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1. A kinship group constituting an intermediate division in the primitive structure of the Hellenic tribe or phyle, consisting of several patrilinear clans, and surviving in classical times as a territorial subdivision in the political and military organization of the Athenian state.
2. *Anthropology* An exogamous subdivision of the tribe, constituting two or more related clans.

[Greek *phrātriā*, from *phrātēr*, *phrātr-*, fellow member of a clan; see **bhrāter-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

phra tric *adj.*

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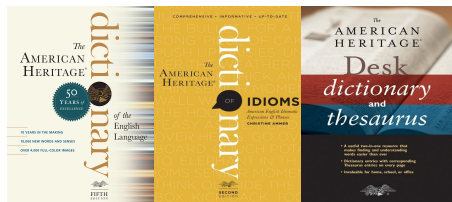
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