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**v. ad·jour**ned, **ad·jour**-ing, **ad·jour**ns

**v.tr.**

To suspend until a later stated time.

**v.intr.**

1. To suspend proceedings to another time or place.

2. To move to a new location, especially to a less formal setting: *After the meal, we adjourned to the living room.*

[Middle English *ajournen*, from Old French *ajourner* : *a-*, to (from Latin *ad-*; see [AD-](#)) + *jour*, day (from Late Latin *diurnum*, from Latin *diurnus*, daily, from *diēs*, day; see [dyeu-](#) [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#)).]

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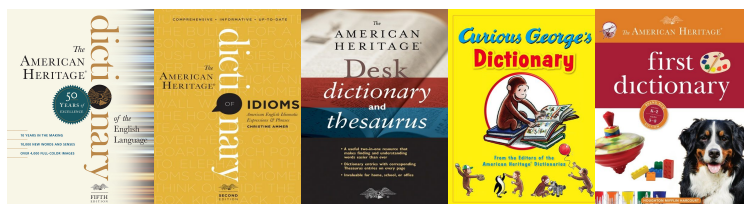
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