Word Roots

Set 2: Introduction

LEVEL 4
RV1

Directions:

1. With your tutor, read each word root and its meaning.
2. Look up each challenge word in the dictionary.
3. Then look up each challenge word in the dictionary.
4. Discuss how the root meaning applies to the word meaning.
5. Read each sentence and write the correct challenge word in the blank.

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Root: **agri** (L) *Meaning:* **field**

Challenge Words **agriculture** **agronomist**

1. We asked the _____ about the local grasses and plants.
2. The farmer's son loved everything about farming so he studied _____ in school.

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Root: **ceive, cept** (L) *Meaning:* **receive**

Challenge Words **accept** **conception**

1. At _____, the ovary and sperm unite.
2. Who will _____ the award for the winner who is unable to attend the ceremony?

Root: **geo** (G) *Meaning:* **earth**

Challenge Words **geologist** **geography**

1. We had to memorize the continents and oceans in _____ class.
2. The _____ at the Grand Canyon explained the different layers of rock that could be seen.

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Root: **mem** (L) *Meaning:* **mindful**

Challenge Words **memory** **remember**

1. _____ to turn the lights out when you leave.
2. The _____ of winning first place stayed with the pageant queen for the rest of her life.

Root: **paleo** (G) *Meaning:* **old**

Challenge Words **paleontology** **Paleolithic**

1. The arrowheads found in our backyard proved to be from the _____ era.
2. My brother dearly loves really old artifacts so he is going to study _____ in school.

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Root: **rect** (L) *Meaning:* **straight**

Challenge Words **erect** **rectangle** **correct**

1. The art teacher demonstrated the _____ way to hold a paint brush.
2. A _____ has four straight sides.
3. Washington's Monument is tall and _____.

Root: **sim** (L) *Meaning:* **like**

Challenge Words **similar** **simulate** **simile**

1. When two things are compared, it is called a _____.
2. The policewoman chose to _____ the crime by having actors re-enact the robbery.
3. Twins don't always look _____ to one another.

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Root: **tain** (L) *Meaning:* **hold**

Challenge Words **retainer** **contain** **maintain**

1. Now you've reached your ideal weight, will you be able to _____ it?
2. A _____ wall was built to hold back the sea.
3. Dancing with joy, the elated woman could not _____ her happiness.

Root: **vag** (L) *Meaning:* **wander**

Challenge Words **vague** **vagabond** **vagrancy**

1. As I read the directions, I found the part about going through the woods to be _____.
2. The policeman told the suspicious-looking character to move along or he'd be charged with _____.
3. The _____ never spent much time in any one town.

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Set 2: Practice

Directions:

Beforehand, cut out the cards. At your tutoring session:

1. Shuffle the Root Cards and lay them out face up.
2. Shuffle the Meaning Cards and give them to your student.
3. Challenge your student to match the root with its meaning.

Root agri	**MEANING** field
Root ceive, cept	**MEANING** receive
Root geo	**MEANING** earth

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Root	MEANING
mem	mindful of
paleo	old
rect	straight
sim	like
tain	hold
vag	wander

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Name _____

Set 2: Check Up

Date _____

Gauging progress…

Read each sentence below. Fill in the blank with the appropriate word from the Word Box.

Word Box

agrarian reception geode memorial

paleontologist rectify simultaneous detain vagrant

1. The children tried to _____ their mishap by gluing the broken dish's pieces back together.
2. The _____ became very excited by his discovery of bowls from 6000 B.C.
3. To be mindful of the many who had sacrificed their lives for our freedom, the town erected a new war _____ in the town square.
4. Wandering from street corner to street corner, the _____ was in search of a hot meal.
5. Holding the witnesses to get their accounts of the crime, the policewoman did not _____ detain them for long.
6. We didn't receive good radio _____ at the cabin in the woods.
7. It was clear from the many fields of crops that we were in a(n) _____ county.
8. The geologists dug up a sparkling purple _____ that had been forming in the earth for thousands of years.
9. The _____ crack of thunder and flash of lightning scared the hikers.

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