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Abstraction

- A scanner for the English language accepts this sentence.

- A sequence of characters gets assembled symbols (words and punctuation).

This␣sense␣makes␣!␣no␣sentence

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