From Base to Base

Players: 3–4 players, plus a checker

You need: large posterboard circle with a spinner attached; the circle is divided into ten wedges, and one Basic Word from Unit 13 ending with the suffix -ion or -ation is written on each wedge.

How to play: Players identify and spell base words.

• Players take turns spinning the spinner. When the spinner stops, the player must correctly identify and then spell the base word from which the word they landed on is formed. For example, if the spinner stops and points to the word observation, the player would say “observe” and then spell it. The checker makes sure the base word is spelled correctly.

• Players get one point for identifying the correct word and one point for spelling it correctly. If the spinner stops on a word that was already played, the player spins again. At the end of the game, the person with the most points wins.

Other ways to play this game: Players could write the base words on the circle wedges and identify and spell the form of the word that ends in -ion or -ation.