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cat-o-nine-tails

(n) An instrument consisting of nine pieces of cord, formerly used for flogging in the army and navy.

caucus

(n) A private meeting of members of a political party to select candidates.

causal

(adj) Indicating or expressing a cause.

caustic

(adj) Sarcastic and severe.

cauterize

(v) To burn or sear as with a heated iron.

cede

(v) To pass title to.

censor

(n) An official examiner of manuscripts empowered to prohibit their publication.

censorious

(adj) Judging severely or harshly.
