

Lesson A-3

Base Words

pandemonium	uproar.
panacea	a cure-all for diseases or troubles.
omnipotent	having unlimited power; all-powerful.
omnipresent	present everywhere.
omnivorous	feeding on both plants and meat.
catholic	universal; including most things.
holocaust	a great destruction, especially by fire.
totalitarian	referring to a form of government in which one person or party holds absolute control.
cloister	a covered walk along the inside walls of a building, usually looking out on a courtyard.
preclude	to prevent; to make impossible.
recluse	a person who avoids mixing with people.

Familiar Words

conclude	bring (something) to an end; arrive at a judgment or opinion by reasoning
exclude	deny (someone) access to or bar (someone) from a place, group, or privilege
panorama	an unbroken view of the whole region surrounding an observer
seclude	keep (someone) away from other people

Challenge Words

pandemic	a widespread occurrence of an infectious disease over a whole country or the world at a particular time
panegyric	a public speech or published text in praise of someone or something
pantheism	a doctrine which identifies God with the universe, or regards the universe as a manifestation of God
pantheon	a group of particularly respected, famous, or important people
omnibus	<i>adj.</i> comprising several items; <i>n.</i> a bus
omniscient	knowing everything
holistic	relating to a study of the whole instead of a separation into parts
hologram	a three-dimensional image of an object
holograph	a manuscript handwritten by the person named as its author
totality	the whole of something
cloisonné	decorative work in which enamel, glass, or gemstones are separated by strips of flattened wire placed edgewise on a metal backing
occlude	to stop, close up, or block (an opening, orifice, or passage)