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[Russian *Rus'*, from Old Russian *Rusŭ*, group of Vikings, Rus; see [RUSSIAN](#).]

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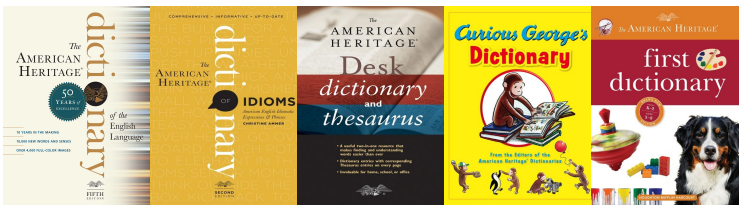
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