

Acronyms

Some words and phrases have been abbreviated for social media and are acceptable in that context. These are usually acronyms. Acronyms are an abbreviation formed from the initial letters of other words and pronounced as a word.

Acronyms however, are NOT appropriate on school-based assignments and other types of formal writing, they should not be used.

Examples of common acronyms:

1. BRB – be right back
2. IDK – I don't know
3. LOL – laughing out loud
4. PPL – people
5. THANKX- thanks
6. DIY- do it yourself
7. VIP- Very important person
8. BTW- By the way
9. TBA- To be announced
10. IRL- In real life

Acronyms can also be used to abbreviate names of government officials and organizations.

Examples:

11. RBDF- Royal Bahamas Defense Force
12. RBPF- Royal Bahamas Police Force
13. PM- Prime minister
14. MP- Member of Parliament
15. HOA- House of Assembly
16. MOE- Ministry of Education
17. FNM- Free National Movement
18. PLP- Progressive Liberal Party