



If the Clue Fits

Objective

The student will identify affixes, roots, base words, syllables, and variant correspondences in words.

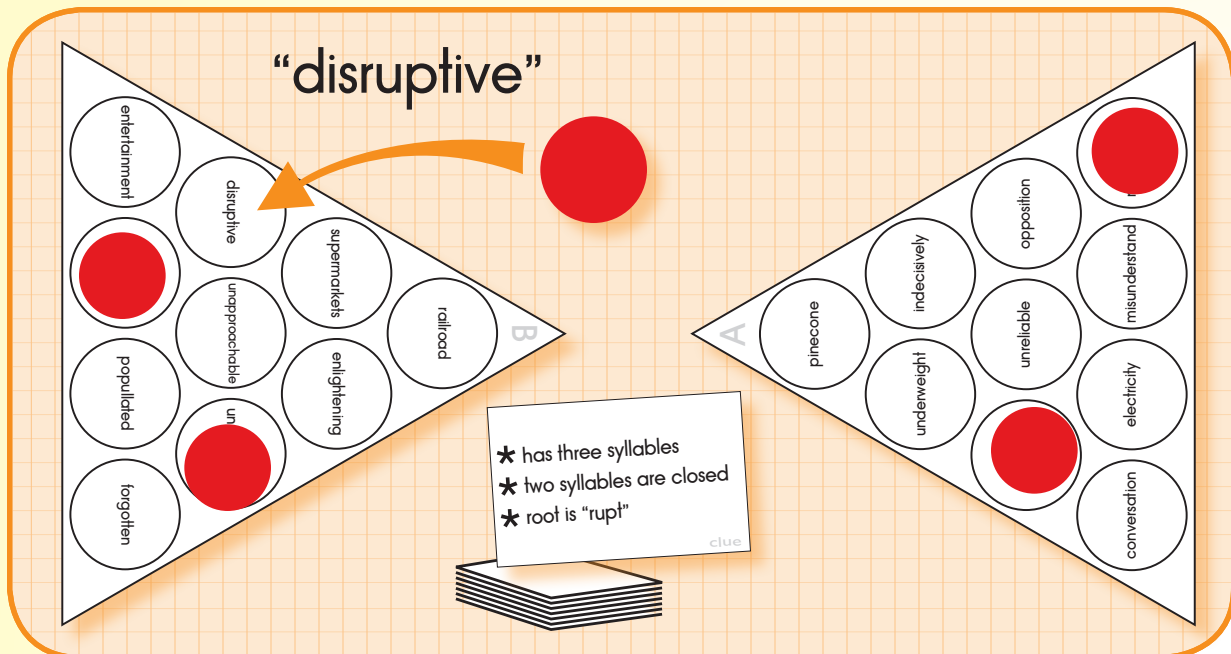
Materials

- ▶ If the Clue Fits triangles (Activity Master AP.021.AM1a - AP.021.AM1b)
- ▶ Clue cards (Activity Master AP.021.AM2a - AP.021.AM2c)
- ▶ Answer key (Activity Master AP.021.AM3a - AP.021.AM3b)
An answer key is provided for optional use.
- ▶ Game pieces (e.g., counters)

Activity

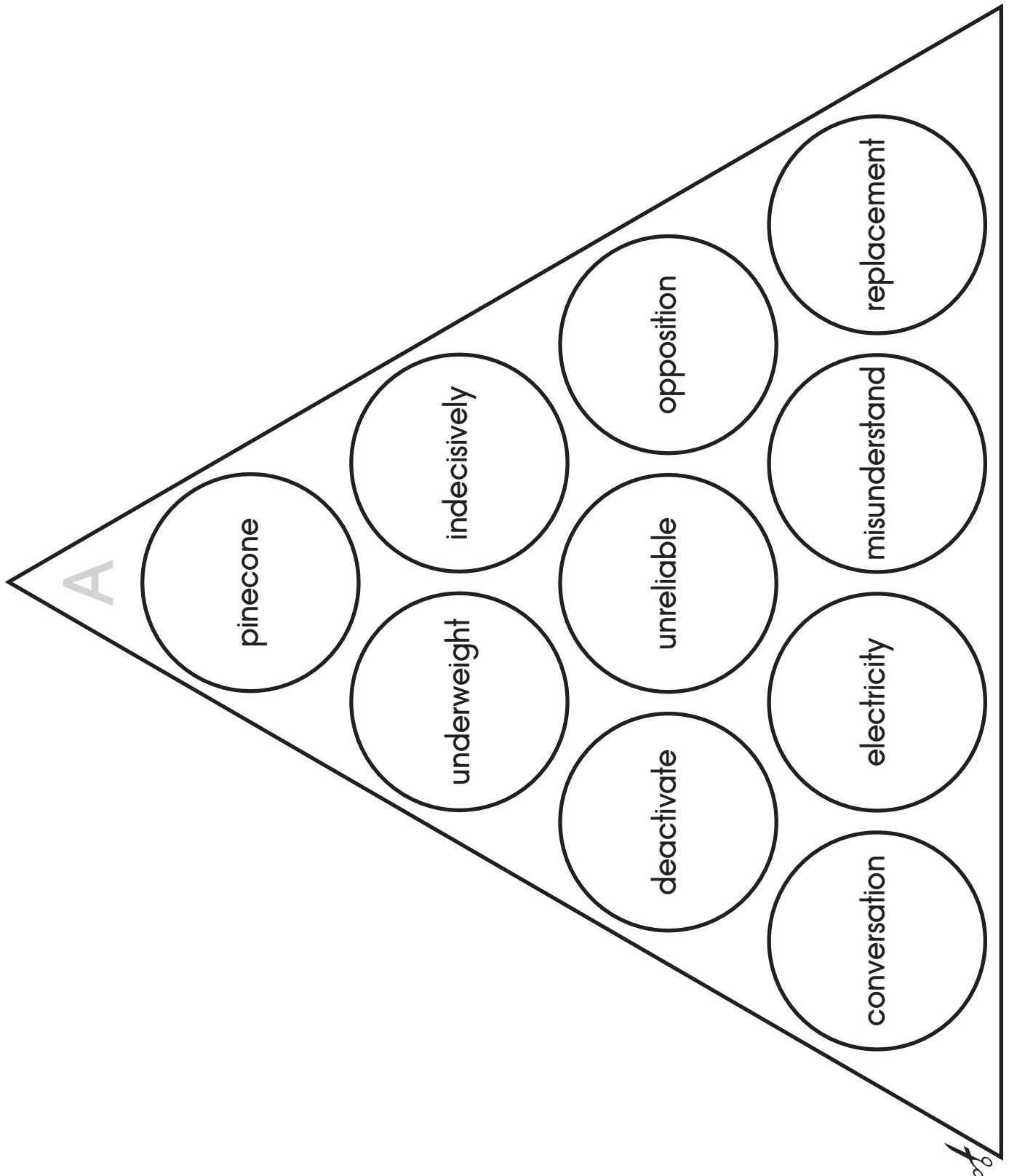
Students identify words by using advanced phonics-related clues.

1. Place clue cards face down in a stack. Provide each student with a different triangle and game pieces.
2. Taking turns, students draw a card from the stack and read it (e.g., has three syllables, two syllables are closed, root is “rupt”).
3. Look for word on triangle that fits description (i.e., disruptive). Read word and place game piece on that spot. Place clue card in a discard pile.
4. If no word is found which matches description, place clue card at the bottom of the stack.
5. Continue activity until all matches are made.
6. Peer evaluation



Extensions and Adaptations

- ▶ Make other clue cards and triangles (Activity Masters AP.003.AM3 and AP.021.AM4).
- ▶ Write words based on clues (Activity Master AP.021.SS).

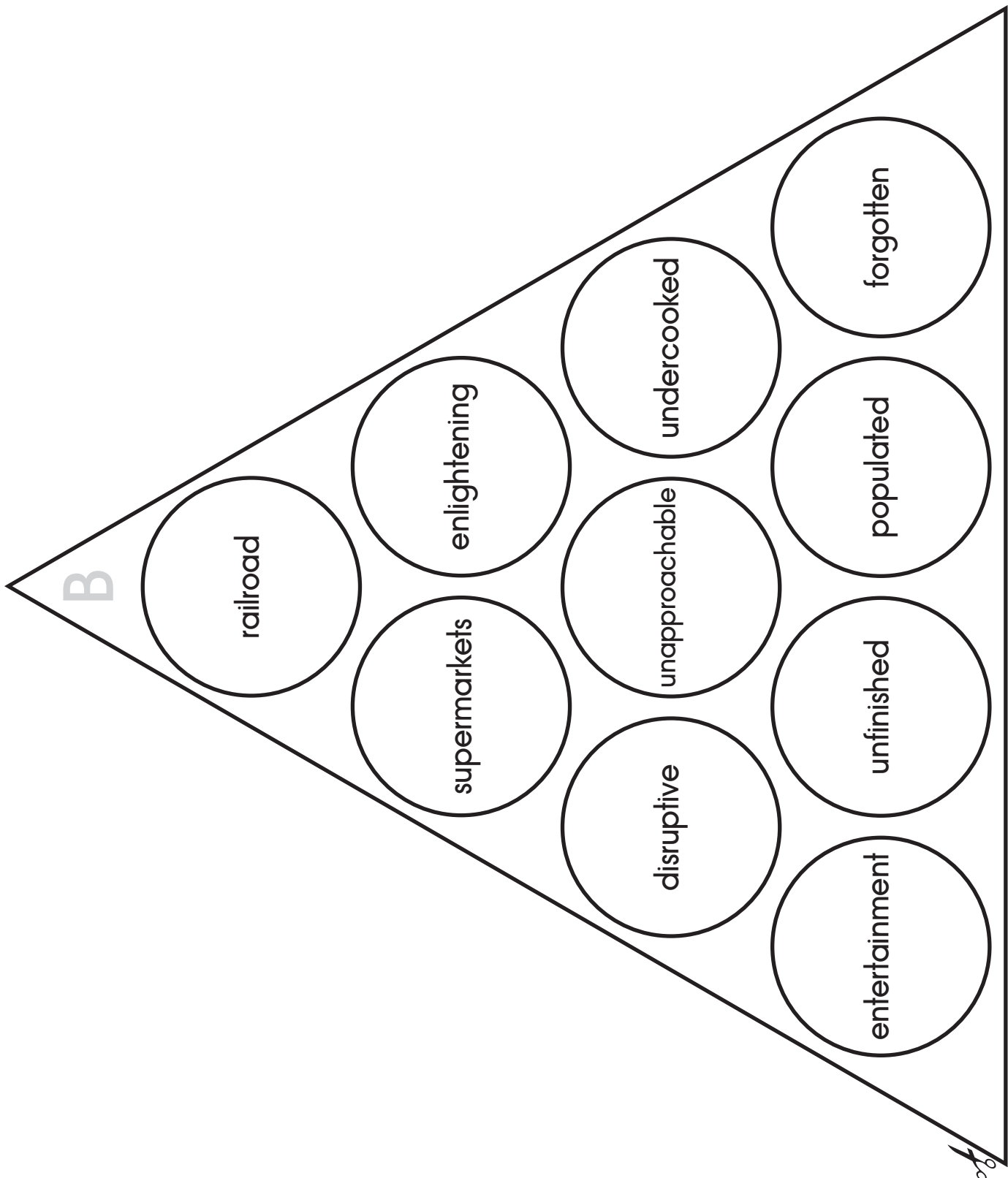


word triangle A

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AP.021.AM1b



word triangle B

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AP.02 I.AM2a

If the Clue Fits

<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has two VCE syllables* one syllable has /ī/* compound word <p>clue</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has three syllables* third syllable has /ā/* compound word <p>clue</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has five syllables* has one prefix and two suffixes* base word is “decide” <p>clue</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has four syllables* has a prefix* root is “act” <p>clue</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has five syllables* prefix is a closed syllable* base word is “rely” <p>clue</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has four syllables* “s” makes the sound /z/* has a suffix <p>clue</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has four syllables* has r-controlled syllable* has a suffix <p>clue</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has five syllables* last syllable is open* “c” has two different sounds <p>clue</p>

clue cards



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AP.021.AM2b

<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has four syllables* three syllables are closed* has a prefix <p>clue</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has three syllables* has a VCE syllable* has a prefix and suffix <p>clue</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has two vowel pair syllables* one syllable has /ā/* is a compound word <p>clue</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has four syllables* two syllables are r-controlled* is a compound word <p>clue</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has four syllables* has one prefix and two suffixes* base word is "light" <p>clue</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has three syllables* two syllables are closed* root is "rupt" <p>clue</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has five syllables* last syllable is consonant-le* base word is "approach" <p>clue</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has three syllables* affix says /t/* has one vowel pair syllable <p>clue</p>

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AP.021.AM2c

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has four syllables* has one vowel pair syllable* has a suffix <p>clue</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has three syllables* has two affixes* one of the affixes says /t/ <p>clue</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has four syllables* second syllable is open* has a suffix <p>clue</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* has three syllables* second syllable is closed* has a suffix <p>clue</p>
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AP.021.AM3a

Answer Key A

has two VCE syllables
one syllable has /ī/
compound word

pinecone

has three syllables
third syllable has /ā/
compound word

underweight

has five syllables
has one prefix and two suffixes
base word is “decide”

indecisively

has four syllables
has a prefix
root is “act”

deactivate

has five syllables
prefix is a closed syllable
base word is “rely”

unreliable

has four syllables
“s” makes the sound /z/
has a suffix

opposition

has four syllables
has r-controlled syllable
has a suffix

conversation

has five syllables
last syllable is open
“c” has two different sounds

electricity

has four syllables
three syllables are closed
has a prefix

misunderstand

has three syllables
has a VCE syllable
has a prefix and suffix

replacement

Answer Key B

has two vowel team syllables
one syllable has /ā/
compound word

railroad

has four syllables
two syllables are r-controlled
compound word

supermarkets

has four syllables
has one prefix and two suffixes
base word is "light"

enlightening

has three syllables
two syllables are closed
root is "rupt"

disruptive

has five syllables
last syllable is consonant-le
base word is "approach"

unapproachable

has three syllables
affix says /t/
has one vowel pair syllable

undercooked

has four syllables
has vowel pair syllable
has a suffix

entertainment

has three syllables
has two affixes
one of the affixes says /t/

unfinished

has four syllables
second syllable is open
has a suffix

populated

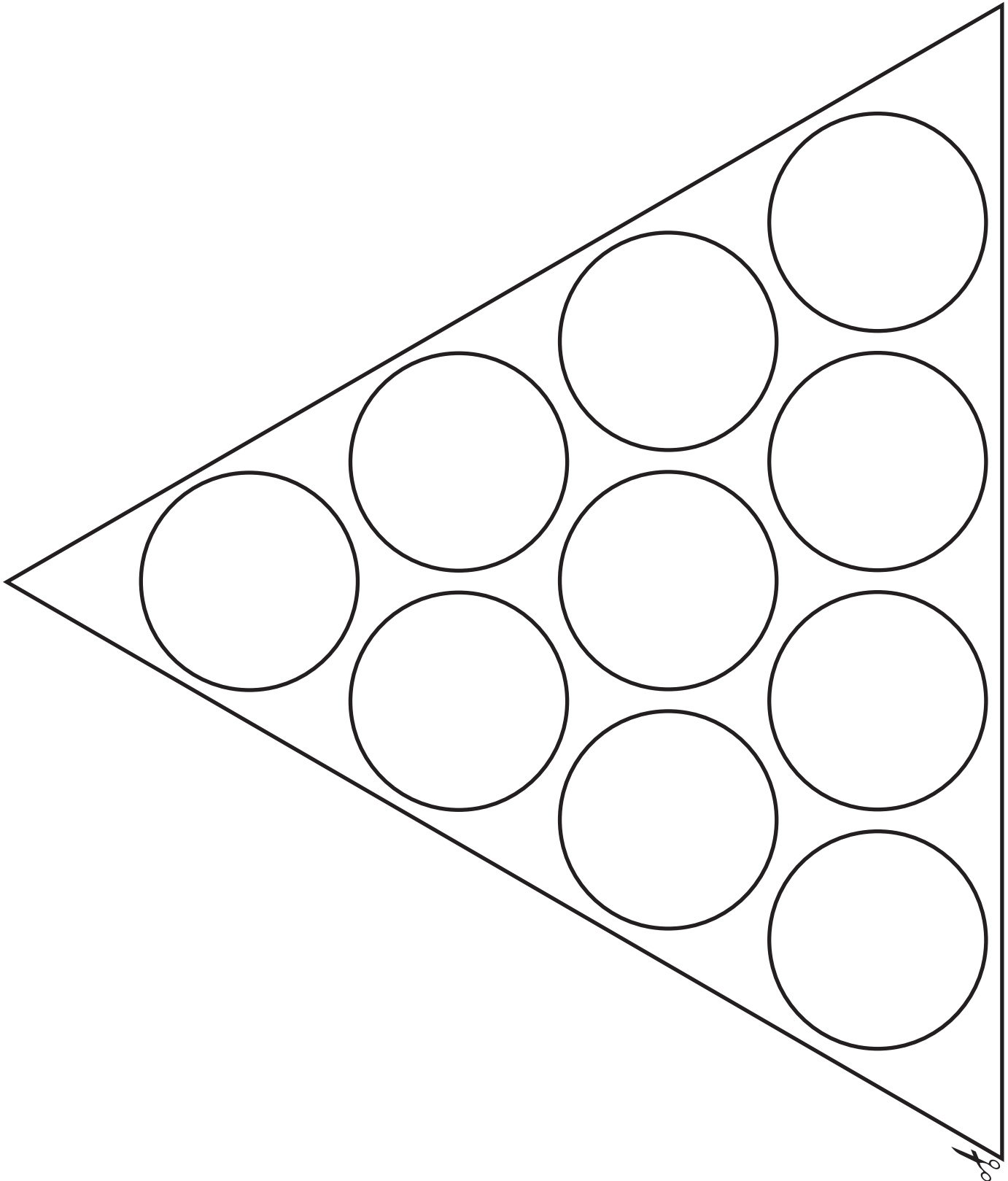
has three syllables
second syllable is closed
has a suffix

forgotten

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AP.021.AM4



blank triangle

Name _____

AP.021.SS

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has two syllables
both syllables have vowel pairs _____

has three syllables
has a suffix _____

has three syllables
first syllable is r-controlled _____

has two syllables
“c” in first syllable says /s/ _____

has four syllables
last syllable is VCE _____

has three syllables
root is “struct” _____

has three syllables
has a prefix _____

has three syllables
root is “act” _____