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Definition

The communicator responds to a question with an evasive or ambiguous response. This evokes an effect in the addressee.^{[1][2]}

Example

كريم: كم عمرك؟



سليم: لماذا تريد معرفة هذه المعلومة الشخصية؟


Karim: How old are you?

Salim: Why do you want this personal information?

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