Compound Words: Join and Read

Answers and adult support.

The six compound words

1. sun + flower = sunflower. 2. rain + bow = rainbow. 3. bed + room = bedroom. 4. tooth + brush = toothbrush. 5. foot + ball = football. 6. snow + man = snowman.

Use the meaning clue

Snowball is a valid word too, but the clue asks for a person-shaped snow figure, so snowman fits this row. Check meaning as well as spelling. Each clue has a matching ending in the word bank.

Read back the whole word

Say both parts, then the joined word. These selected compound nouns are written as one word. Not every pair of words belongs together or is written as one word. Adult reading and scribing are welcome.

The drawing is open ended

Accept a recognisable interpretation of one completed word. Ask the child to name the compound and point to its two parts. Artistic skill is not assessed.