



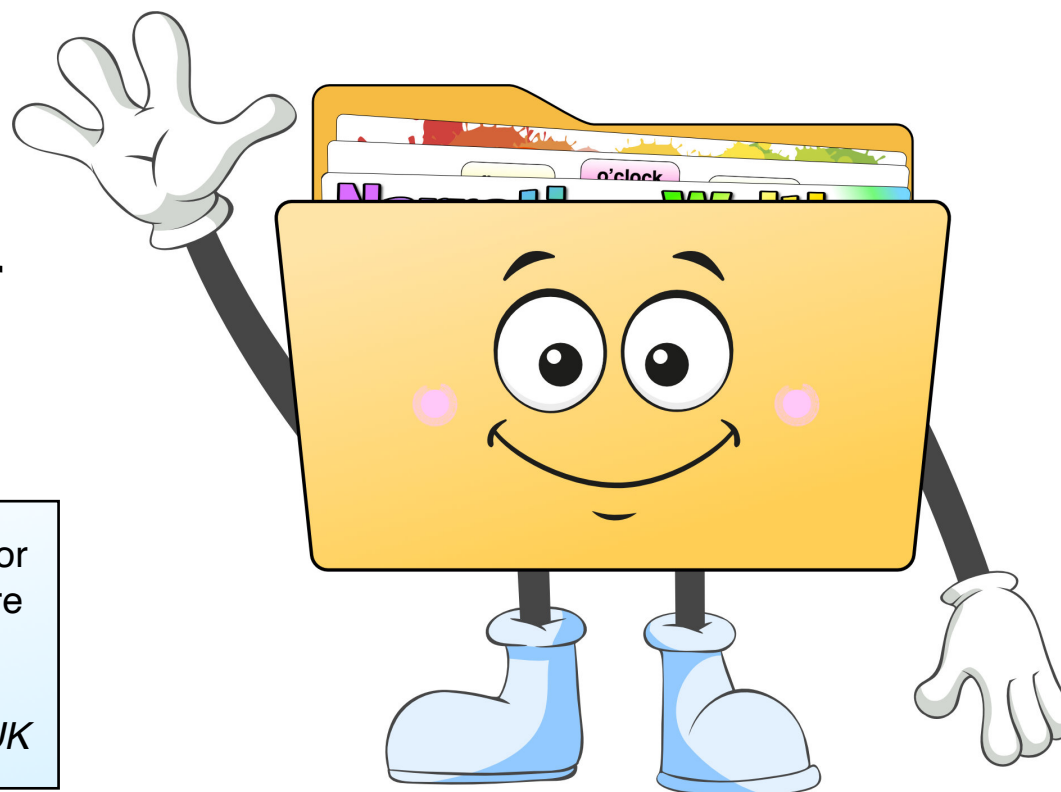
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abbreviation

Definition

A shortened form
of a word or phrase.



Example

They don't go in there!
(don't is an abbreviation of do not)





abstract noun

Definition

A noun that refers to an idea, state or quality (rather than an object).

Example

The monster towered over me, and I knew I had to summon all of my courage if I wanted a chance to escape.





active voice

Definition

When the subject of a verb carries out an action.

Examples

Ethan opened the window
and threw the paper airplane
as hard as he could.





adjective

Definition

A part of speech that describes a noun.



Examples

She turned the stained,
tatty pages of the book.





adverb

Definition

A part of speech that describes a verb.



Example

Swans glided slowly past.





adverbial

Definition

A phrase that is used
as an adverb.



Example

They sang songs
throughout the evening.





alliteration

Definition

When a group of words, all beginning with the same letter sound, are placed close together.



Examples

The whistling wind whispered
through the weeping willows.



antonyms

Definition

Words which mean the opposite of each other.



Examples

You might love that idea, but I detest it.





apostrophe (possessive)

Definition

Used to show when something belongs to somebody.



Example

The cat's tail swished
back and forth.





apostrophe (omission)

Definition

Used to show where letters
have been missed out.



Example

Let us know if you're coming.
(you're is a contraction for you are)





auxiliary verb



Definition

Words that 'help' a verb go into different tenses or times, or add to the meaning.



Examples

I had already been to the shop, but I had to go again for the bread.

