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hex·a·chord  (hĕk sə-kôrd')

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n.

A sequence of six tones with a semitone in the middle, the others being whole tones, that was used in medieval music.

[Medieval Latin *hexachordum*, from Latin *hexachordos*, having six strings or stops : Greek *hexa-*, hexa- + Greek -*khordos*, string, note (from *khordē*; see [CORD](#)).]

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