

Root Word Study: Rupt



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Part 1. Underline the root in each word. Then, use your knowledge of words or a dictionary to record the definition of the word. Last, create an illustration for the word to help you remember its meaning.

Word	Meaning	Illustration
interrupt <u>rupt</u>	to break into a conversation	
disrupt <u>rupt</u>	to break up a person's focus	
erupt <u>rupt</u>	to break out with force	
bankrupt <u>rupt</u>	to be out of money or resources	
rupture <u>rupt</u>	to break or burst open	

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Part 2. Complete the following sentences with the correct word from the word bank.

interrupt

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erupt

bankrupt

rupture

1. The company went _____ **bankrupt** _____ when it was unable to pay the bills.
2. Our local news will _____ **disrupt** _____ the television show if there is an important report to share.
3. The pipe is going to _____ **rupture** _____ if the water freezes inside.
4. We wonder when Mt. Vesuvius will _____ **erupt** _____ again.
5. Construction work on the highway will _____ **interrupt** _____ traffic.

Part 3. Read each sentence and decide if each word is used correctly. Circle **true** or **false**.

1. You can be become bankrupt if you do not have nice clothes to wear. **true** **false**
2. A tornado can erupt under the ocean. **true** **false**
3. People interrupt each other's conversations when they want to join in. **true** **false**
4. A bag of garbage that is full of trash can rupture and spill the trash onto the ground. **true** **false**
5. Eating a bunch of candy will disrupt a healthy diet. **true** **false**