

EXACT TEKS WORDING (FROM TEA)

“identify the meaning of and use words with affixes such as trans-, super-, -ive, and -logy and roots such as geo and photo”

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO ME?

Big words are built from smaller parts. Each part carries meaning.

When I find a prefix, suffix, or root, I can use it to figure out a word I do not know.

I check my meaning in the sentence to be sure it makes sense.

THIS WEEK’S FOCUS

ROOT GEO

The root **geo** means “earth”. A root is a word part that carries the main meaning of a word. Many roots come from Greek or Latin.

from “A Harvest to Remember”

This week we move across five thinking levels: **NOTICE** → **CHOOSE** → **SHOW** → **OWN** → **DEFEND**.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

NOTICE

I can notice word parts.

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“identify the meaning of and use words with affixes such as trans-, super-, -ive, and -logy and roots such as geo and photo”

Notice the root.

Read this sentence from the passage. Find the word with the root geo.

“He also understood the geography of the area and showed them how to use the land in ways that worked best.”

I CAN I can find a word with the root geo in our reading.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

CHOOSE

I can choose the meaning of a word part.

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Choose what geo means.

The word geography has the root geo. What does geo mean?

geography = geo + graphy

A. light B. self C. earth

I CAN I can choose the meaning of the root geo.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

SHOW

I can break a word into parts.

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Show how the parts build the word.

Break the word geology into parts. What does it mean in this sentence?

EXTRA EXAMPLE (NOT FROM THE PASSAGE)

“Geology helps people learn about the rocks and soil in a new land.”

geology = ____ + ____

I CAN I can break a word into parts and build its meaning.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

OWN

I can build and use new words.

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Own it. Build and use your own word.

Build a word with the root geo. Use your new word in a sentence.

geo + graphy = ? • geo + logy = ? • geo + logist = ?

Build one word. Use it in a sentence.

I CAN I can build new words with the root geo and use them correctly.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

DEFEND

I can defend a word's meaning.

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Defend the meaning.

How do the root and the sentence prove what geology means?

EXTRA EXAMPLE (NOT FROM THE PASSAGE)

“Geology helps people learn about the rocks and soil in a new land.”

Use the word part AND the sentence to explain.

I CAN I can use a word part and the sentence to prove what a word means.

Your turn. Find more word parts.

Go back to the passage. Find another word with the root geo or another word part you know. Break it apart and explain it.

Go back to the reading.

Find one more word with a word part.

Write the word, break it into parts, and tell what it means.

I CAN I can break a new word into parts and explain its meaning.

Answers across the five thinking levels.

NOTICE

Geography. It has the root geo: geo + graphy.

CHOOSE

C. earth. Geography means the land and features of a place.

SHOW

Geo + logy. In this sentence, geology means the study of the earth's rocks and soil.

OWN

geography, geology, geologist. Answers vary. Example: A geologist studied the rocks near the river.

DEFEND

The root geo means earth, so geology is the study of the earth's rocks and soil. The sentence says it helps people learn about the soil in a new land.

YOUR TURN

Answers vary. One example: wisely (wise + ly), which means in a wise way.

READ THIS SENTENCE FROM THE PASSAGE.

He also understood the geography of the area and showed them how to use the land in ways that worked best.

The Greek root geo means earth. What does geography mean in this sentence?

- A** the history of the people there
- B** the land and features of a place
- C** the plants that grew in the soil
- D** the light that shines on the land

The answer is B.

- A** **the history of the people there**
History is about past events, not the earth.
- B** **the land and features of a place**
Correct. Geo means earth, and the sentence talks about using the land.
- C** **the plants that grew in the soil**
Plants are a nearby detail, not the whole meaning.
- D** **the light that shines on the land**
Light is the meaning of photo, not geo.