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n.
A constellation in the Southern Hemisphere near Volans and Vela that contains the star Canopus.

[Latin *carīna*, keel; see [CARINA](#).]

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ca·ri·na  (kə-rī nə, -rē -)

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n. pl. ca·ri·nae (-nē)
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[Latin *carīna*, keel; see **kar-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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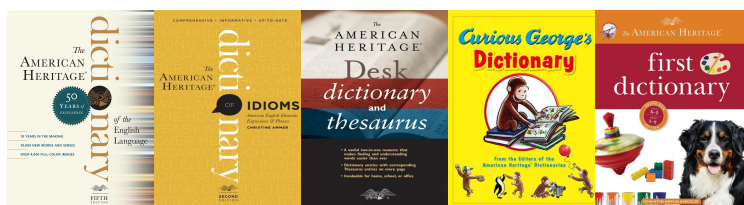
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