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adj.

1. Of or relating to heat: *the caloric effect of sunlight.*
2. Of or relating to calories: *the caloric content of foods.*

n.

A hypothetically indestructible, uncreatable, highly elastic, self-repellent, all-pervading fluid formerly thought responsible for the production, possession, and transfer of heat.

[French *calorique*, from Latin *calor*, heat; see **kəla-**¹ [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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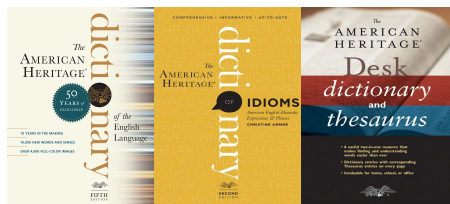
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