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eu·ca·lyp·tus  (y 'kə-lĭp təs) also **eu·ca·lypt** (y kə-lĭpt')

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n. pl. **eu·ca·lyp·tus·es** or **eu·ca·lyp·ti** (-tī') also **eu·ca·lypts**

Any of numerous trees of the genus *Eucalyptus*, native chiefly to Australia and widely planted worldwide, having aromatic leaves and valued as a source of oil, gum, and wood.

[New Latin *Eucalyptus*, genus name : Greek *eu-*, *eu-* + Greek *kaluptos*, covered (from *kaluptein*, to cover; see **kel-**¹ [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#)).]



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eucalyptus

blue gum

Eucalyptus globulus

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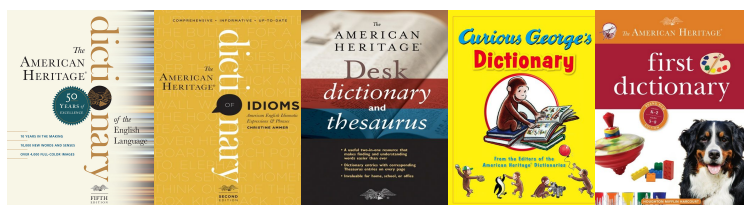
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