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prep.
Previous to; before.
conj.
Rather than; before.

[Middle English *er*, from Old English *ær*; see **ayer-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots.](#)]

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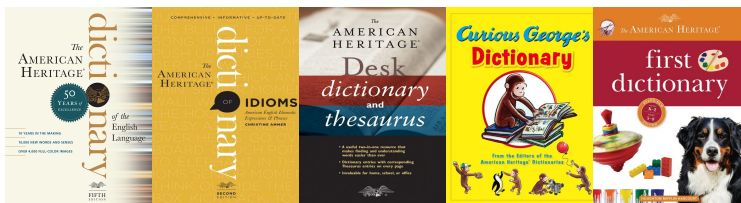
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