
Subject: BRILLIANT IDEA!

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rm5248Yes, but they abbreviate how many... errrr.... things the word has. I forget the name, but when you say a word like 'Aircraftkiller' it has 3 of these, so people abbreviate the first letter of them. Unfortunatly I have a great idea of what I'm talking about but forget the word for it.

The word you are looking for is syllable. Unfortunately though, you are not correct in how an abbreviation is formed.

Quote:ab-bre-vi-a-tion

n.

1. The act or product of shortening.
2. A shortened form of a word or phrase used chiefly in writing to represent the complete form, such as Mass. for Massachusetts or USMC for United States Marine Corps.

For the record, the term "ACK" is not an abbreviation of Aircraftkiller's name, it could be an acronym.

Quote:ac-ro-nym

n.

A word formed from the initial letters of a name, such as WAC for Women's Army Corps, or by combining initial letters or parts of a series of words, [u]such as radar for radio detecting and ranging.

Of course, "ACK" would only be an acronym if his name were "Aircraft Killer", which it is not. Since Aircraftkiller's name does not have a space, it's now a compound word. Being that it's a compound word, you are not able to make an acronym of a single word. Therefore, if you were to use the term "ACK" when referring to Aircraftkiller, you would be using in improperly created abbreviation of his name.

So now let's drop it.
