

literal meaning *(lit-er-al-mean-ing)*

Definition

n. The most basic or primary meaning of a word or phrase, without metaphor or allegory.

Example Sentence

The **literal meaning** of the word 'star' refers to a celestial body, not a celebrity.

More Example Sentences

When interpreting the poem, she focused on its **literal meaning** rather than its deeper significance.

Synonyms

exact meaning; direct meaning; explicit meaning

Antonyms

figurative meaning; metaphorical meaning; symbolic meaning

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