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From Latin *perniciosus* = “destructive”  
(*per* = “through” + *necare* = “to kill”).

Task:

What other words share *necare* (to kill) or  
*per-* (through/completely)?

**Did you have any of these?**

**Annihilate  
Necrosis  
Internecine**

# TUTOR LITERACY: WORD of the WEEK

## Activities



- 1) How many words can you make out of the word PERNICIOUS?
- 2) How many antonyms for PERNICIOUS can you think of?
- 3) How many synonyms for PERNICIOUS can you think of?

