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n.

A deep to vivid purplish red to vivid red.

tr. & intr.v. crim·soned, crim·son·ing, crim·sons

To make or become deeply or vividly red.

[Middle English *cremesin*, from Old Spanish *cremesín*, Old Italian *cremesino* or Medieval Latin *cremesīnus*, all from Arabic *qirmizī*, from *qirmiz*, kermes insect; see [KERMES](#).]

crim son *adj.*

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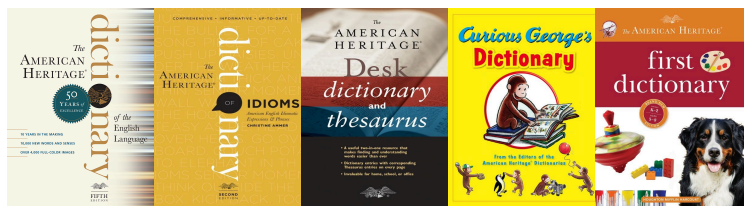
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