

Viruses are Virulent (Powerful!)



In *The Mystery of Thunderbolt Fort*, ebola is said to be a very serious disease. Ebola is caused by a virus. Viruses are the smallest of the microbes. They cause other diseases you may have heard of like the flu, yellow fever, polio, and smallpox.

To survive, viruses have to take over other living cells. This is why they are such a problem—you have to kill the cells they have invaded in order to kill the virus.

Fill in the acrostic below to describe the power of a virus! One letter has been done for you.

E
B
O
L
A

Very Serious

I
R
U
S

