

## Lesson A-5

### Base Words

attenuate	to make slender or small.
comply	to do as one is asked or ordered.
expletive	an exclamation or oath, often obscene.
implement	(n) a tool or utensil; (v) to carry out; to put into effect.
microbe	an organism invisible to the naked eye, especially one that causes disease.
microcosm	a miniature world; something that resembles something else on a very small scale.
miniscule	extremely small.
minutiae	small or trivial details.
replete	well-stocked or abundantly supplied; completely filled; utterly satisfied.
satiated	to satisfy an appetite fully; to gratify to excess.
tenuous	thin in form; flimsy; having little substance or validity.

### Familiar Words

accomplish	achieve or complete successfully
asset	a useful or valuable thing, person, or quality
diminish	make or become less
microfiche	a flat piece of film containing microphotographs of the pages of a newspaper, catalog, or other document
microwave	an electromagnetic wave shorter than that of a normal radio wave
minor	lesser in importance, seriousness, or significance
replenish	fill (something) up again

### Challenge Words

extenuate	to cause (an offense) to seem less serious
microbiology	the branch of science that deals with microorganisms
microclimate	the climate of a very small or restricted area, especially when this differs from the climate of the surrounding area
microfiche	a flat piece of film containing microphotographs of the pages of a newspaper, catalog, or other document
Micronesia	a subregion of Oceania, consisting of thousands of small islands in the western Pacific Ocean
microsecond	one millionth of a second
mince	cut up or grind (food, especially meat) into very small pieces
minuet	a slow, stately ballroom dance for two in triple time, popular especially in the 18th century
plenary	(of a meeting) to be attended by all participants at a conference or assembly
plenipotentiary	a person, especially a diplomat, invested with the full power of independent action on behalf of their government
plenitude	a wealth, richness
plenum	an assembly of all the members of a group or committee