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1. ['tæktɪk] = *tactics*
 2. ['tæktɪk] *a*

1. относящийся к порядку, расположению
2. *лингв. несовр.* тактический; синтаксический
tactic form - тактическая форма

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['tæktɪk] *a* *уст.*
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tac·tic [tactic tactics] *BrE* ['tæktɪk] ^m *NAmE* ['tæktɪk] ^m **noun**

1. **countable, usually plural** the particular method you use to achieve sth
 - They tried all kinds of tactics to get us to go.
 - This was just the latest in a series of **delaying tactics** .
 - The manager discussed tactics with his team.
 - Confrontation is not always the best tactic.
 - It's time to try a change of tactic.
 - They used strong-arm (= aggressive or violent) tactics .
2. **tactics plural** the art of moving soldiers and military equipment around during a battle or war in order to use them in the most effective way
compare ↑strategy

Word Origin:

mid 18th cent.: from modern Latin *tactica*, from Greek *taktikē* (*tekhne*) '(art) of tactics', feminine of *taktikos*, from *taktos* 'ordered, arranged', from the base of *tassein* 'arrange' .

Example Bank:

- His strong-arm tactics paid off.
- I refuse to stoop to such bullying tactics .
- Longer races demand different tactics .
- She decided on a stalling tactic .
- Some players see injuring their opponent as a legitimate tactic .
- Teachers learn tactics for dealing with aggressive children.
- The coach was criticized for his negative tactics .
- They were desperate enough to try shock tactics .
- They would do well to switch tactics .
- We use a variety of tactics to make learning fun.
- the temptation to use underhand tactics
- It's time for a change of tactic .
- Offering goods cheaper than cost price is obviously a short-term marketing tactic .
- Strong-arm tactics were adopted by both sides during the conflict.
- The bully-boy tactics of a small minority will not be tolerated.
- There are serious concerns about the brutal tactics employed by the authorities.
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tac·tic /'tæktɪk/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m **noun** [countable]

[Date: 1600-1700; Language: Modern Latin; Origin: *tactica*, from Greek *taktika*, from *tassein* 'to arrange, place in battle formation']

1. a method that you use to achieve something:
 - ^m a tactic employed to speed up the peace process
 - ^m Republicans accuse Democrats of using delaying tactics (=something you do in order to give yourself more time) to prevent a final vote on the bill.
 - ^m Shock tactics are being used in an attempt to stop drink drivers.
2. **tactics** [plural] the science of arranging and moving military forces in a battle
⇒ **strong-arm tactics** at ↑strong-arm

COLLOCATIONS■ **ADJECTIVES/NOUN + tactic**

- **a delaying tactic** (=an action which gives you more time) His enemies believed that his sickness was just another delaying tactic.
- **scare tactics** (=in which you deliberately try to frighten people) He accused the opposition of scare tactics.
- **shock tactics** (=in which you deliberately try to shock people) The charity resorted to shock tactics to try to bring its message home.
- **strong-arm tactics** (=the use of force, violence, or threats) Others were furious at what they said were government strong-arm tactics over the vote.
- **a diversionary tactic** (=an action which draws attention away from something) Before the attack, nearby areas were bombed

as a diversionary tactic.

- **underhand/unfair tactics** (=actions which are not fair or honest) I wouldn't stoop to such sneaky, underhand tactics.

■ verbs

- **use a tactic** We used various tactics to get their support.
- **employ/adopt a tactic** *formal* (=use a tactic) Many species of fish employ similar defence tactics.
- **change/switch tactics** Manchester United switched tactics in the second half.
- **resort to a tactic** (=use a tactic because there is no other way to do something) Students resort to these tactics when they see no other way to address the problem.
- **a tactic works** (=is successful) Those tactics won't work with me any more – I know you too well.

■ phrases

- **a change of tactics** They trailed 2–1 at half time, but a change of tactics brought a 3–2 win.

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