellbottom	B	bottleneck	C	carport	B
backfire	B	bellboy	B	bowling ball	B	cartwheel	B
background	B	bellhop	B	bowtie	B	catchall	C
backhand	B	bellybutton	A	boxcar	A	catfish	B

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catnip	B	crossroad	B	earache	A	firewood	A
caveman	B	crosswalk	A	eardrum	B	fireworks	A
centerpiece	B	crossword	B	earmark	C	fishhook	B
chairman	B	cupboard	B	earmuffs	B	flagpole	B
chalkboard	A	cupcake	A	earring	A	flashback	C
charcoal	B	cutoff	B	earthquake	A	flashlight	A
checkbook	B	darkroom	B	earthshaking	B	flatfoot	B
checkerboard	B	dashboard	B	earthworm	B	floodlight	B
checkup	A	daybreak	B	easygoing	B	flowerpot	A
cheerleader	B	daydream	B	eavesdrop	C	flypaper	B
cheesecake	B	daylight	A	eggbeater	B	folklore	C
chopsticks	B	daytime	A	eggshell	A	foolproof	B
classmate	A	dead end	B	elsewhere	B	football	A
classroom	A	deadline	B	evergreen	A	foothills	B
clip art	C	dewdrop	B	everybody	A	footloose	C
clipboard	B	dishwasher	A	everyone	A	footnote	B
clockwise	C	diving board	B	everything	A	footprint	A
clothesline	B	dog tag	B	eyeball	A	footrest	B
clothespin	B	dogfight	B	eyebrow	A	footstep	A
cloudburst	B	doghouse	A	eyelash	A	footstool	B
cloverleaf	C	doomsday	C	eyelid	A	forever	A
clubhouse	B	doorbell	A	eyesight	A	framework	C
coastline	B	doorknob	A	eyetooth	B	freehand	C
cobweb	A	doormat	B	eyewitness	B	frogman	C
cockpit	B	doorway	B	fairground	B	frostbite	B
cockroach	B	double-cross	B	fanfare	C	fruitcake	B
coffeemaker	B	doughnut	A	faraway	B	gateway	B
colorfast	C	downhill	B	farmyard	A	gemstone	B
cookbook	A	downpour	B	father-in-law	B	gentleman	A
copperhead	C	downstairs	A	featherbed	B	ghostwriter	C
copycat	A	downtown	A	featherbrain	B	girlfriend	A
copyright	C	dragnet	C	feedback	B	give-and-take	C
cornbread	B	dragonfly	B	filmstrip	B	glowworm	B
cornhusk	B	drawbridge	B	fingernail	A	goldbrick	C
cornstarch	B	driftwood	B	fingerprint	A	goodwill	B
countdown	B	driveway	A	fire engine	B	gooseneck	C
cowboy	A	dropout	B	fire truck	A	grandchild	A
cowgirl	A	drugstore	A	firecracker	A	grandfather	A
cowhide	B	drumbeat	B	firefly	B	grandmother	A
crabgrass	B	drumstick	A	fireman	A	grandson	A
crew cut	C	dustpan	A	fireplace	A	grapefruit	A

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grapevine	B	heavyweight	B	jellyfish	A	mankind	B
grasshopper	A	henpeck	B	jetliner	B	manpower	C
grassroots	C	herself	A	jigsaw	B	mastermind	C
graveyard	B	high chair	A	keepsake	C	matchbook	B
greenhouse	B	highlight	B	keyboard	B	meanwhile	B
greyhound	B	highway	A	keynote	C	meatball	A
grindstone	C	hilltop	B	killjoy	C	middle class	B
groundwork	C	himself	A	knapsack	B	midnight	A
guardrail	B	hindsight	C	kneecap	B	milestone	C
guidebook	B	hitchhike	B	kneepad	B	milkman	A
gumdrop	A	hobbyhorse	B	knockout	B	milkweed	B
hairbrush	A	hogwash	C	knothole	B	moonbeam	B
haircut	A	holdup	B	ladybug	A	moonlight	A
hairline	B	home run	B	lamppost	B	moonstruck	C
halfback	B	homemade	A	landlady	B	moreover	B
hallmark	C	homemaker	B	landlord	B	mothball	B
hallway	A	homeroom	B	landmark	B	motorboat	B
hamstring	B	homespun	C	landslide	B	motorcycle	A
handbag	B	hopscotch	A	latchkey	C	mousetrap	A
handball	B	horseback	A	lawbreaker	B	mushroom	A
handbook	B	horsefly	B	leapfrog	B	nearby	A
handcuff	A	horsepower	B	leftover	B	necktie	A
handgun	B	horseradish	B	letterhead	B	needlepoint	B
handlebar	A	horseshoe	A	lifeboat	B	newscast	B
handmade	A	hot dog	A	lifeguard	A	newsletter	B
handshake	A	hotshot	B	lifestyle	B	newspaper	A
handstand	B	hourglass	B	lighthouse	A	nickname	A
handyman	B	houseboat	B	limelight	C	nightgown	A
hangnail	B	housecoat	B	limestone	B	nightmare	A
hangover	B	household	B	lineman	B	nightshirt	B
hardware	B	housewife	B	lipstick	A	nobody	A
hardwood	B	housework	A	lookout	B	northwest	B
hayloft	B	however	B	loophole	C	nosebleed	B
haystack	A	hummingbird	B	lovebird	B	notebook	A
headache	A	ice skate	B	lunchtime	A	nowhere	B
headgear	B	inchworm	B	mailman	A	nursemaid	B
headlight	B	instep	B	mainland	B	nutcracker	B
headphone	B	jackpot	C	mainstream	C	nutmeg	B
heartache	B	jawbreaker	B	makeup	B	oatmeal	A
heartbeat	A	jaywalk	B	manhole	B	offbeat	B
heartbreak	B	jellybean	A	manhunt	B	oneself	B

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outboard	B	pineapple	B	roadrunner	B	shipshape	C
outcome	B	pinpoint	C	rooftop	A	shipwreck	B
outfield	B	pinwheel	B	roommate	B	shoelace	A
outfit	A	pitchfork	B	rosebud	B	shoemaker	B
outgrow	B	playboy	B	rosebush	B	shoestring	A
outhouse	B	playground	A	rowboat	A	shoplifting	B
outlaw	B	playhouse	B	rubber band	A	shortstop	B
outlive	B	playmate	A	runway	B	showcase	B
output	C	playpen	A	saddlebag	B	showdown	B
outrage	C	playroom	A	safeguard	C	showoff	A
outside	A	plaything	B	sagebrush	B	sideburn	B
outsmart	B	plywood	B	sailboat	A	sidekick	B
overcast	B	pocketbook	B	salesclerk	B	sideline	B
overcoat	A	policemen	A	salesman	B	sidewalk	A
overdue	B	ponytail	A	saltwater	B	sideways	B
overheard	B	popcorn	A	sandblast	B	sightseeing	B
overlook	B	post office	A	sandpaper	B	silkworm	B
overpass	B	postcard	A	sandstorm	B	skateboard	B
overslept	B	postman	A	saucepan	B	skintight	B
overthrow	B	postmark	B	sawdust	B	skydive	B
overtime	B	pothole	B	sawhorse	B	skyrocket	B
overturn	B	proofread	B	sawmill	B	skyscraper	B
overwork	B	pushover	B	scapegoat	B	slapstick	C
pacemaker	C	quarterback	B	scarecrow	A	sleepyhead	B
painkiller	B	quicksand	B	scatterbrain	B	smallpox	B
paintbrush	A	racetrack	B	schoolbook	A	smokestack	B
pancake	A	railroad	A	schoolhouse	B	snakebite	B
paper clip	A	railway	B	schoolteacher	A	snow shovel	B
paperweight	B	rainbow	A	screenplay	B	snowball	A
passbook	B	rainfall	A	screwball	C	snowfall	B
patchwork	B	rainstorm	A	screwdriver	B	snowflake	A
paycheck	B	rattlesnake	A	sea gull	B	snowman	A
payoff	B	rawhide	B	seafood	B	snowmobile	B
peanuts	A	real estate	B	seahorse	B	snowplow	B
peppercorn	B	redhead	B	seashell	A	snowshoe	B
peppermint	A	redwood	B	seashore	B	snowstorm	B
pickup	A	reindeer	A	seat belt	A	snowsuit	B
piggyback	A	repairman	B	seaweed	B	soapsuds	B
pigtail	A	ringleader	B	secondhand	C	softball	B
pillowcase	B	ringside	B	self-esteem	C	software	B
pinball	B	ringworm	B	sheepskin	B	somebody	A

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someday	A	sunlight	A	toothpick	A	weatherman	B
somehow	B	sunlit	B	topsoil	B	wedlock	C
someplace	B	sunrise	A	touchdown	A	weekday	B
something	A	sunshine	A	towrope	B	weekend	A
somewhere	A	suntan	A	tugboat	B	weeknight	B
songbook	B	superhero	B	turnaround	B	whatever	B
soundproof	B	supermarket	B	turnpike	B	wheelchair	B
soybean	B	supernatural	B	turntable	B	whiplash	B
spacecraft	B	sweatshirt	B	turtledove	B	whirlpool	B
spaceship	B	sweetheart	B	turtleneck	B	whirlwind	B
spearmint	B	swimming pool	B	typeset	B	whitecap	C
spellbound	C	tablecloth	B	typewriter	B	whitewash	C
splashdown	B	tablespoon	B	undercover	B	widespread	B
springtime	B	taillight	B	underdog	B	wildcat	B
stagecoach	B	tailspin	C	underground	B	wildfire	B
staircase	B	taskmaster	B	underpass	B	wildflower	B
standby	B	taxpayer	B	undershirt	B	windbreaker	B
starfish	A	teacup	B	understand	A	windmill	A
stargazer	B	teammate	B	understood	A	windpipe	B
starlight	A	teamwork	B	undertaker	B	windshield	B
steamboat	B	teardrop	B	underwear	A	wingspan	B
stepladder	B	teaspoon	A	underweight	B	wintertime	B
stoplight	B	teenage	A	upkeep	B	wiretapping	B
storeroom	B	tennis court	B	uproot	B	wisecrack	C
storyteller	B	textbook	A	upset	A	wishbone	B
straightforward	C	themselves	B	upstairs	A	withdraw	B
strawberry	A	throughout	B	uptown	B	without	A
streamline	C	thumbtack	B	volleyball	B	woodpecker	A
streetcar	B	thunderstorm	B	waistline	B	woodpile	B
strikeout	B	tightrope	B	wallboard	B	woodwork	B
stronghold	C	timeshare	C	wallpaper	B	workbench	B
subway	B	timetable	B	warehouse	B	workbook	A
suitcase	A	tiptoe	A	washcloth	B	workman	B
summertime	B	toadstool	B	wastebasket	B	workout	B
sunbathe	B	toenail	A	watchdog	B	workroom	B
sunbeam	B	tomboy	B	watchman	B	worldwide	B
sunburn	A	tonight	A	watercolor	B	worrywart	C
sunburst	B	toolbox	A	waterfall	A	wristwatch	B
sundown	A	toothache	A	watermelon	A	yardstick	B
sunflower	A	toothbrush	A	waterproof	B	yearbook	B
sunglasses	A	toothpaste	A	wavelength	C	yourself	A