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[Greek *barus*, heavy; see **g^wera-**¹ [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#) + **-ON**¹.]

bar'y-on **ic** *adj.*

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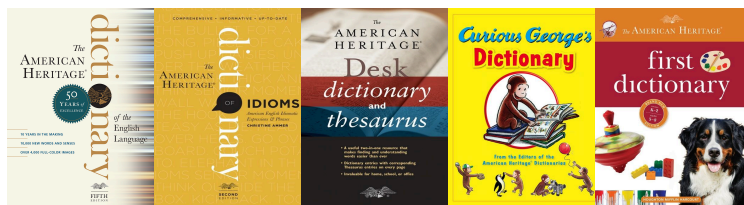
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