

Chapter 5 Word List

Word List

- absorb** (*verb*) to soak up or take in
- adhere** (*verb*) to stick, cling, or hold tight
- associate** (*verb*) 1. to join in thought; 2. to join as a friend or an acquaintance;
(*adjective*) connected with one or more persons or things;
(*noun*) a friend, an acquaintance, or a colleague
- celestial** (*adjective*) of or relating to the sky
- contentment** (*noun*) happiness or satisfaction
- destiny** (*noun*) a person's fortune or fate
- disposable** (*adjective*) something made to be discarded after use
- engrave** (*verb*) 1. to cut designs into a surface in an artistic way; 2. to carve
- frantic** (*adjective*) very excited with rage, fear, pain, or grief
- gullible** (*adjective*) 1. easily deceived;
2. unsuspecting
- induce** (*verb*) 1. to influence or persuade;
2. to cause or bring about
- leisure** (*noun*) the time free from work in which one may rest or enjoy oneself;
(*adjective*) 1. not occupied; 2. free
- nomad** (*noun*) a member of a tribe that moves from one place to another in search of food and water
- pedestal** (*noun*) a base for a statue or a lamp
- pigment** (*noun*) a coloring matter in the cells of plants and animals
- radioactivity** (*noun*) the rays or tiny particles given off from atomic nuclei

- scholar** (*noun*) 1. a student; 2. a wise person;
3. a teacher
- sparse** (*adjective*) 1. thinly scattered; 2. not thickly grown
- triumph** (*verb*) to win success;
(*noun*) a victory
- voluntary** (*adjective*) 1. acting on one's own choice; 2. not forced or required

Additional Words

Challenge Words

- barren** (*adjective*) 1. not able to reproduce;
2. producing little
- circumscribe** (*verb*) to construct around or mark a boundary
- inconsistent** (*adjective*) lacking consistency or logic in thought or action
- lavish** (*adjective*) producing in abundance
- plight** (*noun*) a difficult or unfortunate situation

Word Study: Root Words

The Latin root word *port* means "to carry."

- portable** (*adjective*) easily carried
- portfolio** (*noun*) a case for carrying papers
- portage** (*verb*) to carry overland
- transport** (*noun*) a carrying from one place to another
- export** (*verb*) to send out of one country
- report** (*verb*) to give an account of something