

Spelling list: Portmanteau Words

A portmanteau word is made up of two or more existing words that have been blended together.

Often portmanteau words start off as slang or nonsense words but later become part of Standard English due to being widely used.

The rise of technology and the internet, in particular, has led to many portmanteau words being created, e.g. pixel, emoticon, and vlog.

blog	Blog is a blend of 'web' and 'log'.
brunch	Brunch is a blend of 'breakfast' and 'lunch'.
cheeseburger	Cheeseburger is a blend of 'cheese' and 'hamburger'.
chortle	Chortle is a blend of 'chuckle' and 'snort'.
emoticon	Emoticon is a blend of 'emotion' and 'icon'.
escalator	Escalator is a blend of 'escalate' and 'elevator'.
fandom	Fandom is a blend of 'fan' and 'kingdom'.
fantabulous	Fantabulous is a blend of 'fantastic' and 'fabulous'.
frappuccino	Frappuccino is a blend of 'frappé' and 'cappuccino'.
frenemy	Frenemy is a blend of 'friend' and 'enemy'.
ginormous	Ginormous is a blend of 'gigantic' and 'enormous'.
hangry	Hangry is a blend of 'hungry' and 'angry'.
snark	Snark is a blend of 'snide' and 'remark'.