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n.

1. See [Capricornus](#).

2.

a. The tenth sign of the zodiac in astrology.

b. One who is born under this sign. Also called *Goat*.

[Middle English *Capricorne*, from Latin *Capricornus* : *caper*, *capr-*, goat + *cornū*, horn; see **ker**-¹ [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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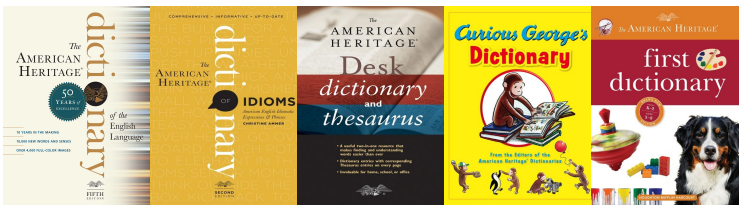
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