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n.

Difficulty in articulating words, caused by impairment of the muscles used in speech.

[[DYS-](#) + Greek *arthron*, joint, (vocal) articulation; see [ar-](#) [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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