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7s [TAIN] & [TEN] & [TENT] & [TIN] (hold, keep, have)

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| ABSTAIN | AABINST | to refrain voluntarily [v -ED, -ING, -S] |
| CONTAIN | ACINNOT | to hold within [v -ED, -ING, -S] |
| CONTENT | CENNOTT | to satisfy (to provide fully with what is desired, expected, or needed) [v -ED, -ING, -S] |
| DETAINS | ADEINST | DETAIN, to hold in custody [v] |
| DETINUE | DEEINTU | action to recover property wrongfully detained [n -S] |
| RETAINS | AEINRST | RETAIN, to keep possession of [v] |
| RETINUE | EEINRTU | group of attendants [n -S] |
| SUSTAIN | AINSSTU | to maintain by providing with food and drink [v -ED, -ING, -S] |
| TENABLE | ABEELNT | capable of being held [adj] |
| TENABLEY | ABELNTY | TENABLE, capable of being held [adv] |
| TENAILS | AEILNST | TENAIL, tenaille (outer defense) [n] |
| TENANCY | ACENNTY | temporary occupancy of something that belongs to another [n -CIES] |
| TENANTS | AENNSTT | TENANT, to inhabit (to live in) [v] |
| TENDERS | DEENRST | TENDER, to present for acceptance [v] |
| TENDING | DEGINNT | TEND, to be disposed or inclined [v] |
| TENONED | DEENNOT | TENON, to unite by means of tenon (projection on end of piece of wood) [v] |
| TENONER | EENNORT | one that tenons (to unite by means of tenon (projection on end of piece of wood)) [n -S] |
| TENOURS | ENORSTU | TENOUR, tenor (high male singing voice) [n] |
| TENURED | DEENRTU | TENURE, to grant tenure (status of holding one's position on permanent basis) to [v] |
| TENURES | EENRSTU | TENURE, to grant tenure (status of holding one's position on permanent basis) to [v] |
| TENUTOS | ENOSTTU | TENUTO, musical note or chord held longer than its normal duration [n] |

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| CONTINUA | ACINNOTU | mathematical sets [n CONTINUA] |
| CONTINUE | CEINNOTU | to go on with [v -D, -S, -UING] |
| CONTINUO | CINNOOTU | type of instrumental part [n -S] |
| COTENANT | ACENNOTT | one who is tenant with another in same place [n -S] |
| DETAINED | ADDEEINT | DETAIN, to hold in custody [v] |
| DETAINEE | ADEEEINT | one who is detained [n -S] |
| DETAINER | ADEEINRT | unlawful withholding of another's property [n -S] |
| MAINTAIN | AAIIMNNT | to keep in proper condition [v -ED, -ING, -S] |
| RETAINED | ADEEINRT | RETAIN, to keep possession of [v] |
| RETAINER | AEEINRRT | one that retains (to keep possession of) [n -S] |
| RETINUED | DEEINRTU | RETINUE, group of attendants [adj] |
| TENACITY | ACEINTTY | perseverance or persistence [n -TIES] |
| TENACULA | AACELNTU | hooked surgical instruments [n TENACULA] |
| TENAILLE | AEEILLNT | outer defense [n -S] |
| TENANTED | ADEENNTT | TENANT, to inhabit (to live in) [v] |
| TENANTRY | AENNRTTY | tenancy (temporary occupancy of something that belongs to another) [n RIES] |
| TENDERED | DDEEENRT | TENDER, to present for acceptance [v] |
| TENDERER | DEEENRRT | one that tenders (to present for acceptance) [n -S] |
| TENDERLY | DEELNRTY | in tender (soft or delicate) manner [adv] |
| TENEMENT | EEEMNNTT | apartment house [n -S] |



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| TENORINO | EINNOORT | high tenor [n -NI] |
| TENORIST | EINORSTT | one who sings tenor or plays tenor instrument [n -S] |
| TENORMAN | AEMNNORT | person who plays tenor saxophone [n -MEN] |
| TENORMEN | EEMNNORT | TENORMAN, person who plays tenor saxophone [n] |
| TENURIAL | AEILNRTU | of or pertaining to tenure [adj] |
| TENURING | EGINNRTU | TENURE, to grant tenure (status of holding one's position on permanent basis) to [v] |