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2. Have a group member (or two) look up some words in the dictionary that contain that root word. Don’t forget to read the definition!
3. Another group member can start creating the tree root. Trace the outline of a root onto your piece of brown paper. The main root should have 3-4 branches.
4. Write the root word on the main branch of the root.
5. Write the meaning of the root word on a branch of the root.
6. Write words that contain the root word on the other branches of the root (check with your dictionary person for these words). Make sure you spell them correctly!
7. Make sure all group members’ names are somewhere on the root.
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