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## Acronym Argument

**Directions:** Read the short text below about the use of acronyms in communication. Then, prepare a **short debate speech or class presentation** arguing whether acronyms **help** or **hinder** understanding in modern communication. Use examples, reasoning, and evidence from your own experiences or observations.

### Acronyms: Shortcut or Confusion?

Acronyms are everywhere—from text messages like **LOL** and **BRB** to professional fields filled with terms such as **FBI**, **NASA**, and **UNESCO**. They save time and space, allowing people to communicate ideas quickly. In science and business, acronyms make long terms easier to remember and share. However, their rapid spread in digital communication has also created confusion. Many people misunderstand or misuse acronyms, especially when new ones appear daily online.

While acronyms can make language more efficient, they also risk **excluding** those who don't know their meanings. This raises a question: do acronyms improve communication, or do they make it harder for people to understand one another?

**Task Prompt** - Prepare a **2–3 minute speech or written argument** taking one of the following positions:

- **Position A:** Acronyms **help** communication by saving time, simplifying ideas, and connecting people across fields.
- **Position B:** Acronyms **hinder** communication by creating barriers, confusion, and misunderstanding.

In your response:

- Use at least **three examples** of acronyms.
- Include at least **one counterargument** (a point the other side might make).
- End with a strong conclusion or call to action.