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con-test \ˈkän-ˌtɛst/ *n* (1647) 1: a struggle for superiority or victory : COMPETITION 2: a competition in which each contestant performs without direct contact with or interference from his competitors
con-tes-tant \kən-ˈtɛs-tənt also ˈkän-/ *n* (1665) 1: one that participates in a contest 2: one that contests an award or decision
con-tes-ta-tion \ˈkän-ˌtɛs-ˈtā-shən/ *n* (1580) : CONTROVERSY, DEBATE
con-text \ˈkän-ˌtɛkst/ *n* [ME, weaving together of words, fr. L *contextus* connection of words, coherence, fr. *contexere* to weave together, fr. *com-* + *texere* to weave — more at TECHNICAL] (ca. 1568) 1: the parts of a discourse that surround a word or passage and can throw light on its meaning 2: the interrelated conditions in which something exists or occurs : ENVIRONMENT, SETTING — **con-text-less** \-ˌtɛkst-ləs/ *adj* — **con-tex-tu-al** \ˈkän-ˌtɛks-ˈtʃə-wəl, kən-, -ˈtʃəl/ *adj* — **con-tex-tu-al-ly** *adv*
con-text-free \ˈkän-ˌtɛkst-ˈfrɛ/ *adj* (1964) : of, relating to, or being a grammar or language based on rules that describe a change in a string without reference to elements outside of the string; also : being such a rule
con-tex-tu-al-ize \kən-ˈtɛks-ˈtʃə-wə-līz, -ˈtʃə-līz/ *vt* -ized; -iz-ing (1934) : to place (as a word or activity) in a context
con-text-ure \kən-ˈtɛks-ˈtʃər, ˈkän-/ *n* [F, fr. L *contextus*, pp. of *contexere*] (1603) 1: the act, process, or manner of weaving parts into a whole; also : a structure so formed <a ~ of lies> 2: CONTEXT
con-ti-gu-i-ty \ˈkän-tə-ˈgyü-ə-tē/ *n*, *pl* -ties (1612) : the quality or state of being contiguous : PROXIMITY
con-tig-u-ous \kən-ˈti-gyü-wəs/ *adj* [L *contiguus*, fr. *contingere* to have contact with — more at CONTINGENT] (ca. 1609) 1: being in actual contact : touching along a boundary or at a point 2 of angles : ADJACENT 3: next or near in time or sequence 4: touching or connected throughout in an unbroken sequence <~ row houses> *syn* see ADJACENT — **con-tig-u-ous-ly** *adv* — **con-tig-u-ous-ness** *n*
con-ti-nence \ˈkän-tɪ-nən(t)s/ *n* (14c) 1: SELF-RESTRAINT; esp : a refraining from sexual intercourse 2: the ability to retain a bodily discharge voluntarily <fecal ~>
con-ti-nent \ˈkän-tɪ-nənt/ *adj* [ME, fr. MF, fr. L *continent-*, *continens*, fr. prp. of *continēre* to hold in — more at CONTAIN] (14c) 1: exercising continence 2 *obs* : RESTRICTIVE — **con-ti-nent-ly** *adv*
con-ti-nent \ˈkän-tɪ-nənt, ˈkənt-nənt/ *n* [in senses 1 & 2, fr. L *continent-*, *continens*, prp. of *continēre*, to hold together, contain; in senses 3 & 4, fr. L *continent-*, *continens* continuous mass of land, mainland, fr. *continent-*, *continens*, prp.] (1541) 1 *archaic* : CONTAINER, CONFINES 2 *archaic* : EPITOME 3: MAINLAND 4 *a* : one of the six or seven great divisions of land on the globe *b cap* : the continent of Europe — *used with the*
con-ti-nen-tal \ˈkän-tɪ-nən-ˈtɛn-təl/ *adj* (1760) 1 *a* : of, relating to, or characteristic of a continent <~ waters>; *specif*, *often cap* : of or relating to the continent of Europe excluding the British Isles *b often cap* : of, relating to, or being a cuisine derived from the classic dishes of Europe and esp. France 2 *a often cap* : of or relating to the colonies later forming the U.S. <Continental Congress> *b* : being the part of the U.S. on the No. American continent; also : being the part of the U.S. comprising the lower 48 states — **con-ti-nen-tal-ly** \-tɪ-ˈtɛl/ *adv*
continental *n* (1777) 1 *a often cap* : an American soldier of the Revolution in the Continental army *b* (1) : a piece of Continental paper currency (2) : the least bit <not worth a ~> 2 : an inhabitant of a continent and esp. the continent of Europe
continental breakfast *n*, *often cap C* (1911) : a light breakfast (as of rolls or toast and coffee)
continental drift *n* (1926) : a hypothetical slow movement of the continents on a deep-seated viscous zone within the earth — compare PLATE TECTONICS
continental shelf *n* (1892) : a shallow submarine plain of varying width forming a border to a continent and typically ending in a steep slope to the oceanic abyss
continental slope *n* (1900) : the usu. steep slope from a continental shelf to the ocean floor
con-tin-gence \kən-ˈtɪn-jən(t)s/ *n* (ca. 1530) 1: CONTINGENCY 2: TANGENCY
con-tin-gen-cy \kən-ˈtɪn-jən(t)-sē/ *n*, *pl* -cies (1561) 1: the quality or state of being contingent 2: a contingent event or condition; as *a* : an event (as an emergency) that may but is not certain to occur (trying to provide for every ~) *b* : something liable to happen as an adjunct to or result of something else *syn* see JUNCTURE
contingency fee *n* (1945) : a fee for services (as of a lawyer) paid upon successful completion of the services and usu. calculated as a percentage of the gain realized for the client — called also *contingent fee*
contingency table *n* (1922) : a table of data in which the row entries tabulate the data according to one variable and the column entries tabulate it according to another variable and which is used esp. in the study of the correlation between variables
con-tin-gent \kən-ˈtɪn-jənt/ *adj* [ME, fr. MF, fr. L *contingent-*, *contingens*, prp. of *contingere* to have contact with, befall, fr. *com-* + *tangere* to touch — more at TANGENT] (14c) 1: likely but not certain to happen : POSSIBLE 2: not logically necessary; esp : EMPIRICAL 3 *a* : happening by chance or unforeseen causes *b* : subject to chance or unseen effects : UNPREDICTABLE *c* : intended for use in circumstances not completely foreseen 4: dependent on or conditioned by something else 5: not necessitated : determined by free choice *syn* see ACCIDENTAL — **con-tin-gent-ly** *adv*
contingent *n* (1548) 1: something contingent : CONTINGENCY 2: a representative group : DELEGATION, DETACHMENT
con-tin-u-al \kən-ˈtɪn-yü-əl, -yəl/ *adj* [ME, fr. MF, fr. L *continuus* continuous] (14c) 1: continuing indefinitely in time without interruption <~ fear> 2: recurring in steady usu. rapid succession <a history of ~ invasions> — **con-tin-u-al-ly** *adv*
syn CONTINUAL, CONTINUOUS, CONSTANT, INCESSANT, PERPETUAL, PERENNIAL mean characterized by continued occurrence or recurrence. CONTINUAL often implies a close prolonged succession or recurrence <continual showers the whole weekend>. CONTINUOUS usu. implies an uninterrupted flow or spatial extension <football's oldest continuous rivalry>. CONSTANT implies uniform or persistent occurrence or recurrence <lived in constant pain>. INCESSANT implies ceaseless or uninterrupted activity <annoyed by the incessant quarreling>. PERPETUAL suggests unending repetition or lasting duration <a

land of perpetual snowfall>. PERENNIAL implies enduring existence of ten through constant renewal <a perennial source of controversy>.
con-tin-u-ance \kən-ˈtɪn-yü-ən(t)s/ *n* (14c) 1: CONTINUATION 2: the extent of continuing : DURATION 3: the quality of enduring : PERMANENCE 4: an adjournment of a court case to a future day
con-tin-u-ant \-yü-ənt/ *n* (1861) 1: something that continues or serves as a continuation 2: a speech sound (as a fricative or vowel) that is produced without a complete closure of the breath passage — compare STOP — **continuant** *adj*
con-tin-u-ate *adj* (1555) *obs* : CONTINUOUS, UNINTERRUPTED
con-tin-u-a-tion \kən-ˈtɪn-yü-ˈwā-shən/ *n* (14c) 1: the act or fact of continuing in or the prolongation of a state or activity 2: resumption after an interruption 3: something that continues, increases, or adds
con-tin-u-a-tive \kən-ˈtɪn-yü-ˈwā-tiv, -wā-tiv/ *adj* (1684) : expressing continuity or continuation (as of an idea or action)
con-tin-u-a-tor \-wā-tər/ *n* (1646) : one that continues
con-tin-ue \kən-ˈtɪn-(-)yü/ *vb* -tin-ued; -tinu-ing [ME, fr. MF *continuer*, fr. L *continuare*, fr. *continuus*] *vi* (14c) 1: to maintain without interruption a condition, course, or action 2: to remain in existence : ENDURE 3: to remain in a place or condition : STAY 4: to resume an activity after interruption ~ *vt* 1 *a* : KEEP UP, MAINTAIN <~s walking> *b* : to keep going or add to : PROLONG; also : to resume after intermission 2: to cause to continue 3: to allow to remain in a place or condition : RETAIN 4: to postpone (a legal proceeding) by a continuance — **con-tinu-er** \-yü-ər/ *n*
syn CONTINUE, LAST, ENDURE, ABIDE, PERSIST mean to exist over a period of time or indefinitely. CONTINUE applies to a process going on without ending (the search for peace will continue). LAST, esp. when unqualified, may stress existing beyond what is normal or expected <buy shoes that will last>. ENDURE adds an implication of resisting destructive forces or agencies (in spite of everything, her faith endured). ABIDE implies stable and constant existing esp. as opposed to mutability <a love that abides through 40 years of marriage>. PERSIST suggests outlasting the normal or appointed time and often connotes obstinacy or doggedness <the sense of guilt persisted>.
continued *adj* (15c) 1: lasting or extending without interruption <~ success> 2: resumed after interruption <a ~ story>
continued fraction *n* (ca. 1856) : a fraction whose numerator is an integer and whose denominator is an integer plus a fraction whose numerator is an integer and whose denominator is an integer plus a fraction and so on
continuing *adj* (14c) 1: CONTINUOUS, CONSTANT <~ poverty> 2: needing no renewal : ENDURING <~ fame> — **con-tin-u-ing-ly** *adv*
continuing education *n* (1954) : formal courses of study for adult part-time students
con-ti-nn-i-ty \ˈkän-tɪ-n-ˈtū-ə-tē, -ˈtū-/ *n*, *pl* -ties (15c) 1 *a* : uninterrupted connection, succession, or union *b* : uninterrupted duration or continuation esp. without essential change 2: something that has, exhibits, or provides continuity; as *a* : a script or scenario in the performing arts *b* : transitional spoken or musical matter esp. for a radio or television program *c* : the story and dialogue of a comic strip 3: the property of being mathematically continuous
con-tin-u-o \kən-ˈtɪn-yü-wō, -ˈtū-/ *n*, *pl* -u-oes [It, fr. *continuo* continuous, fr. L *continuus*] (1724) : a bass part (as for a keyboard or stringed instrument) used esp. in baroque ensemble music and consisting of a succession of bass notes with figures that indicate the required chords — called also *figured bass*, *thoroughbass*
con-tin-u-ous \kən-ˈtɪn-yü-əs/ *adj* [L *continuus*, fr. *continēre* to hold together — more at CONTAIN] (1673) 1: marked by uninterrupted extension in space, time, or sequence 2 of a function : having the property that the absolute value of the numerical difference between the value at a given point and the value at any point in a neighborhood of the given point can be made as close to zero as desired by choosing the neighborhood small enough *syn* see CONTINUAL — **con-tin-u-ous-ly** *adv* — **con-tin-u-ous-ness** *n*
con-tin-u-um \kən-ˈtɪn-yü-əm/ *n*, *pl* -ua \-yü-ə/ also -u-ums [L, neut. of *continuus*] (1646) 1: a coherent whole characterized as a collection, sequence, or progression of values or elements varying by minute degrees <"good" and "bad" . . . stand at opposite ends of a ~ instead of describing the two halves of a line — Wayne Shumaker> 2: the set of real numbers including both the rationals and the irrationals; *broadly* : a compact set which cannot be separated into two sets neither of which contains a limit point of the other
con-tort \kən-ˈtɔrt/ *vb* [ME, fr. L *contortus*, pp. of *contorquere*, fr. *com-* + *torquere* to twist — more at TORTURE] *vt* (15c) : to twist in a violent manner <features ~ed with fury> ~ *vi* : to twist into or as if into a strained shape or expression *syn* see DEFORM — **con-tor-tion** \-ˈtɔr-shən/ *n* — **con-tor-tive** \-ˈtɔr-tiv/ *adj*
con-tor-tion-ist \ˈkän-ˈtɔr-sh(ə)-nist/ *n* (1859) : one who contorts; *specif* : an acrobat able to twist the body into unusual postures — **con-tor-tion-is-tic** \-ˈtɔr-shə-ˈnis-tik/ *adj*
con-tour \ˈkän-tūr/ *n* [F, fr. It *contorno*, fr. *contornare* to round off, fr. ML, to turn around, fr. L *com-* + *tornare* to turn on a lathe — more at TURN] (1662) 1: an outline esp. of a curving or irregular figure : SHAPE; also : the line representing this outline 2: the general form or structure of something : CHARACTERISTIC — often used in pl. <~s of a melody> <to delineate the tortured psychological ~s of the tribal past — B. J. Phillips> 3: a usu. meaningful change in intonation in speech *syn* see OUTLINE
contour *adj* (1844) 1: following contour lines or forming furrows or ridges along them <~ flooding> <~ farming> 2: made to fit the contour of something <a ~ couch> <~ sheets>
contour *vt* (1871) 1 *a* : to shape the contour of *b* : to shape so as to fit contours 2: to construct (as a road) in conformity to a contour
contour feather *n* (1867) : one of the medium-sized feathers that form the general covering of a bird and determine the external contour
contour line *n* (1844) : a line (as on a map) connecting the points on a land surface that have the same elevation
contour map *n* (1862) : a map having contour lines
con-tra \ˈkän-trə/ *prep* [L] (15c) 1: BETTER, MORE ADVANTAGEOUS, IN THE phrase *pro* and *contra* 2: in opposition or contrast to — used before a proper name

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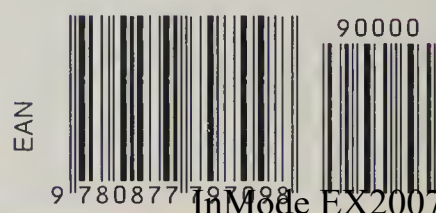


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