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2. A milliliter; one cubic centimeter.
3. A unit of angular measurement used in artillery and equal to $\frac{1}{6400}$ of a complete revolution.

[Short for Latin *mīllēsīmus*, thousandth, from *mīlle*, thousand; see **gheslo-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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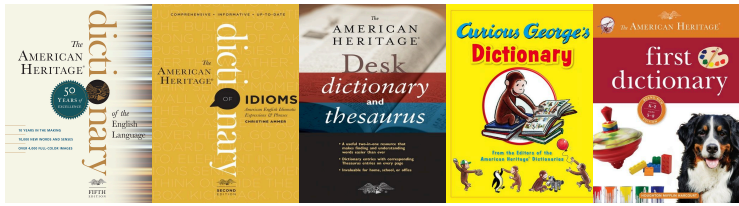
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