

# Understanding Language



## Part I

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## Chapter 1

### Frau Farbissina



*What does the word “fire” mean?*



*Well, that depends. The word “fire” has many meanings.*

The simplest is its *literal* meaning. Burning ionised flames – that kind of thing. That one is easy for the Borg to translate. They just look it up in a Borg look-up table. “Fire” = “whatever the Borg word is”. Easy!

But now let us look at the *symbolic* mean of fire. That one is not quite so straight forward. Because you see it depends on *context*.

*Dr Evil uses Austin’s mojo to get it on with Frau*

What does the word “fire” mean now?

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## Chapter 2

### The Reforging of Narsil



*What does the word “fire” mean?*



*Well, that depends. The word “fire” has many meanings.*

With Dr. Evil and Frau Farbissina it symbolised the fire of *passion*.

Fire can also be to do with *renewal*. *Rebirth*. *Rising from the ashes*. *Regeneration*. Or *transformation*.

### *The Return of the King – The Reforging of Narsil*

With the reforging of Narsil we see the fire of *renewal* and *rebirth*.

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## Chapter 3

### Lighting of the Beacons



*What does the word “fire” mean?*



*Well, that depends. The word “fire” has many meanings.*

The actual meaning of “fire”, symbolically, depends on the context. Only in context is the meaning clear.

[\*Lord of the Rings – Lighting of the Beacons\*](#)

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