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n.

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[Latin *chlōrītis*, a green precious stone, from Greek *khlōrītis*, from *khlōros*, green; see **ghel**-² [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

chlo·rit ic (klôr-īt ĭk) *adj.*

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chlo·rite²  (klôr it')

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n.

The anionic univalent ClO₂ group derived from chlorous acid, or a compound containing this group.

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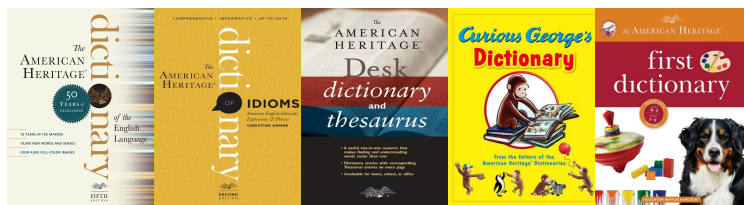
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