



Acronyms

Acronyms are abbreviations created by using the first letter of each word and are usually written in capital letters, eg NATO.

Modern usage does not usually require full stops between the letters and some acronyms have become recognisable words and no longer use all capital letters, eg Anzac and Qantas.

Acronym	Meaning
Anzac	Australia and New Zealand Army Corps
APEC	Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation
ASEAN	Association of South-East Asian Nations
CD	Compact Disc
CSIRO	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation
DVD	Digital Versatile Disc
HSIE	Human Society and Its Environment
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organisation
OOSH	Out of School Hours
Qantas	Queensland and Northern Territory Aerial Services
RAAF	Royal Australian Air Force
radar	radio detection and ranging
scuba	self-contained underwater breathing apparatus
UN	United Nations