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cline  (klīn)

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n.
A gradual change in a character or feature across the distributional range of a species or population, usually correlated with an environmental or geographic transition.

[From Greek *klīnein*, to lean; see **klei-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

clin al (klī nəl) *adj.*

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Cline  (klīn), **Virginia Patterson** Known as "**Patsy**." 1932-1963.

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American singer best known for country and western ballads such as "I Fall to Pieces" (1960) and "Crazy" (1961).

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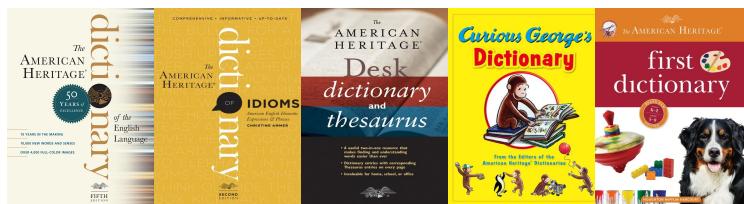
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