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ëns, pr.part. of scīre, to know; see skei-*.] - om*nis' cience, om $\cdot$ nis'cien $\cdot$ cy $n$. - om $\cdot$ nis' cient $\cdot$ ly $a d \nu$.
om $\cdot \mathrm{ni} \cdot \mathrm{um}$-gath ${ }^{\text {er }} \cdot \mathrm{um}$ (ŏm'nē-əm-găth'ər-әm) n. A miscellaneous collection; a hodgepodge. [Lat. omnium, genitive pl. of omnis, all; see op-* + E. gatherum (alteration of Gather). om'ni • vore (ŏm'nə-vôr', -vōr') n. 1. An omnivorous person or animal. 2. One that takes in everything available, as with the mind. [ $<$ NLat. Omnivora, omnivores $<$ neut. pl. of Lat. omnivorus, omnivorous. See omnvorous.]
$0 \mathrm{~m} \cdot \mathrm{niv}{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{o} \cdot$ rous (ŏm-niv'or-as) adj. 1. Eating both animal and vegetable foods. 2. Taking in everything available. -om niv'o•rous •ly $a d \nu$. - om*niv' 0 - rous • ness $n$.
$0 \mathrm{~m} \cdot 0 \cdot \mathrm{lon}$ (ŏm'a-lon's'). A river of NE Russia flowing c. 965 $\mathrm{km}(600 \mathrm{mi})$ to the Kolyma R .
om'pha•los (ŏm'fa-lŏs', -las) n., pl. -li (-lē). 1. The navel 2. A central part; a focal point. [Gk. See nobh-*.]

Omsk (ômsk). A city of S-central Russia at the confluence of the Irtysh and Om rivers; founded 1716. Pop. 1,108,000. on (on, on) prep. 1.a. Used to indicate position above and supported by or in contact with: The vase is on the table. b. Used to indicate contact with or extent over (a surface) regardless of position: a picture on the wall. c . Used to indicate location at or along: a bouse on the bighway. d. Used to indicate proximity; a town on the border. e. Used to indicate attach ment to or suspension from: beads on a string. f. Used to indicate figurative or abstract position: stopped on Chapter 2. 2.a. Used to indicate actual motion toward, against, or onto: the march on Washington. b. Used to indicate figurative or abstract motion toward, against, or onto: going on six o'clock. 3.a. Used to indicate occurrence at a given time: on July third. b. Used to indicate the particular occasion or circumstance: on arrival. 4.a. Used to indicate the object affected by, actual, perceptible action; knocked on the door. b. Used to indicate the object affected by a figurative action: Have pity on them. c. Used to indicate the object of an action directed, tending, or moving against it: an attack on the fortress. d . Used to indicate the object of perception or thought: tress. d. Used to indicate the object of perception or thought:
meditated on his actions. $\mathbf{5}$. Used to indicate the agent or meditated on his actions. 5 . Used to indicate the agent or agency of a specified action: talked on the telephone.
6.a. Used to indicate a medicine or other corrective taken or undertaken routinely: went on a diet. $\mathbf{b}$. Used to indicate a substance that is the cause of an addiction, a habir or anter altered state of consciousness: bigh on dope. 7. Used to in dicate a source or basis: got by on promises. 8.a. Used to indicate the state or process of: on the way. b. Used to indicate the purpose of: travel on business. c. Used to indicate a means of conveyance: ride on a train. d. Used to indicate availability by means of: beer on tap. 9. Used to indicat belonging to: a nurse on the staff. 10. Used to indicate ad dition or repetition: error on error. 11.a. Concerning; about: abook on astronomy. b. Concerning and to the disadvantage of: some evidence on him . 12. Informal. In one's possession With: not a cent on me. 13. At the expense of; compliments of: drinks on the bouse. - adv. 1. In or into a position or condition of being supported by or in contact with something Put the coffee on. 2. In or into a position of being attached to or covering something: Put your clothes on. 3. In the direction of something: He looked on while the ship docked. 4.a. Toward or at a point lying ahead in space or time; for ward: moved on to the next city. b. At or to a more distant point in time or space: later on. 5 . In a continuous côurse: He worked on. 6.a. In or into performance or operation: Turn on the radio. $\mathbf{b}$. In progress or action; in a state of activity: The show must go on. 7. In or at the present position or condi tion: hang on. 8. In a condition of being scheduled for or decided upon: a party on tonight. - adj. I. Being in operaactivity, such as a vocal or dramatic in a given function or minutes! b. Under or active or dramatic role: You're on in five minutes! b. Under or behaving as if under observation: $A$ minister is always on. 3. Slang. Functioning or performing at high degree of competence or energy: The goalie is really on. 4.a. Planned; intended: nothing on for tonight. b. Happening; taking place: The parade is on. -idioms. be on to. Slang. To be aware of or have information about. on and off. Intermittently. on and on. Without stopping; continuously. [ME $<$ DE an, on. See an-*

Usage Note: To indicate motion toward a position, both on and onto can be used, but onto indicates clearly motion taniated from an outside point, as in He ran onto the field. He an on the field may mean that his running began on the field. In constructions where on is an adverb attached to a verb, should not be joined with to to form the single word onto: move on to (not onto) new subjects. - In their uses to indicate spatial relations on and upon are often interchangeable: It rests on (or upon) a table. To indicate a relation between two things, however, instead of between an action and an end point, upon cannot always be used: Hand me the book on point, upon cannot always be used: Hand the the book on
(not upon) the table. Similarly, upon cannot always be used in place of on when the relation is not spatial: a book on (not.
(pon) birds. Mon) birds.

- abi suff. 1. also O.N. Old Norse. 2. Ontario.

On1 suff. 1.a. Subatomic particle: baryon. b. Unit; quantum:
photon. 2. Basic hereditary unit: codon. [ $<$ IoN.
-on² suff. Inert gas: radon. [NLat. < (ARG)ON.]
omniumgatherum
one-acter

