

Portmanteau words in English



Bennifer - Ben (Affleck) + Jennifer (Lopez)

Here are examples of English portmanteau words, along with their full forms:

Advertainment - advertisement + entertainment

Advertorial - advertisement + editorial

Aerobridge - aero + bridge

Affluenza - affluence + influenza

Alcopop - alcohol + pop

Alphanumeric - alphabetic + numeric

Animatronics - animation + electronics

Aquafaba - aqua (water) + faba (bean)

Armadillo - armor + dillo (Spanish diminutive of armadillo)

Astroturfing - astro (synthetic) + turfing (grassroots lobbying)

Athleisure - athletic + leisure

Autotune - automatic + tune

Backronym - back + acronym

Bankruptsy - bank + corruption + bankruptcy

Bankster - banker + gangster

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Bionic - biological + electronic

Biophysics - biology + physics

Blaccent - Black + accent

Blamestorming - blame + brainstorming

Blizzcon - Blizzard (Entertainment) + convention

Blogorrhea - blog + logorrhea (excessive writing)

Blogosphere - blog + atmosphere

Boatel - boat + hotel

Bollywood - Bombay + Hollywood

Brainiac - brain + maniac

Breathalyzer - breath + analyzer

Breathwork - breath + work (mindfulness practice)

Brexit - Britain + exit

Brinner - breakfast + dinner

Bromance - brother + romance

Brunch - breakfast + lunch

Buzzkill - buzz + kill

Camcorder - camera + recorder

Carbage - car + garbage

Carjacking - car + hijacking

Carpool - car + pool

Cashpoint - cash + point (ATM)

Catastrophize - catastrophe + exaggerate

Celebpreneur - celebrity + entrepreneur

Celebutante - celebrity + debutante

Chairdrobe - chair + wardrobe

Chillax - chill + relax

Chillpreneur - chill + entrepreneur

Chocoholic - chocolate + alcoholic

Chromebook - chrome + notebook

Climategate - climate + Watergate

Clingfilm - cling + film (plastic wrap)

Clopening - close + opening (shifts in retail)

Cloudscape - cloud + landscape

Clusterfunk - cluster + funk

Cockapoo - cocker spaniel + poodle

Comfierce - comfy + fierce

Commuterland - commuter + land

Conlang - constructed + language

Cosplay - costume + play

Couchsurfing - couch + surfing

Craigslist - Craig + list

Crowdfund - crowd + fund

Crowdsourcing - crowd + outsourcing

Crunchyroll - crunchy + roll (as in sushi, or slang for anime)

Cumberbitches - Cumberbatch (Benedict) + bitches (fans' self-referential term)

Cybercrime - cyber + crime

Cyborg - cybernetic + organism

Cyclocross - cycle + cross-country

Dancercise - dance + exercise

Darkweb - dark + web

Daycation - day + vacation

Designscape - design + landscape

Digibook - digital + book

Digitize - digital + analyze

Dishcovery - dish + discovery (culinary context)

Docudrama - documentary + drama

Docuseries - documentary + series

Dramedy - drama + comedy

Drinkies - drinks + nibbles

Drunkorexia - drunk + anorexia

Earthrise - earth + sunrise

Ecopreneur - eco + entrepreneur

Edutainment - education + entertainment

Electroclash - electronic + clash (music genre)

E-mail - electronic + mail

E-tailer - electronic + retailer

Eurail - Europe + rail

Fanboy - fan + boy

Fanfiction - fan + fiction

Fantabulous - fantastic + fabulous

Fanzine - fan + magazine

Farkle - fancy + sparkle (automotive customization)

Farmaceuticals - farm + pharmaceuticals

Fashionista - fashion + barista (slang for enthusiasts)

Fashpack - fashion + pack

Fatberg - fat + iceberg

Filmography - film + biography

Finsta - fake + Instagram

Flexitarian - flexible + vegetarian

Flexpreneur - flexible + entrepreneur

Flounce - flutter + bounce

Fluffernutter - fluff + nutter (marshmallow + peanut butter sandwich spread)

Flustrated - flustered + frustrated

Foodscape - food + landscape

Frappuccino - frappe + cappuccino

Frenemy - friend + enemy

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Frenzy - frantic + crazy

Frolf - frisbee + golf

Gastrolounge - gastronomy + lounge

Gastropub - gastronomy + pub

Gaydar - gay + radar

Ginormous - giant + enormous

Glamping - glamorous + camping

Globesity - global + obesity

Globish - global + English

Greige - gray + beige

Guesstimate - guess + estimate

Hackathon - hack + marathon

Hacktivist - hacker + activist

Hangry - hungry + angry

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Haterade - hate + Gatorade (slang for being a “hater”)

Helipad - helicopter + pad

Hollywood - holly + wood

Homophobe - homo (homosexual) + phobia

Hooverville - Hoover (President) + village (Depression-era camps)

Humongous - huge + monstrous

Hyperlocal - hyper + local

Idiotproof - idiot + proof (easily operable)

Infoload - information + overload

Infomercial - information + commercial

Infotainment - information + entertainment

Intercom - internal + communication

Japlish - Japanese + English

Jazzercise - jazz + exercise

Jazzhands - jazz + hands (theatrical gesture)

Jeepney - jeep + jitney (Philippine public transport vehicle)

Jobshare - job + share

Jorts - jeans + shorts

Jumbrella - jumbo + umbrella

Juvenoia - juvenile + paranoia

Keytar - keyboard + guitar

Kidult - kid + adult

Knork - knife + fork

Knowledgebase - knowledge + database

Laundromat - laundry + automat

Lazyscape - lazy + landscape

Leggings - legs + stockings

Liger - lion + tiger

Mathlete - math + athlete

Meatspace - meat + cyberspace (physical world)

Medicare - medical + care

Medivac - medical + evacuation

Mehdiocre - meh + mediocre

Melodrama - melody + drama

Metrosexual - metropolitan + heterosexual

Microbrewery - micro + brewery

Mocktail - mock + cocktail

Mocumentary - mock + documentary

Mondegreen - misheard + green (playfully misheard lyrics)

Motel - motor + hotel

Muggle - mundane + struggle (non-magical person in fantasy)

Multiverse - multiple + universe

Nauseating - nauseous + irritating

Netiquette - internet + etiquette

Newscaster - news + broadcaster

Newsfeed - news + feed

Newsjacking - news + hijacking

Nintendogs - Nintendo + dogs (game title)

Oxbridge - Oxford + Cambridge

Photobomb - photo + bomb

Pinterest - pin + interest

Pixel - picture + element

Pixelation - pixel + distortion

Podcast - iPod + broadcast

Polaroid - polarizing + celluloid

Prenup - prenuptial + agreement

Quarantine - quaranta (forty in Italian) + Latin "in"

Quillow - quilt + pillow

Realtor - real + agent (actor)

Roboadvisor - robot + advisor

Romcom - romantic + comedy

Schmooze - schmuck + ooze (Yiddish origin)

Screenager - screen + teenager

Shoegaze - shoe + gaze (music genre)

Shopaholic - shopping + alcoholic

Shoppertainment - shopping + entertainment

Sitcom - situational + comedy

Skort - skirt + shorts

Slanguage - slang + language

Smize - smile + eyes

Smog - smoke + fog

Snapchat - snapshot + chat

Snowmageddon - snow + Armageddon

Socialpreneur - social + entrepreneur

Soundscape - sound + landscape

Splatter - splash + spatter

Spork - spoon + fork

Staycation - stay + vacation

Sundowner - sunset + drink

Swatch - Swiss + watch

Tankini - tank top + bikini

Televangelist - television + evangelist

Textpectation - text + expectation

Transistor - transfer + resistor

Trashion - trash + fashion

Vlog - video + blog

Webinar - web + seminar

Wi-Fi - wireless + fidelity

Workaholic - work + alcoholic

Workcation - work + vacation

Zomcom - zombie + comedy

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