

## Lesson B-5

### Key Word List

abstain	to refrain from something by one's choice.
coherent	1. showing an orderly relation of parts. 2. sticking together.
colloquial	characteristic of ordinary conversation rather than formal speech or writing.
commiserate	to feel or express sorrow or pity (used with <i>with</i> ).
commodious	spacious, roomy, as in a house.
condone	to forgive; to disregard an offense.
contrite	thoroughly remorseful and repentant of one's sins.
impertinent	1. impudent; rude. 2. irrelevant
pertinacious	holding firmly, even stubbornly, to a belief.
tenacity	hanging on to something persistently or stubbornly.

### Challenge Word List

coerce	to persuade (an unwilling person) to do something by using force or threats.
coeval	having the same age or date of origin; contemporary.
colloquium	an academic conference or seminar.
concave	having an outline or surface that curves inward like the interior of a circle or sphere.
convex	having an outline or surface curved like the exterior of a circle or sphere.
consonance	agreement or compatibility between opinions or actions.
corrode	to destroy or damage (metal, stone, or other materials) slowly by chemical action; to destroy or weaken (something) gradually
inconsolable	(of a person or their grief) not able to be comforted or alleviated.
incorrigible	(of a person or their tendencies) not able to be corrected, improved, or reformed.
continuum	a continuous sequence in which adjacent elements are not perceptibly different from each other, although the extremes are quite distinct.
continuity	the unbroken and consistent existence or operation of something over a period of time.
sustenance	food and drink regarded as a source of strength; nourishment.
untenable	(especially of a position or view) not able to be maintained or defended against attack or objection.