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1.

a. The entire number of copies of a publication issued at one time or from a single set of type.

b. A single copy from this group.

c. The form in which a publication is issued: *a paperback edition of a novel; an annotated edition of Shakespeare.*

d. A version of an earlier publication having substantial changes or additions: *a newly revised edition of a standard reference work.*

2. All the copies of a specified issue of a newspaper: *the morning edition; the Sunday edition.*

3. A broadcast of a radio or television news program: *Thursday's edition of the six o'clock news.*

4.

a. The entire number of like or identical items issued or produced as a set: *a limited edition of early jazz recordings; a signed edition of a group of lithographs.*

b. Any of the various or successive forms in which something is offered or presented: *this year's edition of fall fashions from Paris.*

5. One that closely resembles an original; a version: *The boy was a smaller edition of his father.*

[Middle English *edicion*, version, translation, from Latin *ēditiō*, *ēditiōn-*, publication, production, from *ēditus*, past participle of *ēdere*, to publish, produce; see [EDIT](#).]

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