

## Who's Who? Abbreviations for People's Titles

An **abbreviation** is a shortened form of a word or phrase. An abbreviation includes letters taken from the word or phrase. People's titles and names often use abbreviations.

### Abbreviations Before Names

Doctor	→	Dr.	Captain	→	Capt.
Mister	→	Mr.	President	→	Pres.
Missus	→	Mrs.	Governor	→	Gov.
Miss	→	Ms.	Secretary	→	Sec.
Reverend	→	Rev.	Senator	→	Sen.
Honorable	→	Hon.	Representative	→	Rep.
Professor	→	Prof.	Saint	→	St.
General	→	Gen.	Sergeant	→	Sgt.
Private	→	Pvt.	Detective	→	Det.

### Abbreviations After Names

Esquire	→	Esq.
Junior	→	Jr.
Senior	→	Sr.
Bachelor of Art	→	B.A.
Bachelor of Science	→	B.S.
Master of Art	→	M.A.
Master of Science	→	M.S.
Medical Doctor	→	M.D.
Juris Doctor	→	J.D.
Doctor of Philosophy	→	Ph.D.
Doctor of Education	→	Ed.D.
Doctor of Dental Surgery	→	D.D.S.

**Directions:** Rewrite each sentence with the correct abbreviations.

1. President Carter met with Secretary Vance to discuss the matter.

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2. Detective Miller is on that case, and I know he'll talk to Private Smith.

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3. Robert Keeney Junior is my math tutor.

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4. Honorable Judge Johnson will oversee this trial.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Professor Hayward, Doctor of Philosophy is out for lunch.

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6. I called my lawyer, Shannon Rugnetta, Juris Doctor, for a meeting.

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7. Governor Davis and Senator Vilms will speak at the event.

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8. It is important to contact Representative Deen about this issue.

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9. Doctor Wood had a conversation with Sergeant Mendez yesterday.

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10. I saw the sign outside of the office that said, "Angela Lew, Doctor of Dental Surgery."

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11. **Challenge!** Write your own sentence using at least two of the abbreviations for people's titles.

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