jacket /ˈdʒækət/ noun a paper or plastic cover for a book • verb to put a jacket on a book
jacket design /ˈdʒækət dɪˈzæn/ noun the design of a book jacket
jacket designer /ˈdʒækət dɪˈzænə/ noun a person who designs book jackets
jam /dʒæm/ verb 1. to stop working because something is blocked or stuck • The printer’s jammed. 2. to interfere with a radio or electronic signal so that it cannot be received clearly
JANET /ˈdʒeɪ nɛt/ abbreviation Joint Academic NETwork
jargon /dʒəˈɡɔn/ noun a language that uses words and expressions in specific, often technical, ways that relate to a particular field of study
ˈAccording to a spokesperson for Barclays, the bank tested a much larger range of new words and phrases than the final set. ‘The idea was to look at the language that banks use and eliminate the jargon that sometimes makes it difficult for customers to understand the bank and the bank to communicate with its customers’, the spokesperson said.
[Bank Marketing International]
je abbreviation in Internet addresses, the top-level domain for Jersey
jiffy bag /ˈdʒɪfi bæg/ noun a padded envelope used to protect goods which are sent through the post
jigsaw puzzle library /ˈdʒɪsəɡ ˈpʌlzəliərbruː/ noun a UK library founded in 1933 and holding over 4000 wooden handcut jigsaws
JISC abbreviation Joint Information Systems Committee
jm abbreviation in Internet addresses, the top-level domain for Jamaica
jo abbreviation in Internet addresses, the top-level domain for Jordan
job /dʒəb/ noun 1. any task which needs to be done 2. work that is done to earn money
job applicant /dʒəb əˌplɪkənt/ noun somebody who applies to be considered for a job
jobbing printer /dʒəbɪŋ ˈprɪntə/ noun a person who undertakes small printing jobs
job description /dʒəb ˈdɛskrɪpʃən/ noun an official statement of what a job involves
job scheduling /dʒəb ˈʃedjuolɪŋ/ noun the process of allocating specific tasks to people and times
job specification /dʒəb ˈspecɪfɪkeɪʃən/ noun detailed objectives for a job
join /dʒɔɪn/ verb 1. to fasten two or more things together 2. to become a member of an organisation
joint /dʒɔɪnt/ noun either of the creases between the spine and the front and back covers of a book, especially a hardback
Joint Academic NETwork /dʒɔɪnt əˈkɔdəmɪk ˈnetwɜːk/ noun a national communication system which uses electronic mail and other systems between universities. Abbr JANET
joint author /dʒɔɪnt ˈɔːtər/ noun a person who writes a book in collaboration with others
joint authorship /dʒɔɪnt ˈɔːtərʃɪp/ noun a situation in which several
authors have written a book together and share the rights in it

**joint imprint** /ˌdʒɔɪnt ɪˈmpraɪnt/ noun the imprints of two publishers which appear on a book that has been published by the two companies jointly

**Joint Information Systems Committee** /ˌdʒɔɪnt ɪn+fəˈmeɪʃ(ə)n ˈsɪstəmz ˈkɑːmiti/ noun a professional body which works to promote the use of information systems to support education and administration needs. Abbr JISC

**Joint Photographic Experts Group** /ˌdʒɔɪnt fəˈspəʊɪrəˈgrɛfs ˈgruːp/ noun full form **JPEG**

**journal** /ˈdʒɔːrnl/ noun a specialist magazine

**journalalese** /ˈdʒɔːrnlələˌziː/ noun a style of writing with clichés and hackneyed phrases often used by journalists

**journalist** /ˈdʒɔːrniəlist/ noun a person who writes for a newspaper or magazine

**joystick** /ˈdʒɔɪstɪk/ noun a hand-held control lever attached to a computer which can be used to play computer games

**jp** abbreviation in Internet addresses, the top-level domain for Japan

**JPEG** /ˌdʒɔɪtˈeɪpɛdʒ/ noun a data file for pictures and photographs on the Internet. Full form **Joint Photographic Experts Group**

**.jpeg** /ˌdʒɔɪtˈeɪpɛdʒ/, .jpg suffix a file extension for a JPEG file. Full form **JPEG**

**jumpstation** /ˌdʒʌmpˌsteɪʃ(ə)n/ noun a website whose primary function is to provide links to other websites, especially those relating to a particular subject

**junior** /ˈdʒuːniər/ adjective younger or lower in rank than another person

**junk** /dʒʌŋk/ noun information or hardware that is old and useless

**junk mail** /dʒʌŋk meɪl/ noun unwanted publicity and advertisements sent through the post

**justification** /ˌdʒʌstɪˈfɪkeɪʃ(ə)n/ noun the process of adjusting the spacing in printed text so that the text starts and ends exactly at the margins

**justify** /ˈdʒʌstɪfaɪ/ verb 1. to change the spacing between words or characters so that each line of the text ends exactly at the right-hand margin 2. to give a good reason for something: Can you justify the expenditure on children’s books?

**juvenile** /ˌdʒuːvəˈnuːl/ noun a young person

**juxtapose** /ˌdʒʌksəˈpəʊz/ verb to put two things next to each other in order to emphasise the difference between them