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ac·claim  (ə-klām)

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v. **ac·claimed**, **ac·claim·ing**, **ac·claims**

v.*tr.*

1. To praise enthusiastically and often publicly. See Synonyms at [praise](#).

2. To acknowledge or declare with enthusiastic approval: *She was acclaimed person of the year.*

v.*intr.*

To shout approval.

n.

Enthusiastic praise; acclamation.

[From Latin *acclāmāre* : *ad-*, *ad-* + *clāmāre*, to shout; see *kelə*-² [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

ac·claim *er n.*

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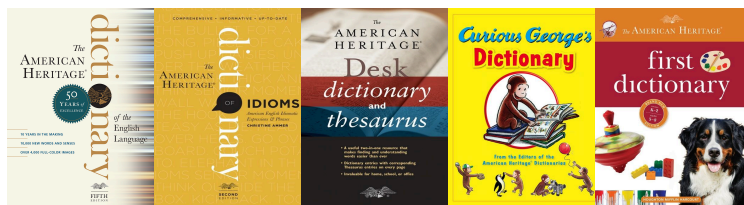
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