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5. Write the meaning of the root word on another piece of the mobile.
6. Write at least 3 words that contain the root word on the third piece of the mobile (check with your dictionary person for these words). Make sure you spell them correctly!
7. Draw pictures, symbols, etc. as visual reminders of what the root word means on the last piece of cardstock.
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