Term: Association by Contiguity

Quote: The meanings of words ordinarily depend upon our tendencies to weld together qualities and our aptitudes to see resemblances, or, to use the received phrase, upon associations by similarity; while experience is bound together, and only recognisable, by forces acting upon us, or, to use an even worse chosen technical term, by means of associations by contiguity.

Source: Peirce, C. S. (1892). The Critic of Arguments. II. The Reader is Introduced to Relatives. The Open Court, 6, 3415-3418.

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