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1. The cardinal number equal to 3 + 1.
2. The fourth in a set or sequence.
3. Something having four parts, units, or members, such as a musical quartet or a four-cylinder engine.

Idiom:

all fours

All four limbs of an animal or person: *a baby crawling on all fours*.

[Middle English, from Old English *fēower*; see **k^wetwer-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

four *adj. & pron.*

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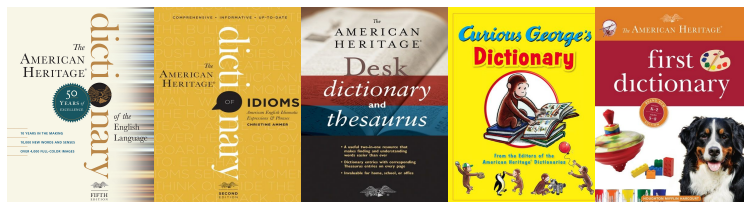
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