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[French, alteration (probably influenced by *biche*, doe, used as a term of affection) of *barbichon*, diminutive of *barbet*, pointer for hunting in wetlands, from Old French, dog with a long, frizzy coat, from *barbe*, beard; see [BARB](#)¹.]

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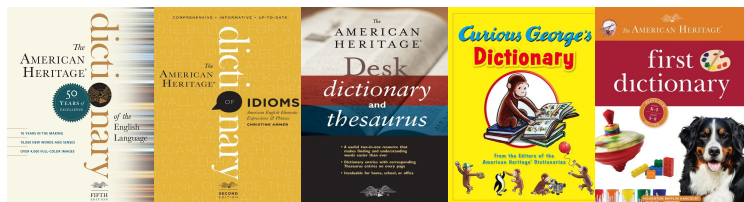
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