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n.

1. An Anglo-Saxon legal system in which units or tithings composed of ten households were formed, in each of which members were held responsible for one another's conduct.
2. A member of a unit in frankpledge.

[Middle English *frankplegge*, from Anglo-Norman *frauncpledge* : Old French *franc*, free, frank; see [FRANK](#)¹ + Old French *plege*, pledge; see [PLEDGE](#).]

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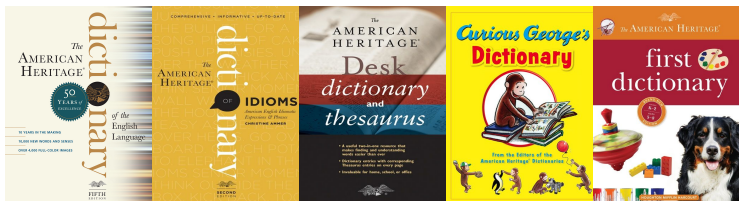
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