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adj.

Of or relating to both the sternum and the ribs.

[[STERN\(UM\)](#) + Latin *costa*, rib; see **kost-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#) + [-AL](#)¹.]

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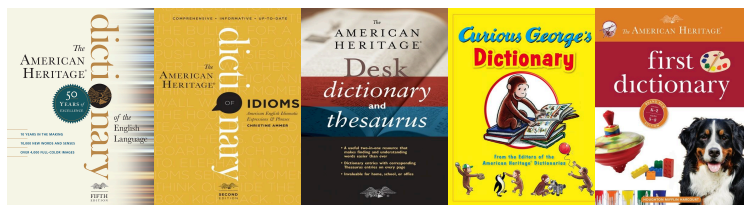
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