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pol·y·the·ism  (pŏl ē-thē-ĭz'əm, pŏl'ē-thē ĭz-əm)

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n.

The worship of or belief in more than one god.

[French *polythéisme*, from Greek *polutheos*, polytheistic : *polu-*, poly- + *theos*, god; see **dhēs-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

pol y·the'ist *n.*

pol'y·the·is tic *adj.*

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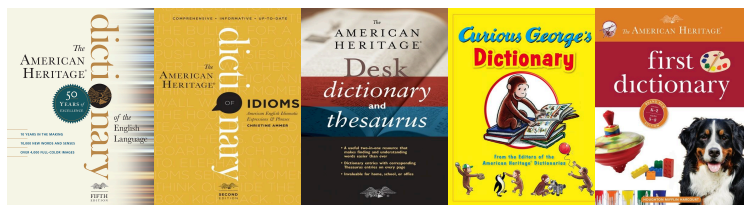
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