

## Common Technology Acronyms



On a day-to-day basis, we encounter acronyms to do with technology all of the time. Whether it be when reading an article on a web page or in an email message, on TV or on the Radio. We might know what some of them mean, but it is unlikely that we know all of the meanings. So, to help, following is a list of some of the most common acronyms and what they stand for as well as a few others that are not so common.

<b>AI:</b>	Artificial Intelligence
<b>AR:</b>	Augmented Reality
<b>ASCII:</b>	American Standard Code for Information Interchange
<b>BIOS:</b>	Basic Input/Output System
<b>CD:</b>	Compact Disk
<b>CPU:</b>	Central Processing Unit
<b>DAB:</b>	Digital Audio Broadcasting
<b>DVD:</b>	Digital Versatile Disk
<b>FAQ:</b>	Frequently Asked Questions
<b>FTP:</b>	File Transfer Protocol
<b>GPS:</b>	Global Positioning System
<b>GUI:</b>	Graphical User Interface
<b>HDMI:</b>	High Definition Multimedia Interface
<b>HTML:</b>	Hyper Text Mark-up Language
<b>HTTP:</b>	Hyper Text Transfer Protocol
<b>IBM:</b>	International Business Machine
<b>IMAP:</b>	Internet Message Access Protocol
<b>ISP:</b>	Internet Service Provider
<b>JPEG:</b>	Joint Photographic Experts Group
<b>LAN:</b>	Local Area Network
<b>LCD:</b>	Liquid Crystal Display
<b>LED:</b>	Light Emitting Diode
<b>LTE:</b>	Long Term Evolution
<b>Modem:</b>	Modulator-Demodulator
<b>OEM:</b>	Original Equipment Manufacturer
<b>OS:</b>	Operating System

**PC:** Personal Computer  
**PDF:** Portable Document Format  
**POP:** Post Office Protocol  
**QR Code:** Quick Response Code  
**RAM:** Random Access Memory  
**ROM:** Read Only Memory  
**RSS:** Really Simple Syndication  
**SIM:** Subscriber Identity Module  
**SMTP:** Simple Mail Transfer Protocol  
**SSD:** Solid State Drive  
**TFT:** Thin Film Transistor  
**URL:** Uniform Resource Locator  
**USB:** Universal Serial Bus  
**VDU:** Video Display Unit  
**WAN:** Wide Area Network  
**Wi-Fi:** Wireless Fidelity  
**WYSIWYG:** What You See Is What You Get