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Space Code Acronyms Answer Key

Acronyms Found:

1. **NASA** - National Aeronautics and Space Administration
2. **FBI** - Federal Bureau of Investigation
3. **USB** - Universal Serial Bus
4. **TV** - Television
5. **ISS** - International Space Station

Teacher's Guide

- Begin by discussing what an acronym is and giving familiar examples (e.g., **USA, LOL, ATM**).
- Read the story aloud first, pausing briefly at each acronym for students to predict or infer its meaning.
- Encourage students to identify acronyms in other classroom materials or posters afterward.

Differentiation Ideas:

- **Younger learners (Grades 1-2):** Provide a list of possible acronym meanings to match.
- **High school extension:** Have students research how acronyms evolve and analyze differences between acronyms and initialisms.

Engagement and Extension:

- Play “Acronym Detective”: hide new acronyms around the classroom for students to decode.
- Have students create **original acronyms** for imaginary organizations, games, or inventions.
- Tie this activity to science, social studies, or media lessons (e.g., acronyms used in technology, government, or pop culture).