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: a type of computer file used for storing images; *also* : an image that is stored as this type of file

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## Full Definition of JPEG

: a computer file format for the compression and storage of usually high-quality photographic digital images

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## Origin of JPEG

Joint Photographic Experts Group

First Known Use: 1988

## Rhymes with JPEG

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[Britannica.com: Encyclopedia article about "JPEG"](#)

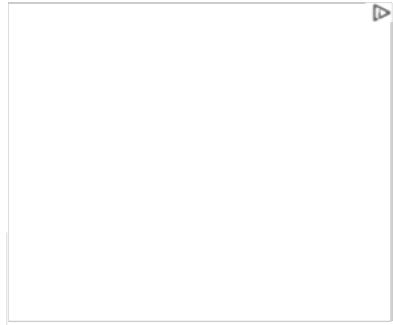
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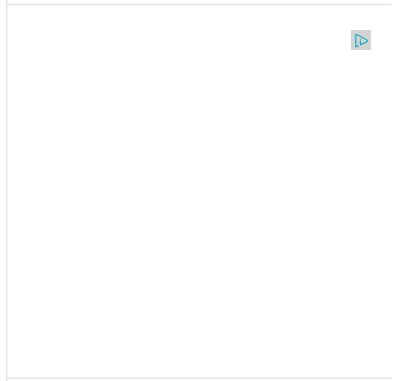
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