

COMMON DICTIONARY-BASED ABBREVIATIONS IN ENGLISH

1. a.m.	<u>before noon</u>
2. a/c	<u>account, (air conditioning)</u>
3. AC	<u>air conditioning</u>
4. AD	<u>in the year of our Lord</u>
5. ADC	<u>aide-de-camp</u>
6. aka	<u>also known as</u>
7. AOB	<u>any other business</u>
8. approx	<u>approximately</u>
9. Apr.	<u>April</u>
10. aren't	<u>are not, (am not)</u>
11. arr.	<u>arrives, arrival</u>
12. asap	<u>as soon as possible</u>
13. Assoc.	<u>association</u>
14. Asst	<u>assistant</u>
15. ATM	<u>automated teller machine</u>
16. attn	<u>for the attention of</u>
17. Aug.	<u>August</u>
18. Ave.	<u>avenue</u>
19. AWOL	<u>absent without leave</u>
20. b.	<u>born</u>
21. BC	<u>before Christ</u>
22. BCE	<u>before the Common Era</u>
23. c/o	<u>care of</u>
24. can't	<u>cannot</u>
25. Capt.	<u>captain</u>
26. cc	<u>carbon copy (to), cubic centimeter(s)</u>
27. CCTV	<u>closed-circuit television</u>
28. CD	<u>compact disc</u>

29. CD-I	<u>compact disc interactive</u>
30. Cdr	<u>commander</u>
31. CD-R	<u>compact disc recordable</u>
32. Cdre	<u>commodore</u>
33. CD-ROM	<u>compact disc read-only memory</u>
34. CD-RW	<u>compact disc rewritable</u>
35. CE	<u>Common Era</u>
36. cent.	<u>century</u>
37. CEO	<u>chief executive officer</u>
38. cert.	<u>certificate</u>
39. cf.	<u>compare</u>
40. cm	<u>centimeter</u>
41. CNN	<u>Cable News Network</u>
42. Co.	<u>company</u>
43. COD	<u>cash on delivery, (collect on delivery)</u>
44. Col.	<u>colonel</u>
45. col.	<u>column</u>
46. cont.	<u>continued</u>
47. contd	<u>continued</u>
48. Corp.	<u>corporation</u>
49. Cpl	<u>corporal, Corporal</u>
50. CPU	<u>central processing unit</u>
51. CV	<u>curriculum vitae</u>
52. d.	<u>died</u>
53. D.O.B	<u>date of birth</u>
54. Dec.	<u>December</u>
55. dep.	<u>depart, departure</u>
56. Dept	<u>department</u>
57. didn't	<u>did not</u>
58. DJ	<u>disc jockey</u>

59. DLitt	<u>Doctor of Letters</u>	90. G	<u>general audience</u>
60. DM	<u>direct message</u>	91. govt	<u>government</u>
61. DMC	<u>dangerous mechanical condition</u>	92. Gp Capt	<u>group captain</u>
62. do.	<u>Ditto</u>	93. Gt	<u>Great</u>
63. DOA	<u>dead on arrival</u>	94. hadn't	<u>had not</u>
64. don't	<u>do not</u>	95. HE	<u>His Excellency</u>
65. doz.	<u>dozen</u>	96. he'd	<u>he had, he would</u>
66. DPhil	<u>Doctor of Philosophy</u>	97. he'll	<u>he will</u>
67. Dr	<u>Doctor, doctor, (Drive)</u>	98. he's	<u>he is, he has</u>
68. DVD	<u>digital versatile disc, (digital videodisc)</u>	99. Hon	<u>honourable, honorary</u>
69. DVD-A	<u>digital versatile disc audio</u>	100. HQ	<u>headquarters</u>
70. DVD-R	<u>digital versatile disc recordable</u>	101. hr	<u>hour</u>
71. DVD-ROM	<u>digital versatile disc read-only memory</u>	102. HRH	<u>His Royal Highness</u>
72. DVD-RW	<u>digital versatile disc rewritable</u>	103. i.e.	<u>that is to say</u>
73. E	<u>East, Eastern</u>	104. I'd	<u>I would, I had</u>
74. e.g.	<u>for example</u>	105. I'll	<u>I will</u>
75. ed.	<u>editor, edition, edited (by)</u>	106. I'm	<u>I am</u>
76. EMS	<u>enhanced message service</u>	107. I've	<u>I have</u>
77. esp.	<u>especially</u>	108. ID	<u>identity, identification</u>
78. etc.	<u>and so forth</u>	109. Is.	<u>Island</u>
79. f.o.b	<u>free on board</u>	110. isn't	<u>is not</u>
80. F/T	<u>full-time</u>	111. Jan.	<u>January</u>
81. fao	<u>for the attention of</u>	112. Jnr	<u>Junior</u>
82. Feb.	<u>February</u>	113. Jr	<u>Junior</u>
83. fig.	<u>figure (figurative)</u>	114. Jul.	<u>July</u>
84. FM	<u>frequency modulation</u>	115. Jun.	<u>June</u>
85. Fr	<u>Father</u>	116. kg	<u>kilogram(s)</u>
86. Fri.	<u>Friday</u>	117. km	<u>kilometer(s)</u>
87. ft	<u>feet, foot</u>	118. let's	<u>let us</u>
88. Ft	<u>fort</u>	119. Lieut.	<u>lieutenant</u>
89. FT	<u>full-time</u>		

120. Lt	<u>lieutenant</u>
121. Ltd	<u>Limited</u>
122. M	<u>medium</u>
123. Mar.	<u>March</u>
124. max.	<u>maximum</u>
125. MC	<u>master of ceremonies</u>
126. MD	<u>managing director, Doctor of Medicine</u>
127. Messrs	<u>gentlemen</u>
128. min.	<u>minimum, minute(s)</u>
129. mm	<u>millimeter</u>
130. MO	<u>medical officer</u>
131. Mon.	<u>Monday</u>
132. MP	<u>Member of Parliament</u>
133. Mr.	<u>Mister</u>
134. Mrs.	<u>Mistress</u>
135. Ms.	<u>Miss</u>
136. Mt	<u>mount</u>
137. mustn't	<u>must not</u>
138. N	<u>north, northern</u>
139. NB	<u>note carefully</u>
140. NE	<u>north-east, north-eastern</u>
141. needn't	<u>need not</u>
142. Nov.	<u>November</u>
143. NW	<u>north-west, north-western</u>
144. Oct.	<u>October</u>
145. OJ	<u>orange juice</u>
146. p.	<u>page</u>
147. p.a.	<u>per year</u>
148. p.m.	<u>after noon</u>
149. p.p.	<u>on behalf of</u>

150. P/T	<u>part-time</u>
151. PE	<u>physical education</u>
152. PG	<u>parental guidance</u>
153. PhD	<u>Doctor of Philosophy</u>
154. Pl.	<u>Place</u>
155. pl.	<u>plural</u>
156. PM	<u>Prime Minister</u>
157. PMO	<u>private motor omnibus</u>
158. PO	<u>the Post Office, postal order</u>
159. POW	<u>prisoner of war</u>
160. pp.	<u>pages</u>
161. Prof.	<u>Professor</u>
162. pron.	<u>pronoun</u>
163. PS	<u>postscript</u>
164. PSV	<u>public service van</u>
165. Pte	<u>private</u>
166. PTO	<u>please turn over</u>
167. Rd	<u>Road</u>
168. RE	<u>religious education</u>
169. ref.	<u>reference</u>
170. Rev.	<u>Reverend, reverend</u>
171. RIP	<u>rest in peace</u>
172. RSVP	<u>please reply</u>
173. Rt Hon	<u>Right Honourable</u>
174. Rt. Rev.	<u>Right Reverend</u>
175. Rt. Revd	<u>Right Reverend</u>
176. RTA	<u>road traffic accident</u>
177. Rx	<u>prescription</u>
178. S	<u>Saint, small, south, southern</u>
179. Sat.	<u>Saturday</u>
180. sch.	<u>school</u>

181. SE	<u>south-eastern</u>
182. sec.	<u>second(s)</u>
183. Sec.	<u>secretary</u>
184. Secy.	<u>secretary</u>
185. Sept.	<u>September</u>
186. Sergt	<u>sergeant</u>
187. Sgt	<u>sergeant</u>
188. shan't	<u>shall not</u>
189. she'd	<u>she had</u>
190. she'll	<u>she will</u>
191. she's	<u>she is, she has</u>
192. SIM	<u>subscriber identification module</u>
193. SMS.	<u>short message service</u>
194. Snr	<u>Senior</u>
195. Soc.	<u>society</u>
196. SOPs	<u>standard operating procedures</u>
197. SOS	<u>save our souls</u>
198. Sp	<u>spelling</u>
199. sq.	<u>square</u>
200. Sr	<u>Senior</u>
201. SS	<u>Saints</u>
202. st	<u>stone</u>
203. St	<u>Street, State or saint</u>
204. STD	<u>sexually transmitted disease</u>
205. Sun.	<u>Sunday</u>
206. SW	<u>short wave, south-west, south-western</u>
207. TB	<u>tuberculosis</u>
208. TBC	<u>to be confirmed</u>
209. TBD	<u>to be decided</u>
210. tbsp	<u>tablespoon, tablespoonful</u>

211. tel.	<u>telephone number</u>
212. temp	<u>temperature</u>
213. they'd	<u>they had</u>
214. they'll	<u>they will</u>
215. they're	<u>they are</u>
216. they've	<u>they have</u>
217. Thur.	<u>Thursday</u>
218. Thurs.	<u>Thursday</u>
219. Tue.	<u>Tuesday</u>
220. Tues.	<u>Tuesday</u>
221. TV	<u>television</u>
222. v or vs	<u>versus</u>
223. via	<u>by way of</u>
224. VIP	<u>Very Important Person</u>
225. VJ	<u>video jockey</u>
226. vol.	<u>volume</u>
227. W	<u>west, western</u>
228. w/c	<u>week commencing</u>
229. wasn't	<u>was not</u>
230. WC	<u>water closet</u>
231. we'd	<u>we had</u>
232. we're	<u>we are</u>
233. we've	<u>we have</u>
234. Wed	<u>Wednesday</u>
235. weren't	<u>were not</u>
236. won't	<u>will not</u>
237. WWW	<u>World Wide Web</u>
238. you'd	<u>you would, you had</u>
239. you'll	<u>you will</u>
240. you've	<u>you have</u>