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1. To move in response to the force of gravity.
2. To become lower in value or amount: *Prices gravitated downward in the stock market.*
3.
 - a. To move toward someone or something: *The students gravitated toward the lunch room just before noon.*
 - b. To be attracted toward something or someone perceived as congenial, desirable, or useful: *People gravitate toward websites that share their views.*

[New Latin *gravitāre*, *gravitāt-*, from Latin *gravitās*, heaviness; see [GRAVITY](#).]

grav ĭ-tāt'er n.

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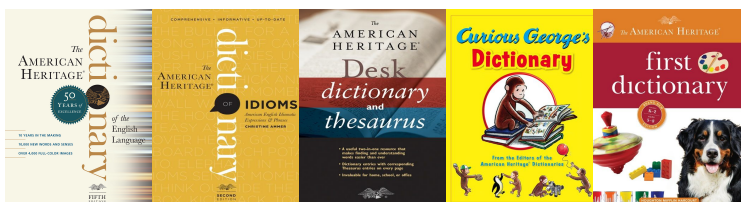
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