

protracted[prəˈtræktɪd] *a*

1. 1) растянутый; затянувшийся; длительный
protracted negotiations - затянувшиеся переговоры
protracted war - затяжная война
protracted defense - **воен.** долговременная оборона
- 2) *арх.* отложенный; отсроченный
2. начерченный

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pro-tract-ed [protracted] *BrE* [prəˈtræktɪd] ^ˈ *NAmE* [prəˈtræktɪd] ^ˈ *NAmE*
[prɒˈtræktɪd] ^ˈ **adjective** (formal)

lasting longer than expected or longer than usual

Syn: ↑prolonged

- **protracted delays/disputes/negotiations**

Example Bank:

- A protracted strike carries a high risk of violence.
- There followed a protracted series of legal wrangles.

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pro-tract-ed /prəˈtræktəd, prəˈtræktɪd/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ **adjective**

[**Date:** 1500-1600; **Language:** Latin; **Origin:** past participle of protrahere 'to draw forward']used to describe something that continues for a long time, especially if it takes longer than usual, necessary, or expected **SYN****lengthy****protracted negotiations/discussions/debate etc**

- the expense of a protracted legal battle
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- **long** continuing for a long time: The film was very long. | There has been a long period without rain.
- **lengthy** continuing for a long time, especially longer than you want or expect: Drivers face lengthy delays on all roads out of the city. | Police are going through the lengthy process of re-examining all the evidence. | He faces a lengthy prison sentence.
- **long-running** [only before noun] continuing for a long time - used especially about disputes, campaigns, or shows: He has been involved in a long-running dispute with his neighbour. | The programme is one of the longest-running series on television. | a long-running campaign to prevent the airport from being built
- **long-lasting** continuing for a long time – used especially about effects or relationships: Stress can have long-lasting effects. | While at the school, she made many long-lasting friendships.
- **protracted** *formal* continuing for a long time, especially an unusually long time: Despite protracted negotiations, they were unable to reach an agreement. | The couple have been involved in a protracted battle for custody of their children.
- **prolonged** continuing for a long time, especially longer than expected, or longer in a way that makes a situation worse: He returned to work after a prolonged absence. | Studies have linked prolonged use of the drug to cancer. | a prolonged period of economic decline
- **extended** [only before noun] continuing for a long time - used especially about visits, trips, breaks etc that last longer than was planned: an extended stay in hospital | He took an extended break from work after his father died. | She didn't like being away from home for extended periods.
- **lasting** [only before noun] strong enough or great enough to continue for a long time: The negotiations were aimed at achieving a lasting peace. | This affair has done lasting damage to the President's credibility. | The book left a lasting impression on me.
- **enduring** continuing for a long time – used especially about memories, influences, or feelings of liking someone or something: One of my most enduring memories is of going on holiday to France with my parents. | the enduring appeal of Conan Doyle's stories | his enduring love for Ireland
- **marathon** [only before noun] continuing for a very long time and needing a lot of energy, patience, or determination: It was a marathon session of talks which continued until 3 am. | He arrived after a marathon journey across Europe.

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