



Objective

The student will identify the meaning of roots.

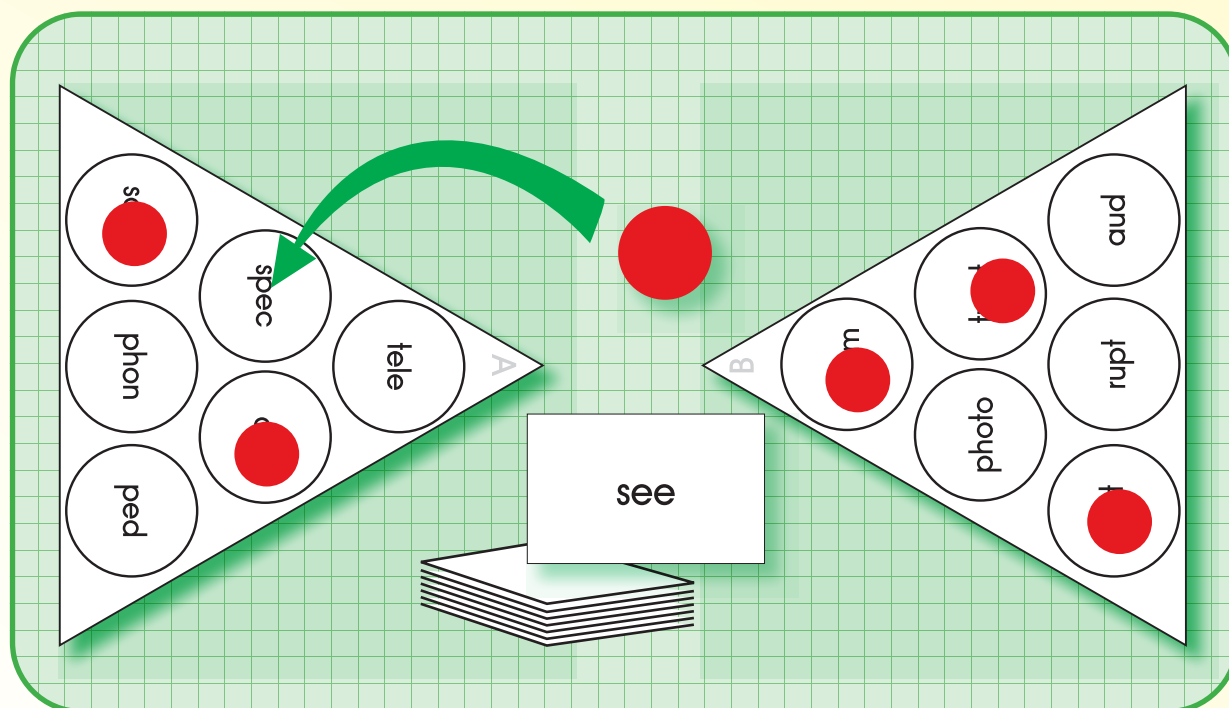
Materials

- ▶ Root triangles
 - There are two triangles marked “A” and “B.” One student will use the “A” triangle and the other will use the “B” triangle.*
- ▶ Meaning cards
- ▶ Game pieces (e.g., counters)

Activity

Students find roots that correspond to meanings by playing a matching game.

1. Place meaning cards face down in a stack. Provide each student with a different root word triangle.
2. Taking turns, students draw a card from the stack and read the meaning (e.g., see).
3. Look on triangle for the root word that matches the meaning (i.e., spec). If found, read the root and place game piece on the root. Place meaning card in a discard pile. If not found, place meaning card on bottom of stack.
4. Continue until both triangles are filled.
5. Peer evaluation



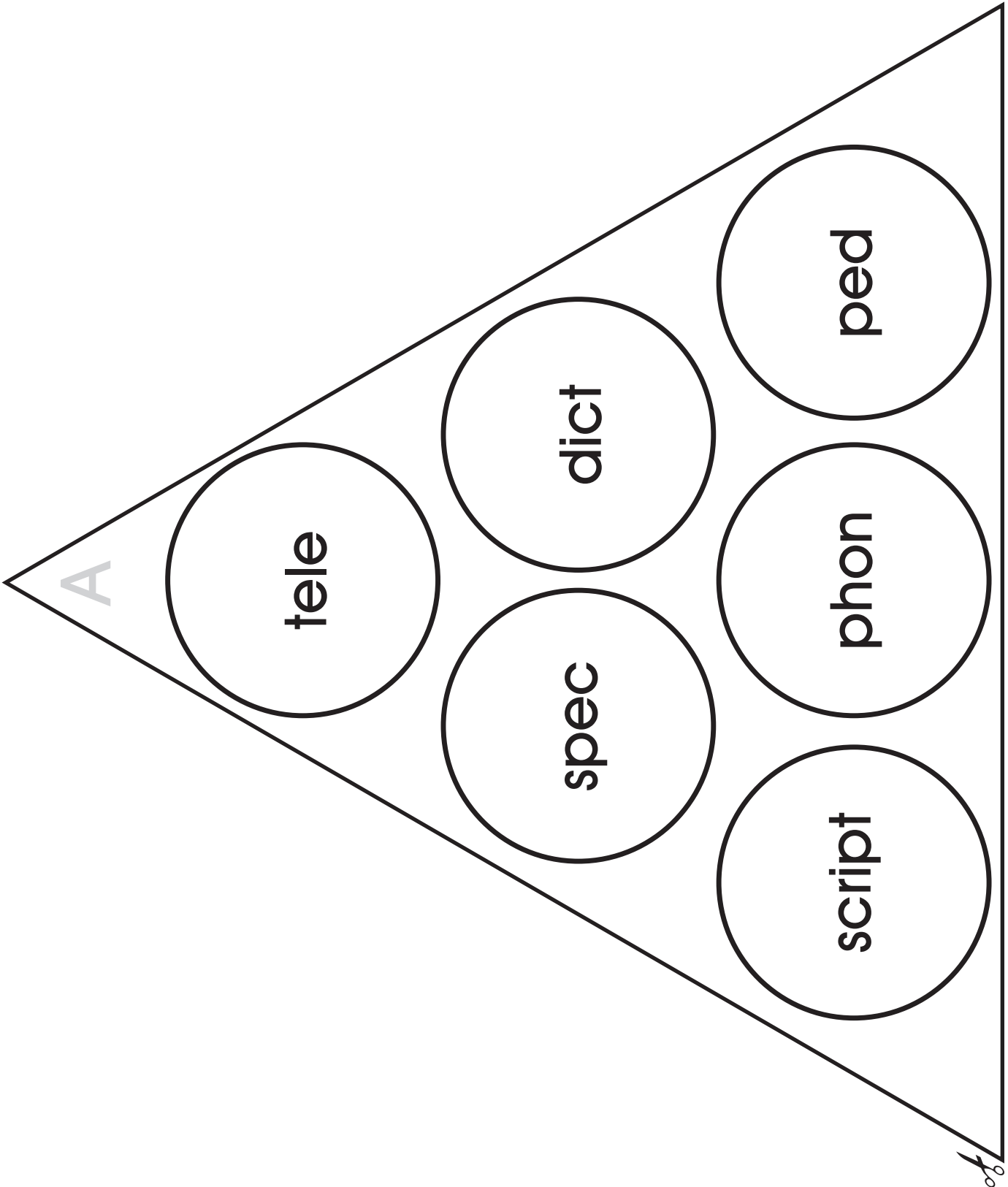
Extensions and Adaptations

- ▶ Play game by using roots on triangles to complete words.
- ▶ Write a root that completes each set of words.
- ▶ Make root word triangles and meaning cards.

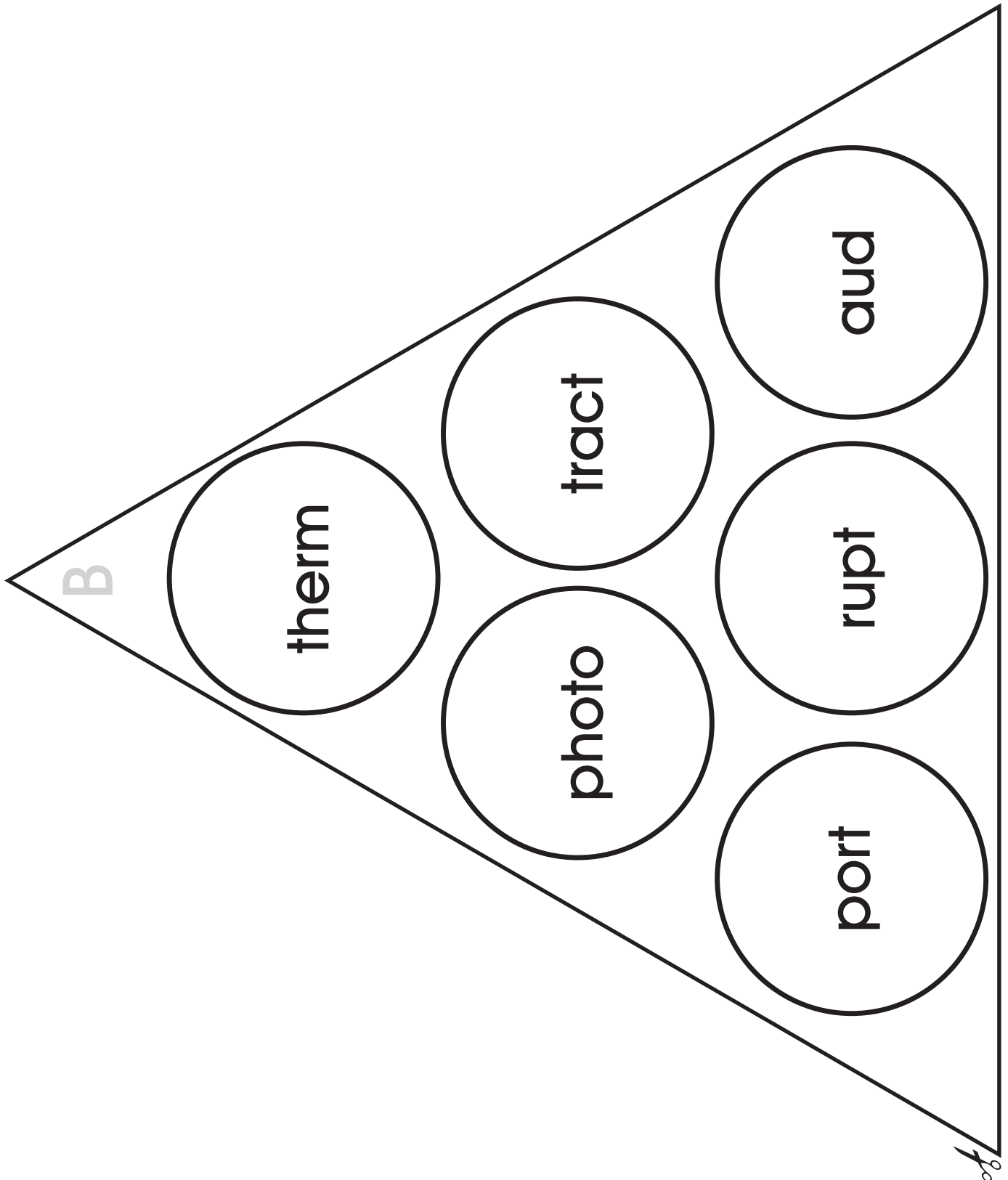
Vocabulary

Rooting for Meaning!

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root triangle



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far or distant

see

say

write

sound

foot

heat

light

meaning cards — answers (left to right): tele, spec, dict, script, phon, ped, therm, photo 

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drag or pull

carry

break

hear

meaning cards — answers (left to right): tract, port, rupt, aud



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_____ vision

_____ tacle

_____ ation

pre _____ ion

sym _____ y

_____ estrian

_____ OS

_____ synthesis

word cards — answers: television, spectacle, dictation, prescription,
symphony, pedestrian, thermos, photosynthesis



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_____or

im_____

inter_____

_____ience

word cards — answers: tractor, import, interrupt, audience



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_____graph

_____phone

_____scope

in _____t

_____tator

re _____t

_____ate

_____ionary

pre _____

tran _____

manu _____

pre _____ion

_____ograph

micro _____e

_____ics

_____al

_____estal

mo _____

_____ostat

_____al

_____ometer

_____graph

_____synthesis

_____genic

word cards — answers: tele, spec, dict, script, phon, ped, therm, photo



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Rooting for Meaning!

_____ion con_____	im_____
sub_____	_____able
e_____	trans_____
_____ure	_____io
dis_____	_____itorium
con_____ion	_____ience
in_____	re_____
_____ure	uni_____
dia_____	_____al
_____mar	tele_____e
tele_____	micro_____e
	stetho_____e

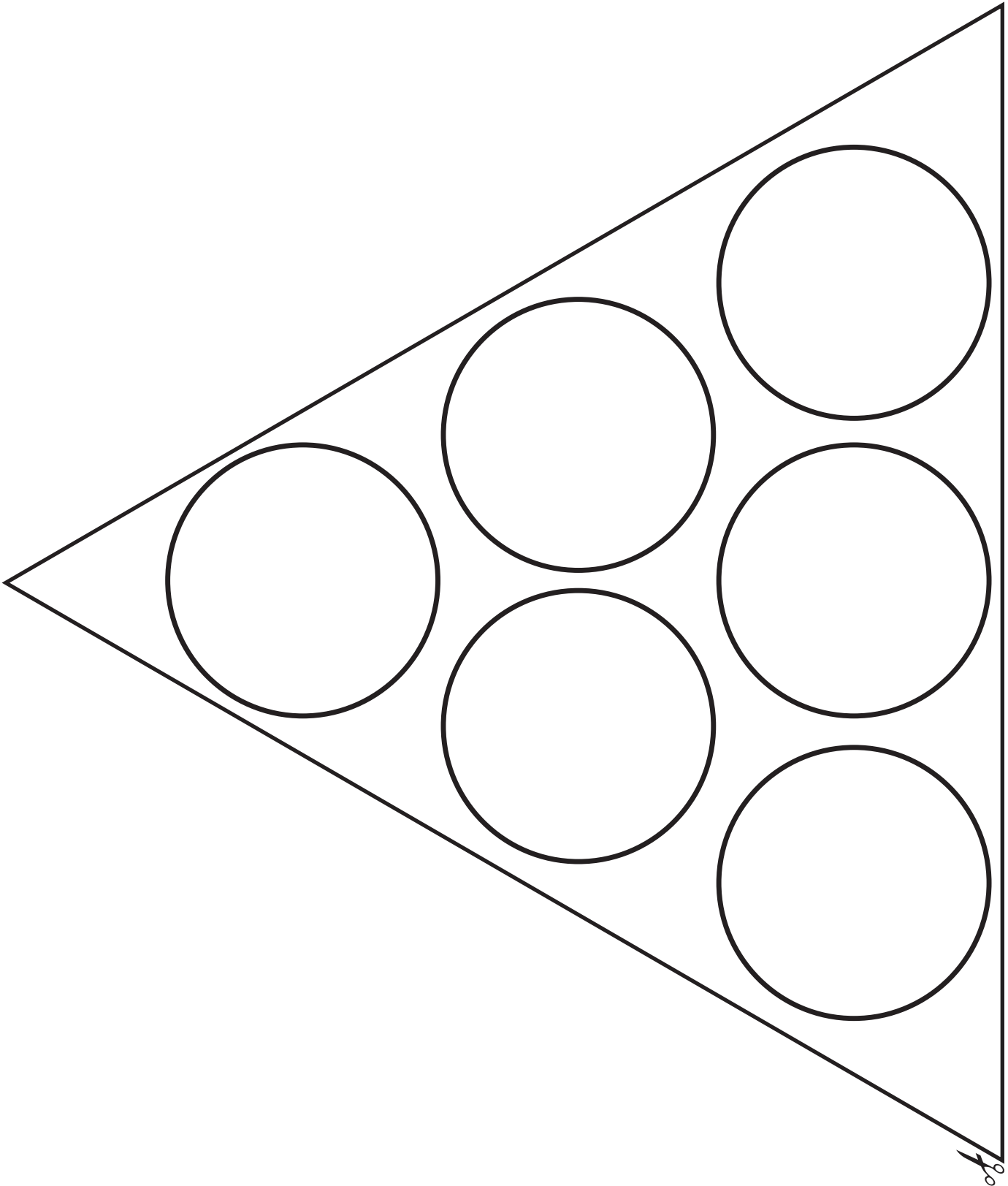
word cards — answers: tract, port, rupt, aud, struct, form, gram, scop



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blank triangle