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va·ca·tion (vā-kā shən, və-)

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n.

1. A period of time devoted to pleasure, rest, or relaxation, especially one with pay granted to an employee.

2.

a. A holiday.

b. A fixed period of holidays, especially one during which a school, court, or business suspends activities.

3. The act or an instance of vacating.

intr.v. **va·ca·tioned**, **va·ca·tion·ing**, **va·ca·tions**

To take or spend a vacation.

[Middle English *vacacioun*, from Old French *vacation*, from Latin *vacātiō*, *vacātiōn-*, freedom from occupation, from *vacātus*, past participle of *vacāre*, to be empty, at leisure; see **euə-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

va·ca tion·er, **va·ca·tion·eer** (-shə-nîr) *n.*

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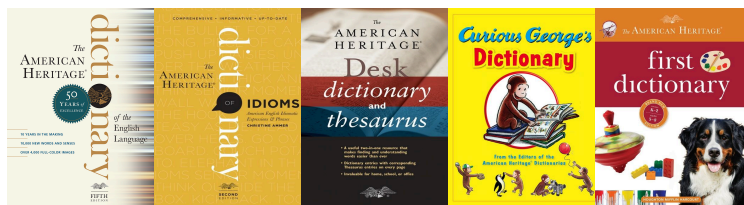
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