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n.

1. An abnormal increase in muscular activity.
2. Hyperactivity, especially in children.

[[HYPER-](#) + Greek *kīnēsis*, movement (from *kīnein*, to move; see **keia-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#)) + [-ia](#)¹.]

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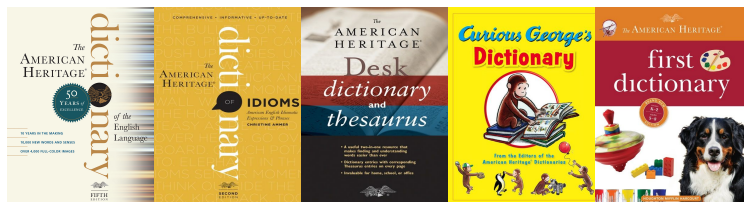
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