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Definition

To allude to a word by negating its antonym, for emphasis, praise, or denial.^[1]



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Example

ليست لندن مدينة صغيرة!

London is not a small city!

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References

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