

EXACT TEKS WORDING (FROM TEA)

“demonstrate and apply spelling knowledge by spelling words using knowledge of prefixes, suffixes, and roots, including Greek and Latin roots”

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO ME?

A root is the main word part that carries the meaning.

The Greek root meter means measure.

Add prefixes and suffixes to the root to build new words.

THE SPELLING RULE**Root meter, meaning measure**

thermometer perimeter diameter kilometer
barometer speedometer centimeter odometer
millimeter geometry

The Greek root meter means measure.

WHERE THEY APPEAR: “The thermometer measures heat, and a ruler measures the perimeter.”

This deck teaches **Root meter, meaning measure** across the five RPLD thinking levels: **NOTICE** → **CHOOSE** → **SHOW** → **OWN** → **DEFEND**.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

NOTICE

"I can notice the root."

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Notice the root.

Find the root inside the word.

thermometer = thermo + meter

I CAN I can notice the root in a word.

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CHOOSE

"I can choose the correct spelling."

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Choose the correct spelling.

Which spelling is correct?

thermometer • thermomter • thermometor

I CAN I can choose the correctly spelled word.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

SHOW**"I can show the rule with a root word."****EXACT TEKS WORDING***"demonstrate and apply spelling knowledge by spelling words using knowledge of prefixes, suffixes, and roots, including Greek and Latin roots"***Show the rule.**

Build or spell the word.

peri + meter = _____**I CAN** I can build the word correctly.

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OWN

"I can own the rule with a new word."

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Own the rule.

Build a new word on your own.

kilo + meter = _____

I CAN I can spell a new word on my own.

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DEFEND

"I can explain and transfer the rule."

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Explain and transfer.

Explain the root, then spell one word of your own.

"The thermometer showed the temperature outside," she said.

I CAN I can explain the root and use a word in my own writing.

Your turn to spell.

Build each word, then use one in a sentence about the reading.

thermo + meter → _____ **peri + meter** → _____ **di + a + meter** → _____ **kilo +**
meter → _____ **centi + meter** → _____

I CAN I can spell words with the root on my own.

Answers, across the five thinking levels.

NOTICE

thermometer = thermo + meter.

CHOOSE

thermometer is correct.

SHOW

peri + meter = perimeter.

OWN

kilo + meter = kilometer.

DEFEND

The root keeps its spelling in every word; a correct student word might be perimeter, diameter, or kilometer.

YOUR TURN

thermometer, perimeter, diameter, kilometer, centimeter

READ THIS SENTENCE.

Each choice is one way to spell the same word.

Which word is spelled correctly?

A perimeter

B perimiter

C parimeter

D perimeeter

The answer is **A**.

A perimeter · Correct. meter means measure and ends the word.

B perimiter · Spells meter with i.

C parimeter · Spells peri with a.

D perimeeter · Doubles the e.