

tenable[ˈtenəb(ə)] *a*

1. обороноспособный; крепкий; прочный
tenable position - надёжная позиция
2. удерживаемый, занимаемый, обладаемый
tenable by smb. - занимаемый кем-л.
tenable for three years - закреплённый за кем-л. на три года
3. здравый, разумный, логичный
tenable theory - разумная теория
his proposal is not tenable - его предложение не выдерживает критики

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ten·a·ble *BrE* [ˈtenəbəl] ^ˈ *NAmE* [ˈtenəbəl] ^ˈ *adjective*

1. (of a theory, an opinion, etc.) easy to defend against attack or criticism
 - a tenable position
 - The old idea that this work was not suitable for women was no longer tenable.
- Opp:** †**untenable**
2. **not before noun** (of a job, position, etc., especially in a university) that can be held for a particular period of time
 - The lectureship is tenable for a period of three years.

Word Origin:[**tenable**] late 16th cent.: from French, from **tenir** 'to hold', from Latin **tenere**.**tenable**

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a belief, argument etc that is tenable is reasonable and can be defended successfully:
 an idea which is no longer tenable

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