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n. pl. **au·di·to·ri·ums** or **au·di·to·ri·a** (-tôr ē-ə)

1. A large room to accommodate an audience in a building such as a school or theater.
2. A large building for public meetings or performances.

[Latin, from *audire*, to hear; see **au-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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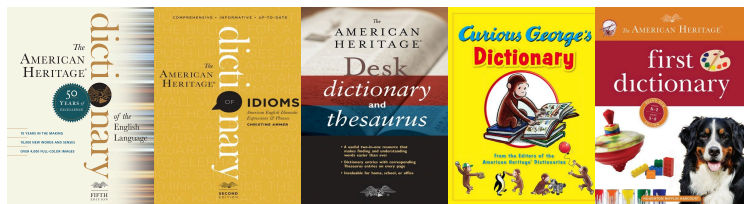
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