

# UNIT 7: I LIKE TO MOVE IT MOVE IT



Root Word	Meaning	Origin
mob/mot	move	Latin
tract	pull, draw	Latin
tend/tens/tent	stretch, give	Latin



- mobile** (adj) - able to move from one place to another  
*The **mobile** phone allows people to leave the home, even if they are waiting for an important phone call.*
- motivation** (n) - the condition of being eager to act or work  
*Cindy's **motivation** to finish school helped her graduate from college a semester early.*
- motive** (n) - a reason for doing something  
*My main **motive** for learning Spanish is so that I can speak with my grandmother, who doesn't speak English.*
- tractor** (n) - a large vehicle used to pull farm equipment  
*We watched the **tractor** pull the plow through the field at the farm.*
- deduct** (v) - to reduce the strength, value, or importance of something  
*If you park that old rusted car in your front yard it will **deduct** from the beauty of your house.*
- contract** (v) - to make something smaller or shorter; to become smaller  
*When you flex your bicep, the muscle **contracts** and gets shorter.*
- attention** (n) - the act or power of carefully thinking about, listening to, or watching someone or something  
*It's important to give your full **attention** when learning something new.*
- extend** (v) - to cause something, such as your arm or leg, to straighten out or to stretch out  
*If you **extend** your arms outwards, you will feel your chest muscles stretch.*
- tension** (n) - the amount that something is stretched; an uneasy feeling that makes it difficult to relax  
*After the friends argued, there was a lot of **tension** in the room.*
- contentious** (adj) - likely to cause people to argue or disagree  
*You will create a **contentious** environment if you keep bringing up these controversial issues.*