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**STUDY GUIDE:
ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS**

ACRONYMS

AA	Alcoholics Anonymous
AARP	American Association of Retired Persons
AC	Alternating Current
ACT	American College Test
ADD	Attention Deficit Disorder
AFL	American Federation of Labor
AFL-CIO	American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
ALCOA	Aluminum Company of America
AM	Amplitude Modulation
AP	Associated Press
APB	All Points Bulletin
ASAP	As Soon as Possible
ATM	Automated Teller Machine
AWOL	Absent Without Official Leave
BASIC	Beginner's All-Purpose Symbolic Instruction Code (computer language)
B.S.A.	Boy Scouts of America
CAT	(scan) Computerized Axial Tomography
CD	Certificate of Deposit; Compact Disc
CFC	Chlorofluorocarbon
CIA	Central Intelligence Agency
COD	Cash on Delivery; Collect on Delivery

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CPA	Certified Public Accountant
CPR	Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation
CRT	Cathode Ray Tube
CST	Central Standard Time
DA	District Attorney
DC	Direct Current; District of Columbia
DDS	Doctor of Dental Surgery
DDT	Dichlorodiphenyl Trichloroethane
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic Acid
DST	Daylight Savings Time
DVD	Digital Video Disc; Digital Versatile Disc
ECG or EKG	Electrocardiogram
EEG	Electroencephalogram
EMT	Emergency Medical Technician
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
ERA	Earned Run Average; Equal Rights Amendment
ESP	Extrasensory Perception
EST	Eastern Standard Time
FAX	Facsimile
FBI	Federal Bureau of Investigation
FCC	Federal Communications Commission
FDA	Food and Drug Administration
FDIC	Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
FFA	Future Farmers of America
FHA	Future Homemakers of America; Federal Housing Administration
FM	Frequency Modulation
FTC	Federal Trade Commission
GNP	Gross National Product
GOP	Grand Old Party
GPA	Grade Point Average
HMO	Health Maintenance Organization
HUD	Housing and Urban Development (Department of)
IBM	International Business Machines
ICC	Interstate Commerce Commission
IQ	Intelligence Quotient
IRA	Individual Retirement Account
IRS	International Trade Organization

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IV	Intravenous
KKK	Ku Klux Klan
LASER	Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation
LED	Light Emitting Diode
LPN	Licensed Practical Nurse
MADD	Mothers Against Drunk Driving
MASH	Mobile Army Surgical Unit
MB	Megabyte
MC	Master of Ceremonies
MIA	Missing in Action
MPH	Miles Per Hour
MRI	Magnetic Resonance Imaging
MS	Multiple Sclerosis
NAACP	National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Association
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
NASCAR	National Association of Sports Car Racing
NASDAQ	National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
NBS	National Broadcasting Service
NCAA	National College (Collegiate) Athletic Association
NFL	National Football League
NHL	National Hockey League
NLRB	National Labor Relations Board
NOW	National Organization for Women
OPEC	Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries
PBS	Public Broadcasting Service
PA	Public Address
PC	Personal Computer
PGA	Professional Golf Association
PIN	Personal Identification Number; Police Information Network
PLO	Palestine (Palestinian) Liberation Organization
POW	Prisoner of War
PST	Pacific Standard Time
PTA	Parent Teacher Association
PVC	Polyvinyl Chloride
RADAR	Radio Detecting and Ranging