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*adj.*

1. Free from commotion or disturbance: *a tranquil lake; a tranquil evening.*
2. Free from anxiety, tension, or restlessness; composed: *a tranquil mind.* See Synonyms at [calm](#).
3. Steady; even: *a tranquil flame.*

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[Middle English *tranquill*, from Latin *tranquillus*; see **k<sup>w</sup>eiə-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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**tran quil·ly** *adv.*

**tran quil·ness** *n.*

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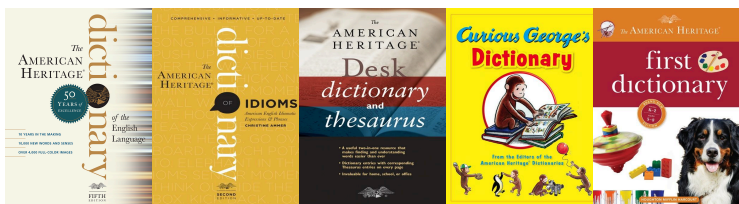
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