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- Cost (expenditure, investment, adjustment)
- Incorporated, linked or combined to function equally as business
- Represented by the useful or powerful
- Difference in or affecting the entire body or system

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ACME PACKETS

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Focus on Literary Forms

- parody: a comic piece of writing that mocks the characteristics of a literary form, a specific work, or the style of a certain writer.
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