



CONVERSION

When the spelling and pronunciation are the same, but the function, part of speech, the meaning have changed we have a conversion. It's a type of word-formation which consists of making a new word by changing the category of the part of speech. Conversation is one of the most productive types of English word-formation, because of the analytical type of the language.

Classification

1. It is when the noun is a name of a tool and the verb which is formed denotes an actions, which is performed by this tool:

Ex. a brush- to brush

a pencil – to pencil

a nail – to nail

2. When the noun is the name of an animal and the verb denotes an action or way of behavior for this animal:

Ex. a monkey- to monkey

!!! a wolf- to wolf (eat hungrily)

3. Nouns which denotes a part of a human body. When we form a verb, it denotes an action performed by this or that part of human body:

Ex. an elbow – to elbow (to push)

a shoulder – to shoulder (to support)

!!! a face – to face

a back – to back (to support)

**4. The nouns which are the names
of the professions or
occupations:**

**Ex. a cook – to cook
a nurse – to nurse**

**5. Nouns are the names of some places
and the verb denotes the process of
occupying the place or putting
something into it:**

Ex. a land –to land

a table – to table

a room –to room

a place – to place

6. Nouns are the names of a container and the verbs denote an act of putting something into it:

Ex. a bottle – to bottle

a pocket – to pocket

a can – to can

We eat what we can, and what we can't eat we can.

**7. Noun is the name of a meal, the
verb denotes the process of taking
this meal:**

**Ex. lunch – to lunch
breakfast – to breakfast**

Let's practise!

- Ink - to ink
- A fox - to fox
- A nose - to nose
- A doctor - to doctor
- A seat - to seat
- A pot - to pot
- Dinner - to dinner

