

## ca·bal, pe·dan·tic, Sarc·a·tog



### ca·bal

From Merriam-Webster Online:

Function: noun

1 : the artifices and intrigues of a group of persons secretly united to bring about an overturn or usurpation especially in public affairs; *also* : a group engaged in such artifices and intrigues

Etymology: French *cabale* cabala, intrigue, cabal, from Medieval Latin *cabbala* cabala, from Late Hebrew *qabbALAh*, literally, received (lore)

Date: 1614

### pe·dan·tic

From Merriam-Webster Online:

Function: adjective

1 : of, relating to, or being a pedant

2 : narrowly, stodgily, and often ostentatiously learned

3 : unimaginative, pedestrian

Date: circa 1600

### Sarc·a·tog

From Rei Nakazawa, **Magic** creative text writer:

Function: noun

Etymology: Previous atogs, with the exception of [the original](#), had some indication of what they ate in their name. ([Auratog](#), for example, ate enchantments.) The naming team decided to do the same for the new *Odyssey* atogs. However, since these guys ate two things, the job was a lot more difficult. *Sarc-* means "flesh," so Sarc-atog eats the "flesh of the dead," or cards in the graveyard. However, because of words like *sarcophagus*, sarc- also brings up images of the grave itself. Thus, this atog eats both the dead *and* the artifacts they're buried with.