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tr.v. **nar·rat·ed**, **nar·rat·ing**, **nar·rates**

1. To give an account of (events, for example) in speech or writing or by means of images. See Synonyms at [describe](#).
2. To supply a running commentary for (a documentary or performance, for example).

[Latin *narrāre*, *narrāt-*, from *gnārus*, knowing; see **gnō-** in the Appendix of Indo-European roots.]

nar'rat·a·bil i·ty *n.*

nar rat·a·ble *adj.*

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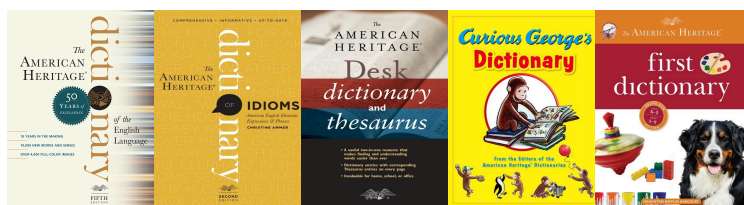
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