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signification



structure dénotative

structure connotative

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evocation

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- signification
- denotation
- connotation

These aspects must be seen as related to the four essential term of the "symbol-function".



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subject, symbol, conception, and object

Signification is concerned with the relation between a symbol (or sign) and its object.

Denotation is "the complex relationship which ~~is the best~~ a name has to an object which bears it". (Langer 1958 = 59)

There is a very closely connection here between conceptions and the concrete world.

The more direct relation of the name, or symbol, to its associated concept is its connotation -

The connotation of a word is the concept it conveys.



Linguistic

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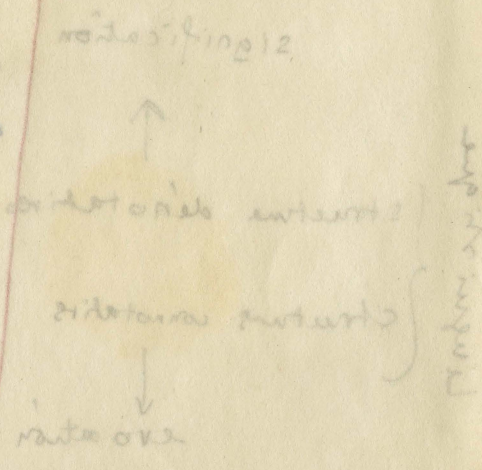
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" Because the connotation remains with the symbol when the object of its denotation is neither present nor looked for, we are able to think about the object without reaching to it overtly at all. (Langer - 1958-64.)

[Langer, S, 1958 - Philosophy in a New Key - New York: Mentor Book, New American Library of World Literature]

The Semantic Paradigm of the Ritual Symbol

Ritual symbols are, polysemous, that is, they have many referents, some of which may be denotata, others connotata.

The Oxford Dictionary, as is well-known, defines a symbol as "a thing regarded by general consent as naturally typifying or representing or recalling something by possession of analogous qualities or by association in fact or thought".