



Root Word	Meaning	Origin
cycl	circle	Greek
circ/circum	around	Latin
centr/center	middle	Greek



cycle

(n) - a set of events or actions that happen again and again in the same

order; a repeating series of events or actions

The water cycle consists of evaporation, condensation, precipitation,

collection, and then back to evaporation.

cyclical

(adj) - happening again and again in the same order; happening in cycles

The seasons of Earth change in a **cyclical** manner.

cyclone

(n) - an extremely large, powerful, and destructive storm with very high

winds that turn around in an area of low pressure

The spinning **cyclone** ripped trees right out of the ground.

circumference

(n) - the length of a line that goes around a circle or other round shape

In math we learned the formula for finding the distance around, or

circumference, of a circle.

circuit

(n) - the complete path that an electric current travels along

In science we studied how electricity travels around in a circuit to power a

light bulb.

circumstance

(n) - a condition that surrounds or causes an event to happen

A number of **circumstances** (broken alarm clock, traffic, and illness) caused

me to be late to work today.

circumvent

(v) - to get around something in a clever and sometimes dishonest way

He tried to circumvent the password screen in order to gain access to her

computer.

central

(adj) - located in the center of a thing or place

Guatemala is in **Central** America.

concentric

(adj) - when two or more objects share the same center point

You can use your compass to draw **concentric** circles.

eccentric

(adj) - tending to act in strange or unusual ways

Jamie definitely had an eccentric sense of style; she wore clothes and

hairstyles that no one had ever seen before.

DIRECTIONS: Choose two words that BEST explain or define the bold root word.

1. cycle	a. repeats	b. uncertain	c. predictable	d. unknown
2. cyclical	a. irregular	b. recurring	c. pattern	d. random
3. cyclone	a. spinning	b. twister	c. calm	d. dry
4. circumference	a. outside	b. inside	c. center	d. length
5. circuit	a. broken	b. continuous	c. flow	d. end
6. circumstance	a. effects	b. cause	c. outcome	d. reasons
7. circumvent	a. bypass	b. avoid	c. arrange	d. resist
8. central	a. distant	b. middle	c. center	d. edge
9. concentric	a. same	b. center	c. congruent	d. odd
10. eccentric	a. typical	b. different	c. common	d. unique

DIRECTIONS: Circle the analogy that BEST matches the bold words.

1. ELECTRICITY: CIRCUIT

a) wheels: bicycle b) light bulb: wires c) electric: current

d) car: hood

4. CYCLE: REPEATS

a) patterns: random b) grows: child c) predator: preys d) friend: teases

7. CIRCUMSTANCE: CAUSE

a) round: circle b) outcome: effect c) problem: excuse d) defend: reason

9. ECCENTRIC: LIKENESS

a) illness: well b) same: alike c) generous: greed

d) strange: odd

2. CENTRAL: OUTER

a) middle: center b) energetic: tired c) location : area d) town: street

5. CIRCUMFERENCE: CIRCLE

a) area: rectangle b) circle: square c) center: middle d) perimeter: square

8. CIRCUMVENT: VERB

a) storm: noun b) cheat: honesty c) deceive: adjective d) approach: adverb

10. CONCENTRIC: CENTER

a) circles: size b) area: rectangles c) pattern: unpredictable d) siblings: parents

3. CYCLONE: DESTROY

a) fire: spark b) storm: flood c) spin: twist d) wave: tsunami

4. CYCLICAL: RECURRING

a) random: unpredictable

b) relaxing: stressful c) created: artificial

d) patterned: unexpected



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DIRECTIONS: Sort the words from this lesson into the table below. Then find additional words with the same roots and place them in the appropriate column/row.

root	verb	noun	adjective	adverb
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circ/ circum				
centr/ center				

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1. List specific examples of cycles.

2. If you circumvent something you...

3. How is the meaning of eccentric related to the root "centr?"

4. What are characteristics of something that is cyclical?

5. What circumstances might cause you to lose sleep?

4A: SENTENCE COMPLETION PROPRETERRAL PROPRETERRAL PROPRETER PROPRE

DIRECTIONS: Complete the following sentences with the correct word from your list. Each word will be used only once.



cycle
cyclical
cyclone
circumference
circuit
circumstance
circumvent
central
concentric
eccentric

1.	The	of a circle is like	the perimeter of a rectangle.
2.	If you throw a stone into on the water's surface.	a pond it will ma	kecircles
3.	In science there are a nu over and over again.	umber of natural	that occu
4.	If there is a loose wire in y flow through to the light		the electricity will not
5.	There seems to be a appear to repeat themse		_nature in history as events
6.	The bank robbers tried to turning the power off in t		the security cameras by
7.	Kansas is one of the	-	states in the U.S.
8.	The wind thrashed aroun approached.	d violently as the	9
9.	Everyone laughed at the	inventor's odd o	andideas
10.	What	could affect y	our chances of passing a test?

DIRECTIONS: Respond to the following statements by circling "Yes" or "No."

- 1. Yes No A central location would be right in the middle of something.
- 2. **Yes No** A **circumstance** is the distance around the outside of a circle.
- 3. Yes No A cycle is unpredictable and random.
- 4. Yes No If you circumvent something you found a way around it.
- 5. Yes No Concentric circles all share the same circumference.
- 6. Yes No An eccentric person probably blends in with his/her peers.
- 7. **Yes No** The flow of water throughout the pipes in your home is an example of a **circuit**.
- 8. **Yes No** A **cyclone** gets its name from it circular rotation.
- 9. Yes No A circle's circumference is the same as its width.
- 10. Yes No Something can be described as cyclical if it has repeated phases or events.