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compound word: butterfly

definition: insect with large, colorful wings

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compound word: \_\_\_\_\_

definition: \_\_\_\_\_

2. week + \_\_\_\_\_                      ness                      end                      ly

compound word: \_\_\_\_\_

definition: \_\_\_\_\_

3. basket + \_\_\_\_\_                      eggs                      ball                      straw

compound word: \_\_\_\_\_

definition: \_\_\_\_\_

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4. high + \_\_\_\_\_ speed sky way  
compound word: \_\_\_\_\_

definition: \_\_\_\_\_

5. gold + \_\_\_\_\_ road en fish  
compound word: \_\_\_\_\_

definition: \_\_\_\_\_

6. tea + \_\_\_\_\_ shirt pot warm  
compound word: \_\_\_\_\_

definition: \_\_\_\_\_

7. side + \_\_\_\_\_ walk door house  
compound word: \_\_\_\_\_

definition: \_\_\_\_\_

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compound word: \_\_\_\_\_

definition: \_\_\_\_\_

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compound word: **handshake**

definition: **a greeting in which you grip someone's hand and shake it**

2. week + **end** ness **end** ly

compound word: **weekend**

definition: **name for Saturday and Sunday**

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compound word: **basketball**

definition: **a sport in which you throw a round ball through a hoop**

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compound word: **highway**

definition: **large road where cars travel at high speeds**

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compound word: **goldfish**

definition: **small orange fish that are often kept as pets**

6. tea + pot                              shirt      **pot**      warm

compound word: **teapot**

definition: **pot that is placed on the stove for boiling water**

7. side + **walk**                      **walk**      door      house

compound word: **sidewalk**

definition: **a brick or concrete path for walking**

8. bed + **room**                      ding      soft      **room**

compound word: **bedroom**

definition: **room with a bed for sleeping**

9. fire + **place**                      hot      ing      **place**

compound word: **fireplace**

definition: **brick or stone area in a home where fires can safely burn**