

UNIT 4: AROUND WE GO



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 conditions that surround or cause 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
*Kansas is located in **central** United States.*
- 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.*