

**NLP**

# Introduction to NLP

*Funny Sentences*

# Silly Sentences

- Children make delicious snacks
- Stolen painting found by tree
- I saw the Rockies flying to San Francisco
- Court to try shooting defendant
- Ban on nude dancing on Governor's desk
- Red tape holds up new bridges
- Government head seeks arms
- Blair wins on budget, more lies ahead
- Local high school dropouts cut in half
- Hospitals are sued by seven foot doctors
- Dead expected To rise
- Miners refuse to work after death
- Patient at death's door – doctors pull him through
- In America a woman has a baby every 15 minutes. How does she do that?

## More Ambiguous Headlines

- Vancouver Police Shoot Man Holding Box Cutter – PPSC Forums
  - <http://www.theppsc.org/forums/showthread.php?t=2657>
- Police: Man Armed With Box Cutters Shot By Officers– CBS New York
  - <http://newyork.cbslocal.com/2011/08/10/police-man-armed-with-box-cutters-shot-by-officer-in-queens/>
- Police Shoot Man With Box Cutters in Astoria
  - <http://nyc.pointslocal.com/news/2011/08/10/nyc/366208/police-shoot-man-with-box-cutters-in-astoria>
- Police shoot man yielding box cutters – Astoria, NY
  - <http://www.astorians.com/community/index.php?topic=21457.0>
- Police Shoot Man With Box Cutters
  - <http://nyc.rawsignal.com/news/Story.aspx?mode=0&id=27330161&ald=5804622&d=110811>

## More Real Headlines

- New worm protests Sri Lankan violence
  - CNN – 05/17/2001
- Cartoon protesters stone embassy
  - <http://www.cnn.com/2006/WORLD/asiapcf/02/06/cartoon.protests/index.html>
- Child killer sentenced to die
  - <http://edition.cnn.com/2006/LAW/03/15/taped.abduction/index.html>
- Probe drills dentist

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- Bulgaria Doubles Money for Parties
  - [http://www.novinite.com/view\\_news.php?id=68597](http://www.novinite.com/view_news.php?id=68597)
- Motorola To Hire 300 Android Developers
  - [http://rss.slashdot.org/~r/Slashdot/slashdot/~3/ir7e66GuL\\_A/article.pl](http://rss.slashdot.org/~r/Slashdot/slashdot/~3/ir7e66GuL_A/article.pl)
- Massachusetts exhales as Bill passes, heads to Canada
  - <http://www.cnn.com/2009/US/weather/08/23/bill.east.coast/index.html>
- U.S. eyes return to the moon
  - <http://www.cnn.com/2003/TECH/space/12/04/us.moon/index.html>
- Flesh-eating bug survivor goes home
  - [http://www.cnn.com/2012/08/22/health/georgia-flesh-eating-bacteria/index.html?hpt=hp\\_t1](http://www.cnn.com/2012/08/22/health/georgia-flesh-eating-bacteria/index.html?hpt=hp_t1)

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Structural ambiguity	
For a chronically absent employee	It seemed her career was just taking off.
For a dishonest employee	Her true ability was deceiving.
For a stupid employee	I most enthusiastically recommend this candidate with no qualifications whatsoever.
For the office drunk	He generally found him loaded with work to do.
Scope ambiguity	
For an employee who is not worth further consideration as a job candidate	All in all, I cannot say enough good things about this candidate or recommend him too highly.
For an employee who is so unproductive that the job is better left unfilled	I can assure you that no person would be better for the job.
Other	
For a lazy employee	He could not care less about the number of hours he has to put in.
For an employee who is not worth further consideration as a job candidate	I would urge you to waste no time in making this candidate an offer of employment.
For a stupid employee	There is nothing you can teach a man like him.

From Beatrice Santorini's collection

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