

retract

[rɪ'trækt] *v*

- 1) **втягивать**
to retract the claws [the horns] - втянуть /спрятать/ когти [рожки]
- 2) **втягиваться; сокращаться**
2. **ав. убирать (шасси)**
3. **брать назад (слова и т. п.); откаться, отказываться (от обещания и т. п.); отменять**
to retract from an engagement - отказаться от выполнения обязательства
to retract a statement - взять обратно своё заявление
the permission has been given and cannot be retracted - разрешение было дано, и его нельзя отменить
even when confronted with proof the accused man refused to retract - даже перед лицом улик обвиняемый стоял на своём

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retract [retract retracts retracted retracting] *BrE* [rɪ'trækt] *NAme* [rɪ'trækt]

verb

1. **transitive ~ sth (formal)** to say that sth you have said earlier is not true or correct or that you did not mean it
 - He made a false confession which he later retracted.
 - They tried to persuade me to retract my words.
2. **transitive ~ sth (formal)** to refuse to keep an agreement, a promise, etc
 - to retract an offer
3. **intransitive, transitive (technical)** to move back into the main part of sth; to pull sth back into the main part of sth
 - The animal retracted into its shell.
 - The undercarriage failed to retract.
 - **~ sth** The undercarriage was fully retracted.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	retract
	BrE /rɪ'trækt/
	NAme /rɪ'trækt/
he / she / it	retracts
	BrE /rɪ'træktz/
	NAme /rɪ'træktz/
past simple, past participle	retracted
	BrE /rɪ'træktɪd/
	NAme /rɪ'træktɪd/
-ing form	retracting
	BrE /rɪ'træktɪŋ/
	NAme /rɪ'træktɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Latin **retract-** 'drawn back', from the verb **retrahere** (from **re-** 'back' + **trahere** 'drag'); the senses 'withdraw (a statement)' and 'go back on' via Old French from **retractare** 'reconsider' (based on **trahere** 'drag').

Example Bank:

- to withdraw/retract a claim/an allegation/a confession

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[Date: 1400-1500; Language: Latin; Origin: past participle of retrahere 'to pull back', from trahere 'to pull']

1. **[transitive]** if you retract something that you said or agreed, you say that you did not mean it **SYN withdraw**:
He confessed to the murder but later retracted his statement.
2. **[intransitive and transitive]** if part of a machine or an animal's body retracts or is retracted, it moves back into the main part:
The sea otter can retract the claws on its front feet.

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