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adj.

Of, relating to, or being the grammatical case expressing means, as Finnish *puhumalla* "by speaking, while speaking."

n.

1. The adessive case.
2. A word in the adessive case.

[From Latin *adesse*, to be present : *ad-*, *ad-* + *esse*, to be; see **es-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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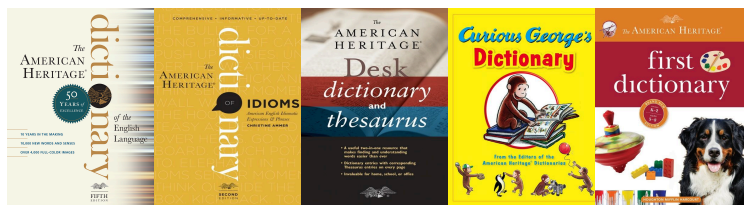
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