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K abbreviation  thousand £1k £1000
Kb, Kbit abbreviation kilobit
KB, Kbyte abbreviation kilobyte  The new disk drive has a 100GB capacity.
ke abbreviation in Internet addresses, the top-level domain for Kenya
Keesings Contemporary Archives /ki:zinz kan,tem(t)ərəi ˈtə:kəvvi/ plural noun a monthly publication listing world events reported in the press
Kelly’s Directories /ˈkeiləz dat,tekt(ə)zi/ plural noun a series of business directories listing products and services and the street names in Britain
Kermit /ˈkɛrmit/ noun a file transfer protocol which enables computer programs to be transferred from one system to another
key /ki/ noun 1. a button on a computer keyboard which is pressed to operate the machine 2. something that is important  a verb to type information using a computer or typesetting machine  The entire text was keyed in Times italic.  rekey
keyboard /ˈkɪbɔːd/ noun a set of keys arranged in order and used to enter information into a computer or typesetter
keyboader /ˈkɪbɔːdər/ noun a person who types information into a computer
keyboarding /ˈkɪbɔːdɪŋ/  keying /kiˈɪŋ/ noun the act of entering data on a keyboard
keyboard operator /ˈkɪbɔːd,ɒpərətər/ noun a person who works with a keyboard
key field /ˈkɪfl/ noun a field which identifies important entries in a record, e.g. name and address
key function /ˈkɪʃəntʃən/ noun a stored command given to a specific key on a computer
key in /ˈkɪn/ verb to enter text or commands on a computer by means of a keyboard
keynote /ˈkɪnəut/ noun the part of a policy or speech which is emphasised and given the most importance
keynote speech /ˈkɪnəut,spɪtʃ/ noun a speech at a conference which states the main topic for discussion
keypad /ˈkɪvpæd/ noun 1. a set of numerical keys often used for security devices to open doors by means of a known code 2. numerical keys set separately on the right-hand side of a computer keyboard
keystroke /ˈkɪstrəʊk/ noun an act of pressing a key on a keyboard
key system /ˈkiːsɪstəm/ noun a system which controls all other functions
keyword /ˈkɪwɜːd/ noun the most important word in a title or sentence
keyword and context /ˈkɪwɜːd ən ˈkɒntekst/ noun full form of KWAC
keyword in context /ˈkɪwɜːd ɪn ˈkɒntekst/ noun full form of KWIC
keyword out of context /ˈkɪwɜːd əu t ˈkɒntekst/ noun full form of KWOC
keyword out of title /ˈkɪwɜːd əu t ˈtæt(ə)t/ noun full form of KWOT
keyword search /ˈkɪwɜːd ˈsɜːtʃ/ noun a system of searching a database
by using combinations of special words
connected with the subject of the search

kilo- /ˈkɪləʊ/ noun a measure of
1,024 bits of data. Abbr Kb, Kbit
kilobyte /ˈkɪləʊbaɪt/ noun a unit of
measurement for high capacity storage
devices meaning 1,024 bytes of data.
Abbr KB, Kbyte
King James Bible /ˈkɪn dʒeɪmz ˈbeɪb(ə)l/ noun same as Authorised
Version

kiosk /ˈkɒsk/ noun a small, often
wooden building, used for selling things

knockdown price /ˈnɒkdaʊn ˈpraɪs/ noun a price that is much lower
than normal

know-how /ˈnəʊ ˈhau/ noun
knowledge about how to do specific tasks,
especially technical or scientific ones

knowledge /ˈnɒlɪdʒ/ noun abstract
information and understanding that
somebody has about a subject

knowledgeable /ˈnɒlɪdʒəbl/ adjective
possessing or showing a great
deal of knowledge, awareness or intellect

knowledge base /ˈnɒlɪdʒ bɛs/ noun
the computerised data in an expert
system required for solving problems in
a specific area

class-based system

knowledge management /ˈnɒlɪdʒ ˈmænɪdʒmənt/ noun the activity of
coordinating the specialist knowledge
possessed by employees so that it can be
exploited to create benefits and competitive
advantage for the organisation.

Knowledge Management is
important because many organisations are
doubly not truly ‘hunting as a pack’ and
are thus not getting a decent return on
their people’s knowledge – or intellectual capital. Organisations that
have grown by acquisition are in many
cases nothing more than a federation
of loosely coupled, and often antagonistic, units. Hence they are not
punching their true weight.’

knowledge mapping /ˈnɒlɪdʒ ˈmeɪpɪŋ/ noun the process of effectively
documenting and representing knowledge
harvested from experts

knowledge representation

knowledge resources /ˈnɒlɪdʒ ˈrɜːsəs/ noun documented
knowledge on a subject such as effective
management, which can be used to
teach others

knowledge strategy /ˈnɒlɪdʒ ˈstrætɪkəl/ noun a set of guidelines
laying out the way that knowledge
should be collated and shared within a
company

Knowledge Management is
knowledge transfer

**knowledge transfer** /ˈnɒlɪdʒ ˈtrænsfər/ *noun* the communication of specialised knowledge developed in part of an organisation to a wider group such as another part of the organisation or business customers

**knowledge visualisation** /ˈnɒlɪdʒ ˈvɪʒuəlaɪzəʃ(ə)n/ *noun* the process of mapping knowledge in the most effective way so that it can be shared with others

**knowledge worker** /ˈnɒlɪdʒ ˈwɜːkər/ *noun* 1. somebody working in an industry that produces information rather than goods, e.g. management consultancy or computer programming 2. an employee whose value to an organisation lies in the information, ideas and expertise that they possess

**Kompass Directories** /ˈkɒmpəs ˈdɜːtrɪktəriːz/ *plural noun* listings for different countries of most registered companies, e.g. of industrial companies with more than 10 employees who trade nationally in the UK

**kp** *abbreviation* in Internet addresses, the top-level domain for North Korea

**kr** *abbreviation* in Internet addresses, the top-level domain for South Korea

**Kurzweil** /ˈkɜːrtsviːl/ a trademark for an OCR reader which can recognise typefaces and reads printed text into a computer, converting the printed signs to code

**kw** *abbreviation* in Internet addresses, the top-level domain for Kuwait

**KWAC** /ˈkwæk/ *noun* a library indexing system using keywords from the title and text as the index entries. Full form **keyword and context**

**KWIC** /ˈkwɪk/ *noun* a library indexing system which uses the title or text to illustrate the meaning of the index entry. Full form **keyword in context**

**KWOC** /ˈkwɒk/ *noun* a library indexing system using any relevant keywords not necessarily used in the text. Full form **keyword out of context**

**KWOT** /ˈkwɒt/ *noun* an indexing system using words not in the title. Full form **keyword out of title**

**ky** *abbreviation* in Internet addresses, the top-level domain for Cayman Islands

**kz** *abbreviation* in Internet addresses, the top-level domain for Kazakhstan