

## Rules to Add <ion> and <cian> Suffixes to Words

dictat*ion* /dicta*shən*/

exten*sion* /exten*shən*/

admi*ssion* /admi*shən*/

politi*cian* /politi*shən*/

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# Rules to Add <ion> and <cian> Suffixes to Words

## t+ion

If the base word ends in /t/  
sound (<t> or <te>), add <ion> to  
make it <tion> = /shən/

complete      complet**ion**  
abduct        abduct**ion**

## ss+ion

If the base word has <mit> at the  
end, remove <mit> and add for the  
/shən/ sound.

ad**mit**              admi**ssion**  
abduc**mit**        abduct**ion**

## cian

If a word is the name of a profession  
with the /shən/ sound, it takes  
<cian> to make the /shən/ sound.

magic              magi**cian**  
politi**cs**            politi**cian**

## s+ion

i) If the base word ends in the /d/  
sound, remove <d> or <de> and  
add <sion> to make it sound <sion>  
= /shən/ or /zhən/.

invade            inva**sion**  
extend            exten**sion**

ii) If the base word ends in <s>,  
<se> sound, add <ion> to make it  
sound <sion> = /shən/ or /zhən/.

confess            confes**sion**  
vis                visi**on**

iii) If you hear the /l/ or the /r/  
sounds before /shən/, write it  
with <sion>.

compul**sion**  
conver**sion**



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**Add <-ion> or <cian> suffix to these words and write the correct spellings.**

complete \_\_\_\_\_

express \_\_\_\_\_

delete \_\_\_\_\_

confess \_\_\_\_\_

dictate \_\_\_\_\_

transmit \_\_\_\_\_

abduct \_\_\_\_\_

permit \_\_\_\_\_

deduct \_\_\_\_\_

admit \_\_\_\_\_

investigate \_\_\_\_\_

submit \_\_\_\_\_

eliminate \_\_\_\_\_

omit \_\_\_\_\_

precipitate \_\_\_\_\_

compete \_\_\_\_\_

conclude \_\_\_\_\_

product \_\_\_\_\_

invade \_\_\_\_\_

vis \_\_\_\_\_

demonstrate \_\_\_\_\_

divide \_\_\_\_\_

illuminate \_\_\_\_\_

optics \_\_\_\_\_

collide \_\_\_\_\_

electric \_\_\_\_\_

provide \_\_\_\_\_

magic \_\_\_\_\_

impress \_\_\_\_\_

profess \_\_\_\_\_

delude \_\_\_\_\_

salute \_\_\_\_\_

decide \_\_\_\_\_

exclude \_\_\_\_\_

accomodate \_\_\_\_\_

explode \_\_\_\_\_