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n. pl. calends also *kalends*

The first day of the month in the ancient Roman calendar.

[Middle English *kalendes*, from Latin *kalendae*; see **kala-**² [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

ca·len dal (kə-lēn dəl) *adj.*

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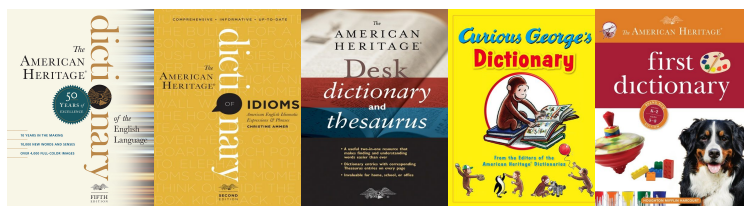
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