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## The Word Within the Word Vocabulary Homework—Lesson 5

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### **Word Hunt:**

Read the following text. Highlight or circle the word containing the root. In the space provided on the back, tell what you think the underlined word means based on your context clues.

Today is the day! In just 20 minutes I will see my first ever lunar eclipse; one of the few times the sun is completely blocked. I've heard they are beautiful; however, I have been warned not to look directly at it as it may hurt my eyes. So I have created a viewing apparatus, if you will, where a microscopic hole has been punctured into the center of an index card. It's pretty fancy. I can hardly contain my excitement! But for now, I sit and wait in this mundane geology class. I mean, who wants to learn about rocks?! My passion is astrophysics. I want to know all I can about space and the great beyond. I've already studied the basic constellations, but I am eager to know more!

This morning before school, I made sure to synchronize my watch with the NASA satellite that predicted the exact moment the eclipse would take place. To my delight, I found that the event would happen in the seven-minute exchange of classes. How lucky is that? Okay...okay...I know what you're thinking. NERD!! Contrariwise to popular belief, I find myself to be quite cool. My metacognition has earned me much praise among my professors and my peers. Although, I did get a slushy to the face two days ago. Hmmm...nope, no second guessing. I am the coolest!

Oh! The bell! It's time. Maybe if I make a run for it, I can get in a good position in front of all the other people who want to see this show. My pedometer indicated that I have 50 steps to take before making it to the perfect location. And yes, I did figure this out yesterday in preparation for the blessed event.

I made it to my spot. Where is everyone? Oh well. I have a good spot anyway. Let me get my apparatus out. Here we go!

The sky darkens and I notice the thermometer on the wall to my right drops. You can feel the sudden chill in the air. The eclipse is brilliant! There is a warm glow surrounding the moon as if it suddenly caught on fire. This is the most beautiful experience of my life so far! I am astonished at how cool this is and everyone is missing it! The fools. I feel a surge of energy and am revitalized only to realize that I am absolutely alone. Seriously, where is everybody? Oh no! Class started five minutes ago. I think I'm going to hyperventilate; I am completely out of breath! I can't be late to class again! My parents are going to be so angry. I wonder if the teacher will understand my plight. Better run!

**Definitions: Write the word, the root, and the definition for each word using context clues. DO NOT USE THE DICTIONARY!**

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