Root Words in Context [PORT & STRUCT]

Name: _____

Read the story and underline words that contain the root words PORT and STRUCT. Then, list all the underlined words in the T-chart below.

On Tuesday, Akari's teacher told the class that they would be writing a report about what they wanted to be when they grew up. Now it was Friday and Akari was getting worried. He didn't know what he wanted to be! That evening, he decided to talk with his family. "Dad, what do you do at work?" he asked. "I work on a construction site as a project manager," his dad explained. "It's important that I do my job carefully so that the buildings we construct are safe." Akari liked the sound of that, but he wasn't sure he wanted to be a project manager. "Uncle Terry, what about you?" asked Akari. "I'm a reporter for Channel 6 News," said Uncle Terry. "Just yesterday, I went over to see that big tree that fell down and obstructed the roadway. It's an exciting job!" Akari shook his head. That wasn't the job for him, either. "Mom, what do you do?" sighed Akari. "I am an instructor at the junior college," his mom smiled. "I help students make portfolios of writing each semester." Akari hung his head. He was worried he would never figure out what to be. "You know," said his mom. "You have some special skills of your own. I know you like to deconstruct old appliances to make found art. Maybe you could make portraits of people from the things you find. That would be a great job." Akari grinned. That sounded just right!

PORT	STRUCT
report	construction
important	construct
reporter	obstructed
portfolios	instructor
portraits	deconstruct

Hint: There should be five words in each side of the chart.