

CURTAILING AND JOINING

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In *Beheading and Joining* (Word Ways February 2015 page 65), a common letter, or group of letters, is removed from the beginning of 2 words and the 2 remaining sets of letters are joined to form a word. For example: ACES + ACETONE = STONE.

In *Curtailing and Joining*, a common letter, or group of letters, is removed from the end of 2 words and the 2 remaining sets of letters are joined to form a word. Here are 2 each of A to Z examples:

PINTAIL + SAIL = PINTS
LUNAR + CHAR = LUNCH

WEBBER (surname) + CAMBER = WEBCAM
TABLE + TUMBLE = TATUM (a first name)

SAUCE + DICE = SAUDI
RACING + PIERCING = RAPIER

CARD + BOND = CARBON
EDDY + WINDY = EDWIN

PANE + THERE = PANTHER
MINER + USER = MINUS

CONIFER + CALFER = CONICAL
WILFULLY + LAWFULLY = WILLAW (surname)

PRIG + SONG = PRISON
MERGER + MANGER = MERMAN

INCH + ASH = INCAS
GATHER + ESHER (town in UK) = GATES

ACTION + ORION = ACTOR
BITE + ACONITE = BACON

MOJO + BANJO = MOBAN (a medicine)
PERJURE + INJURE = PERIN (surname)

TAKER + BOOKER = TABOO
ANKLE + TICKLE = ANTIC

PALER + TELLER = PATEL (surname)
HOLLY + LOWLY = HOLLOW

MIMER + CROMER (town in UK) = MICRO
CARMINE + ERMINE = CARER

TURNER + INNER = TURIN
MIGRANT + TENT = MIGRATE

HERO + RINGO = HERRING
HERON + MESON = HERMES

THORPE + APE = THORA
SHAPER + LEPER = SHALE

TARQUIN + SEQUIN = TARSE (old 'penis')
EQUIP + REQUIP (a medicine) = ERE

PART + GERT = PAGE
STARRY + TRY = START

COSH + STASH = COSTA
COST + COAST = COCOA

SLIT + MET = SLIME
BANTER + ALTER = BANAL

INURE + VENTURE = INVENT
ROUTE + ASTUTE = ROAST

SALVE + SAVE = SALSA
SHIVER + NEVER = SHINE

COWARD + HEREWARD = COHERE
SHOWER + NEWER = SHONE

MIX + TREX (a baking fat) = MITRE
FLEXY + SEXY = FLESE (surname)

BUY + STY = BUST
PAYS + DREYS = PADRE

LIZ + FEZ = LIFE
PANZER + DAZER (surname) = PANDA