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VOCABULARY PRACTICE

KEY VOCABULARY

- elliptical (ee-LIHP-tih-kuhl) adj. oval
- **geocentric theory** (JEE-oh-sehn-trihk THEER-ee) *n*. a theory that places Earth at the center of the universe
- **heliocentric theory** (HEE-lee-oh-sehn-trihk THEER-ee) *n*. a theory that places the sun at the center of the universe

PICTURE DICTIONARY

Create a dictionary page of Scientific Revolution terms.
Include the pronunciation, the definition, and an illustration for each of the three Key Vocabulary words.

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elliptical (ee-LIHP-tih-kuhl)



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• hypothesis (hy-PAHTH-uh-sihs) n. an

• scientific method *n*. a logical procedure for

explanation that can be tested

developing and testing ideas

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4. Explain what *scientific rationalism* is and how it was used.

- scientific rationalism *n*. a school of thought in which observation, experimentation, and mathematical reasoning replace ancient wisdom and church teachings as the source of scientific truth
- **theory** (THEER-ee) *n*. a proposed explanation for a set of facts

WORDS IN CONTEXT Follow the directions for using the Key Vocabulary words in context.

1. Write the sentence in which the word *hypothesis* appears in the section.

2. Describe the five steps of the *scientific method*.

3. Use the word *theory* in a sentence of your own.

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