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n.

1. *Law* The decision of the jury after the trial of a case.
2. An expressed conclusion; a judgment or opinion: *the verdict of history.*

[Middle English *verdit*, from Anglo-Norman : *ver*, true (from Latin *vērūs*; see **wēra-o-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#)) + *dit*, speech (from Latin *dictum*, from neuter past participle of *dīcere*, to say; see **deik-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#)).]

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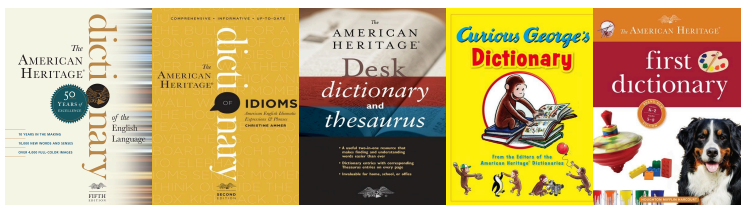
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