

Sard

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Andrew Mason — 05 Nov 2011, 22:45

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David Stockhoff — 06 Nov 2011, 13:38 · in reply to Andrew Mason

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Andrew Mason — 06 Nov 2011, 21:06 · follows David Stockhoff

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But that's Latin or Greek. Not allowed.