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un·couth  (ŭn-k th)

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adj.
1. Crude; unrefined.
2. Awkward or clumsy; ungraceful.
3. *Archaic* Foreign; unfamiliar.

[Middle English, unknown, strange, from Old English *uncūth* : *un-*, not; see [UN](#)¹ + *cūth*, known; see **gnō-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

un·couth *ly adv.*

un·couth *ness n.*

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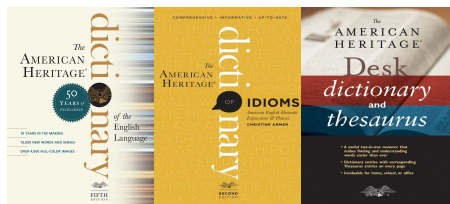
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