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1.

a. A male singer or voice with a range higher than a bass and lower than a tenor.

b. An instrument that sounds within this range.

c. A vocal or instrumental part written in this range.

2. A valved brass instrument similar to but larger than the euphonium.

[Italian *baritono*, from Greek *barutonos*, deep sounding : *barus*, heavy; see **g^wera-¹** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#) + *tonos*, tone; see [TONE](#).]

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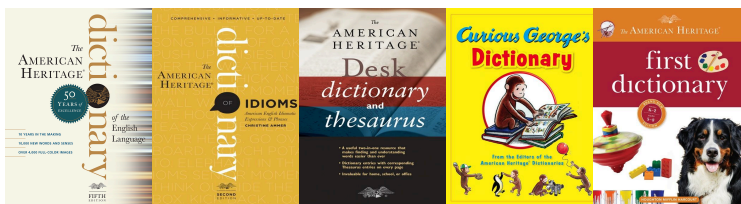
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