

SYLLABLE TYPES

EXACT TEKS WORDING (FROM TEA)

“demonstrate and apply spelling knowledge by: (i) spelling multisyllabic words with closed syllables; open syllables; VCe syllables; vowel teams, including digraphs and diphthongs; r-controlled syllables; and final stable syllables”

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO ME?

When I see tract in a word, I know it connects to pulling or drawing.

The root tract appears in words like attract, subtract, and tractor.

When I find the root, I can figure out the word's meaning.

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

Root tract

from “Voices That Shaped Texas”

The root tract means to pull or draw. Attract means to pull toward. Subtract means to pull away. This week we study the root tract.

This deck teaches **the root tract (pull)** across the five RPLD thinking levels:

NOTICE → CHOOSE → SHOW → OWN → DEFEND.



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TODAY'S THINKING JOB

NOTICE

"I can notice a word with the root tract."

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Notice the word with the root tract.

Read this sentence about the passage. Find the bold word and the root tract and its meaning (pull).

"Lydia Mendoza's music could **attract** large audiences wherever she performed."

I CAN | I can notice a word with the root tract and name the root tract and its meaning (pull).



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CHOOSE

"I can choose a word with the root tract."

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Choose the word with the root tract.

Read the sentence. Which word is a word with the root tract? Use the rule.

"Nothing could **distract** Chelo Silva when she was singing her boleros."

A connected • **B** sounded • **C** distract

I CAN | I can choose the word with the root tract and explain how I know.



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SHOW

“I can show how a word with the root tract works.”

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Show the word with the root tract.

Read the sentence. In the bold word, name the root tract and its meaning (pull).

“In the farming communities where these artists grew up, the **tractor** was an important tool.”

I CAN | I can show the root tract and its meaning (pull).



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OWN

“I can use the root tract to figure out a word's meaning.”

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Own it. Read the longer word.

Split the word into its parts. Name the root tract and its meaning (pull).

subtraction
sub / trac / tion

I CAN | I can use the root tract to figure out a word's meaning.



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TODAY'S THINKING JOB

DEFEND

"I can prove that a word has the root tract."

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Defend the rule.

Prove the bold word follows the rule. Name the root tract and its meaning (pull).

"Historians **extract** details from old recordings to learn about these musicians."

I CAN | I can prove that a word has the root tract.



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Find a word with the root tract on your own.

Go back to the passage. Find one word with the root tract. Copy the sentence and name the root tract and its meaning (pull).

Go back to the reading.

Find one word with the root tract.

Copy the exact sentence. Then name the root tract and its meaning (pull).

I CAN | I can find a word with the root tract and prove it.



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Answers, across the five thinking levels.

NOTICE **attract (related vocabulary)**. At-tract. The root tract means to pull. The prefix at- means toward. Attract means to pull toward.

CHOOSE **C. distract. Dis-tract**. The root tract means to pull. The prefix dis- means away. Distract means to pull away from focus. Connected has the root nect, and sounded has no root tract.

SHOW **tractor (related vocabulary)**. Trac-tor. The root tract means to pull. A tractor is a machine that pulls things.

OWN **sub / trac / tion**. Sub means under or away. Tract means to pull. Tion is the suffix. Subtraction means pulling away a number.

DEFEND **extract (related vocabulary)**. Ex-tract. The root tract means to pull. The prefix ex- means out. Extract means to pull out.

YOUR TURN **contract**. Con-tract. The root tract means to pull. A contract pulls people together in agreement.



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READ THIS PASSAGE EXCERPT.

“Her romantic songs became favorites of Tejano listeners. ... The diversity of these artists' backgrounds helped shape Texas culture.”

Which word has the root tract, meaning to pull?

A culture

B different

C talent

D attract



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The answer is D.

A culture
Culture has no root tract.

B different
Different has no root tract.

C talent
Talent has no root tract.

D attract Correct.
At-tract. The root tract means to pull. Attract means to pull toward.

