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-id¹

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suff.

1. One belonging to a specified dynastic line: *Abbasid*.

2.

a. Meteor associated with or appearing to radiate from a specified constellation or comet: *Perseid*.

b. Member of a class of stars typified by a certain star in a specified constellation: *Cepheid*.

3. Organism belonging to a specified taxonomic group, often a family having a name ending in *-idae* according to taxonomic principles or a class or other taxon having a name ending in *-idae*: *cichlid*, *magnoliid*.

[Latin *-idēs*, from Greek, patronymic suffix. Senses 2 and 3, from New Latin *-idae*, from plural of Latin *-idēs*.]

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ID¹  (ī dē) *Informal*

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n.

A form of identification, especially an ID card.

tr.v. **ID'ed**, **ID'ing**, **ID's**

To check the identification of, especially in order to verify legal age; card: *The bouncer ID'ed everyone who looked younger than 30.*

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-id²

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suff.

Body; particle: *chromatid*.

[Latin *-is*, *-id-*, feminine patronymic suff., from Greek.]

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ID²

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abbr.

1. also **Id**. Idaho

2. identification

3.

a. inner diameter

- b. inside diameter
- c. internal diameter
- 4. Intelligence Department
- 5. intelligent design

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'id (ēd)

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n.
Variant of [Eid](#).

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id.

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idem

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n.
In psychoanalytic theory, the division of the psyche that is totally unconscious and serves as the source of instinctual impulses and demands for immediate satisfaction of primitive needs.

[New Latin (translation of German *Es*, a special use of *es*, it, as a psychoanalytic term), from Latin, it; see *i-* in the Appendix of Indo-European roots.]

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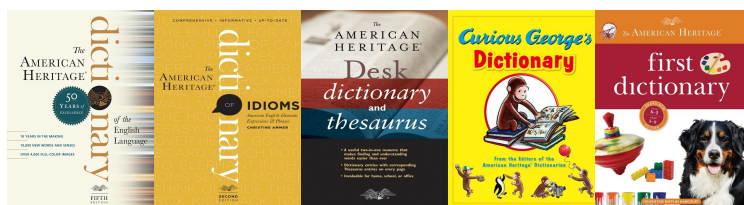
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