Business Compound Words

A compound noun is a noun that is made up of two or more nouns. The first noun describes the second noun in some way.

A compound noun can be:

- one word: password, website
- two words: business school, labour union, market sector
- a hyphenated word: fund-raiser

Compound nouns function as a single unit and that the stress is almost always on the first word of the compound noun.

For example:

- WEBsite
- SAFEty issue
- CHILD labor
- MARketplace
- TAX advantage

Practice

Practice saying the sentences below, focusing on putting the stress in the correct place.

- 1. I struggle with time management, so I'm trying to limit the amount of time I spend on websites that aren't related to work.
- 2. I need my passport for my upcoming business trip.
- 3. Their benefits package includes health insurance and other employee benefits.
- 4. We've redone the homepage on our website.
- 5. Workplace safety is a big issue for us, and we always try to identify potential safety risks in our manufacturing facilities.
- 6. The accounting firm has performance reviews in May and December.
- 7. Thousands of stock brokers work at the New York Stock Exchange.
- 8. We proudly display our mission statement in all our conference rooms.
- 9. There is a rumor of new government regulations which might affect our tax advantages.
- 10. They refuse to do business with any suppliers that use child labor.
- 11. Is this a credit card or a debit card?

Exercise Compound Nouns (Noun + Noun)

Werbeagentur	
Altersdiskriminierung	
Bankkredit	
Prämiensystem/Boni	
Geschäftsmodell	
Handelsschule	
Geschäftsreise	
Geschäftsleute	
Geschäftsfrau	
Kinderarbeit	
Konferenzraum	
Urheberrecht	
Kreditkarte	
EC-Karte	
Sozialzulage	
staatliche Vorschriften	
Gesundheitsvorsorge	
Personalwesen	
Arbeitsmarkt	
Gewerkschaft	
Productionsanlage	
Leitbild	
Betriebskosten	
Reisepass	
Mitarbeitergespräch	
Altersvorsorge	
Sicherheitsfragen	
Steuerabgaben	
Zeitwirtschaft	
Marke	
Arbeitskraft	