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A word or expression is used to modify multiple words or phrases, but with different meanings or implications for each. Often involves a verb with both literal and figurative extensions.^[1]



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Example

فتحت له بابها وقلبها.

She opened her door and her heart to him.

Explanation

The word “opened” has a literal meaning with opening the door, and an figurative meaning with opening her heart.

See also

- [Zeugma and Syllepsis](#)

References

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