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n. pl. quar·tos

1. The page size obtained by folding a whole sheet into four leaves.
2. A book composed of pages of this size.

[Short for Middle English (*in*) *quarto*, (in) the fourth part (of a sheet), from Medieval Latin (*in*) *quārtō*, from Latin, ablative of *quārtus*, fourth; see **k^wetwer-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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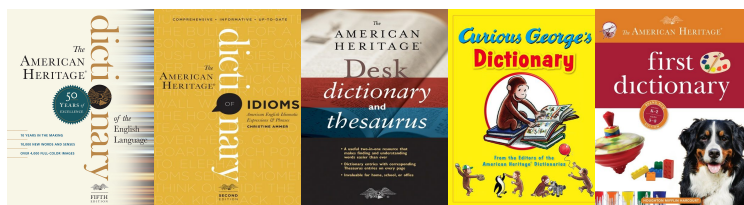
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