

Argument

subject
a deep-grained wood
a fine cedar

they would take it out
(The man and his wife)
stroke it
as the neck of
an animal
a pet
an abyssinian cat

they would put
nails to it
and carving knives

fire it in the kiln of
argument

forget it was in there
loosing its mint
and muscle

color and teeth

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