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1. **Pandects** A digest of Roman civil law, compiled for the emperor Justinian in the sixth century AD and part of the Corpus Juris Civilis. Also called *Digest*.
2. The definitive statement of a legal rule.

[Latin *pandectēs*, encyclopedia, from Greek *pandektēs*, all-receiving : *pan-*, *pan-* + *dektēs*, receiver (from *dekhesthai*, to receive, accept; see **dek-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#)).]

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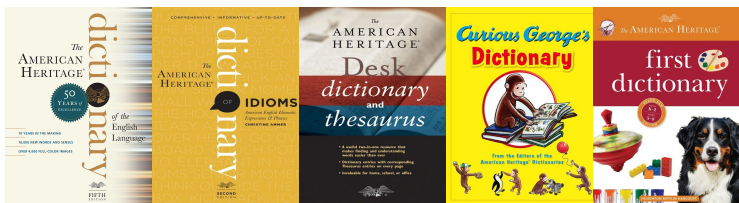
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