



Bayview High

Muscle Bound

Chapter 8: Mix It with What?

Working with Words—Acronyms or Abbreviations?

Acronyms are words made up of the first letter of other words.

For example: UNICEF stands for the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund.

Abbreviations are words that have been shortened by leaving out some of the letters.

For example: ILS stands for Imaginary Lat Syndrome

Tell whether each of the following words is an **acronym** or **abbreviation**:

1. RCMP _____
2. USA _____
3. DJ _____
4. AIDS _____
5. NASA _____
6. UFO _____
7. AA _____
8. PIN _____
9. SARS _____
10. ISBN _____

Choose any three of from the list above and give the meaning of each.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____