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intr. & tr.v. **def·la·grat·ed, def·la·grat·ing, def·la·grates**

To burn or cause to burn with great heat and intense light.

[Latin *dēflagrāre*, *dēflagrāt-* : *dē-*, intensive pref.; see [DE-](#) + *flagrāre*, to blaze; see [bhel-](#)¹ [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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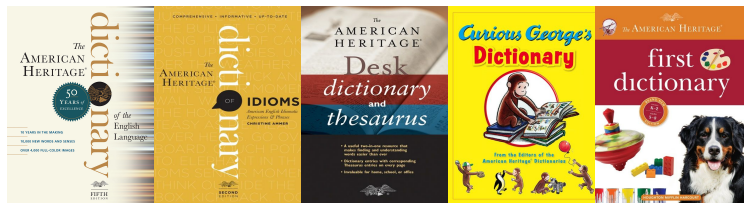
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