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## Root Pattern Builders Answer Key

Root matches and sample example words:

1. bio → life → biography, biology
2. geo → earth → geography, geode
3. phono → sound → phonograph, telephone
4. auto → self → autograph, automobile
5. photo → light → photograph, photosynthesis

(Any correct example word containing the proper vowel pattern in the root is acceptable.)

### Teacher's Guide

- Review each root and its vowel pattern, noting how **vowel combinations** often stay the same across many English words.
- Support learners by breaking the roots into parts and discussing examples together before independent work.
- Challenge advanced students by asking them to generate two new multisyllabic words for each root and explain how the vowel pattern helps identify the meaning.
- Extend learning by having students build short sentences using their example words to reinforce meaning, spelling, and academic vocabulary.