

**abbreviate**

- [ə'brɪ:viət] *v*
1. сокращать (на письме или в устной речи)
  2. сокращать, урезывать  
to abbreviate a long speech - сократить длинную речь
  3. использовать сокращения, аббревиатуры  
she abbreviated so much that it was hard to understand her letters - она так часто сокращала слова, что её письма было трудно понимать

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

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**ab·bre·vi·ate** [abbreviate abbreviates abbreviated abbreviating] *BrE*

[ə'brɪvɪeɪt] *NAmE* [ə'brɪvɪeɪt] **verb usually passive ~ sth (to sth)**  
to make a word, phrase or name shorter by leaving out letters or using only the first letter of each word

**Syn:** ↑shorten

- the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (usually abbreviated to JPL)

Derived Word ↑abbreviated

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	abbreviate
	BrE /ə'brɪ:viət/
	NAmE /ə'brɪ:viət/
he / she / it	abbreviates
	BrE /ə'brɪ:viəts/
	NAmE /ə'brɪ:viəts/
past simple, past participle	abbreviated
	BrE /ə'brɪ:viətɪd/
	NAmE /ə'brɪ:viətɪd/
-ing form	abbreviating
	BrE /ə'brɪ:viətɪŋ/
	NAmE /ə'brɪ:viətɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from late Latin **abbreviat** 'shortened', from the verb **abbreviare** from Latin **brevis** 'short'.

Example Bank:

- On the map, abbreviated forms such as USA and UK are consistently used.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**ab·bre·vi·ate** /ə'brɪvɪeɪt/ *BrE* *AmE* **verb [transitive]**

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: Late Latin; Origin: past participle of abbreviare from Latin brevis 'short']

to make a word or expression shorter by not including letters or using only the first letter of each word **SYN shorten**

**be abbreviated to something**

- 'Information technology' is usually abbreviated to 'IT'.

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Freakuency Pack

12500 **7980**<sup>MCW</sup>  
 15000 **8302**<sup>COCA</sup>  
 RANGE: **6k** ABBREVIATE 1087  
 abbreviate 39  
 abbreviated 654  
 abbreviates 4  
 abbreviating 11  
 abbreviation 185  
 abbreviations 194  
 COCA 500k Unlemmatized  
 24 **156698**<sup>25</sup> *vvi*  
 14 **214516**<sup>14</sup> *vv0*