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n.

1. A small bomb or explosive missile that is detonated by a fuse and thrown by hand or shot from a rifle or launcher.
2. A container filled with a chemical such as tear gas that is dispersed when the container is thrown.

[French, from Old French (*pome*) *grenate*, pomegranate (from its shape); see [POMEGRANATE](#).]

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