

Long words are short words joined

Name _____

- 1 WRITE IT FIVE WAYS:** The English word is given. Write each word in the other four languages, copying carefully from the board.

ENGLISH	IRISH	FRENCH	GERMAN	SPANISH
Wardrobe				
Desk				
Bookshelf				

- 2 FIND WHAT THEY SHARE:** Look along each line. Two of the words are closer to each other than the rest. Write which two, and the letters they have in common.

Wardrobe (English) · **Vardrús** (Irish) · **l'armoire** (French) · **der Kleiderschrank** (German) · **el armario** (Spanish)

The two that look closest: _____ and _____

Letters they share: _____

Desk (English) · **Deasc** (Irish) · **le bureau** (French) · **der Schreibtisch** (German) · **el escritorio** (Spanish)

The two that look closest: _____ and _____

Letters they share: _____

Bookshelf (English) · **Seilf leabhar** (Irish) · **l'étagère** (French) · **das Bücherregal** (German) · **la estantería** (Spanish)

The two that look closest: _____ and _____

Letters they share: _____

- 3 WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW:** Tick the ones that feel true. Write one more of your own on the last line.

☐ Explain that some languages build long words from shorter meaningful parts

☐ Spot short pieces inside a longer German furniture word

☐ Argue whether one long word is clearer than several short ones

☐ _____