



# Inventing words

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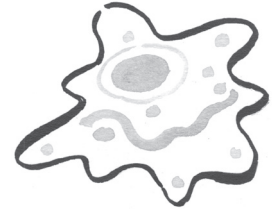
A microchip is a very small chip of silicone.

A microprocessor is a .....

A ..... is the climate of a very small area.

A ..... is a very small living thing.

An instrument used to look at very small objects is a .....



Find three more words beginning with the **prefix** micro- and explain their meanings.

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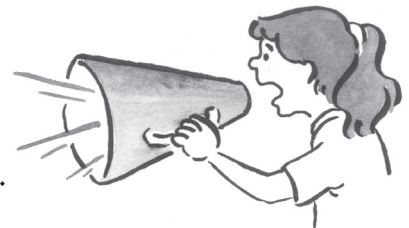
A megabyte is a very large unit of computer memory.

A megaphone is a .....

A megamouth is a shark with a .....

A megalopolis is a .....

A ..... is a very large stone or rock.



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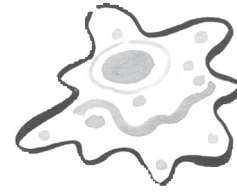
A micro chip is a very small chip of silicone.

A microprocessor is a circuit inside a computer.

A microclimate is the climate of a very small area.

A microorganism is a very small living thing.

An instrument used to look at very small objects is a microscope.



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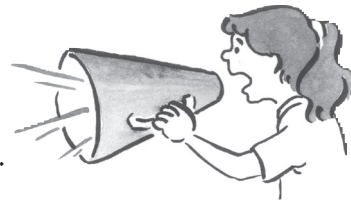
A mega byte is a very large unit of computer memory.

A megaphone is a funnel to amplify voice.

A megamouth is a shark with a very large mouth.

A megalopolis is a group of large towns.

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On this page, your child experiments with inventing and building words. You could extend this idea by asking your child to think up a word game based on invented words or to write a dictionary of invented words.