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re·plev·in  (rĭ-plĕv ĭn)

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n.

1. An action to recover personal property said or claimed to be unlawfully taken.
2. The writ or procedure of such an action.

tr.v. **re·plev·ined, re·plev·in·ing, re·plev·ines**

To replevy.

[Middle English, from Anglo-Norman *replevine*, from *replevir*, to give as a security : *re-*, *re-* + *plevir*, to pledge (from Late Latin *plebere*, of Germanic origin; see **dlegh-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#)).]

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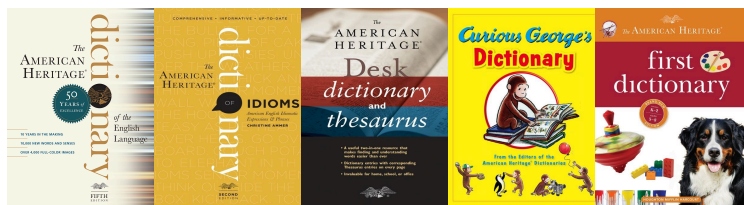
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