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n.

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2. Any of the modern Indic languages.

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Pra·krit *ic adj.*

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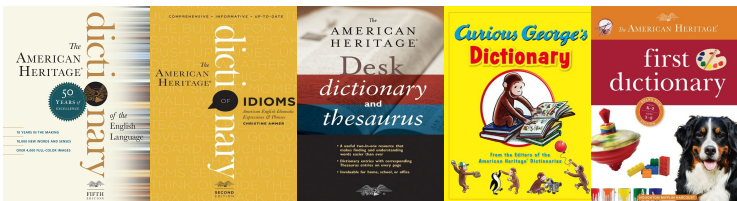
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