

MANIPULATION

- *Noun* -

c. 1730, a method of digging ore, from French *manipulation*, from *manipule*

"handful" (a pharmacists' measure), from Latin *manipulus* "handful, sheaf,

bundle," from *manus* "hand" (see [manual](#)) + root of *plere* "to fill" (see *pleio*).

- Sense of "skillful handling of objects" is first recorded 1826; extended 1828 to "handling of persons" as well as objects.