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an·cho·rite  (ăng kə-rīt') also **an·cho·ret** (-rēt')

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n.

A person who has retired into seclusion for religious reasons.

[Middle English, from Medieval Latin *anchōrīta*, from Late Latin *anachōrēta*, from Late Greek *anakhōrētēs*, from *anakhōrein*, to retire : *ana-*, *ana-* + *khōrein*, to make room for, withdraw (from *khōros*, place; see **ghē-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#)).]

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