

Level 1 Root 'tract'

O: Latin

M: means to pull, drag or draw (as in tractor)

WORDS

- | | |
|-------------------|-------------------------|
| 1) tract | 21) abstraction |
| 2) abstract | 22) abstractionist |
| 3) undistracted | 23) contraction |
| 4) contract | 24) detraction |
| 5) detract | 25) extraction |
| 6) extract | 26) protraction |
| 7) protract | 27) retraction |
| 8) retract | 28) subtraction |
| 9) subtract | 29) intractable |
| 10) tractor | 30) intractability |
| 11) protractor | 31) contractibility |
| 12) contracting | 32) vocal tract |
| 13) subcontractor | 33) intestinal tract |
| 14) contracted | 34) respiratory tract |
| 15) distractive | 35) contractual |
| 16) retracted | 36) contractible |
| 17) protracted | 37) distraction |
| 18) extracting | 38) distracting |
| 19) extracted | 39) distractible |
| 20) abstracted | 40) highly distractible |

PHRASES

- | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1) protractor for math | 5) tooth extraction |
| 2) retraction of my statements | 6) an intractable disease |
| 3) highly distractible student | 7) contraction in my leg |
| 4) abstract painting | 8) long, protracted argument |

Level 1 Root 'tract'

SENTENCES

- 1) The flu is highly contractible and infects the upper respiratory tract.
- 2) Her constant chatter is highly distracting, and it's hard to concentrate.
- 3) "*It's*" is a contraction of the two words *it* and *is*.
- 4) I use vanilla extract for most cakes I bake.
- 5) We had a contractual agreement with the subcontractor to build a detached garage.
- 6) I contracted someone with a tractor to help plow all my farmlands.
- 7) Because I hurt his feelings, I had to retract my statement.
- 8) Ginger extract soothes your intestinal tract.
- 9) His protracted illness went on for several months.
- 10) Using a protractor and subtraction, I figured out the angles of a triangle.
- 11) That dog's intractable disposition made it so difficult to train him.
- 12) His weak evidence did little to detract from the solid defense argument.

The Contractor

When Kevin needed changes and repairs made to his house, he called a contractor. This person met with Kevin to draw up a contract that outlined the work to be completed. Although the end result is great, it can be difficult to work with a contractor. Some take on multiple jobs at the same time, which can detract from their attention to your job. The more days they are working someplace else, the longer the job is protracted. Kevin had to extract exact dates from the contractor for when he was going to do the work. They agreed that Kevin's contractor could subcontract jobs to other workers if he couldn't get the job done himself. In addition, it is distracting to have people in and out of the house all day long. Kevin's children couldn't complete their homework because of all the distractions, so they went to their grandparents' house after school each day for two weeks. Having a contractor do work on your house can be expensive, too, depending on the size of the job. Kevin didn't like having to subtract such a large amount of money from his checkbook. In the end, though, his house was more attractive because of the work done by the contractor.