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Abbreviation as a Language Phenomenon in Self-Made Captions used by Teenagers on TikTok Social Media

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Abstract

People often use TikTok to share their daily activities, interact with friends, do some business, and for educational goals such as share information, exchange their opinions, and runs a discussion. This research is driven by two primary objectives: first, to analyse the forms of English abbreviation words; second, to describe the reason why the teens use English abbreviation words in TikTok. This study used qualitative research with purposive sampling method, the study meticulously analysed abbreviation words in TikTok by the teenagers collected from January to June 2024. The source of data of this research were words, phrase, and sentences in video and caption which people use in TikTok as the prime source. We also used the answers from the interview which is given to TikTok users around the world as the source. The data analyzed by using qualitative descriptive method with applying Bengtsson theory. The findings of the study indicate that there were 120 English abbreviation words found and often used by the users from all the world. It found that there were five kinds of abbreviation words namely clipping word, initialism, acronym, contraction, and blend. Based on this study, it also found that people mostly use types of abbreviation through initialism. There are four reasons why people use English abbreviation words in TikTok, they are limited space to type, the need to type faster, follow the trend, and the presentation of typing.

Keywords: Abbreviation, Morphology, Word formation, Tiktok.

INTRODUCTION

People are now provided with technology that make is easier for them to communicate with one another. People like to interact in cyberspace through Social Network. By using an internet connection, people from all over the world can connect through social network which facilitates us in social interaction. One of the technologies which help people needs is social media. There are various kind of social media; such as YouTube, Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, and many more. The newest social media that attracted people's attention namely TikTok. TikTok is a platform where people can make and share videos about 15 seconds to 3 minutes. Since 2019, TikTok has gained popularity in Asia such as China, Korea, Thailand, and many more include Indonesia (Dilon, 2020). TikTok is extremely popular among the younger generation since it allows them to

express themselves imaginatively. TikTok is originally used by teenagers to share hilarious videos of themselves singing, dancing, or lip-syncing to their favorite songs (Mohsin, 2021).

Nowadays, people often use TikTok to share their daily activities, interact with friends, do business, and for educational goals such as share information, exchange their opinions, and do a discussion. TikTok has a lot of benefits for us. Besides being a media for interaction and communication, TikTok can increase our confident to express ourselves, lead us to be more creative and innovative, and more importantly we can gain more knowledge about various kinds of general and educational information which widespread in TikTok.

However, with the limited number of characters that TikTok provided, people make and use a shortened or abbreviation words in order to reduce the typing of characters in the content they uploaded such as LOL (Laughing Out Loud), BTW (By The Way), ROTFL (Rolling on The Floor Laughing), and many more. Abbreviation is a short form of a word or phrase. It can be formed by the first letters of the word or phrase and normally said by spelling each letter, or pronounced as a full word (Wahyuni, 2017).

The phenomenon of abbreviations that happens and raises cannot be separated from the need of people to write quickly and briefly. Originally, people have no difficulty in understanding and using English abbreviation words because the number and kind of abbreviation words is not too much and still tolerable. With the development of language, various kinds of abbreviation words are created that are widely spread in society, especially in social media. In fact, we often find some problems that happened because of the mistakes in the interpretation of the words which written by other people. Because of errors in understanding the meaning of the text, writing with abbreviation words is quite often difficult to understand by others.

Numerous studies have explored the morphological process, they largely focus on news media (Adha & Dania, 2020; Luthfiyati et al., 2017; Triwahyuni, 2018) offered their findings of there were six types of word formation found in the VOA News articles, they were derivation, compound, acronym, initialism, clipping/ abbreviation, and conversion. From those types, compound was the most common word formation found in the articles because it was the basic division in forming the words. The next kind of popular studies that explored the abbreviation are focused on songs (Mujibul Hidayat, 2020; Raodhatul & Ardi, 2019; Sinaga et al., 2022) They came to the findings that most formed word were compounding and borrowing. It can be concluded that compounding and borrowing process the most found in a song's lyric. Another research focused on slangs used in movies (Arumi & Sulis Setiyono, 2021; Derin et al., 2019; Fitria, 2021; K ROWLING Intan Savira, 2019; Mujibul Hidayat, 2020; Tilavova, 23 C.E.) based on their reseach revealed that inflection is the most frequently used on the other hand compounding is the less frequently used in the movie. In line with there are some research who conduct the same topic through classroom area (Adha & Dania, 2020; Arumi & Sulis Setiyono, 2021; Azis & Rosa, 2018; Aziz & Nolikasari, 2020; Derin et al., 2019; Dewati & Kepirianto, 2021; Faradisa et al., 2019; Fitria, 2021; Hafiza & Rosa, 2020; Hüning & Schlücker, 2023; Indrian, 2022; Intan Savira, 2019; Kalukar et al., 2023; Loutfi, 2018; Luthfiyati et al., 2017; Mujibul Hidayat, 2020; Nurul Laili et al., 2023; Qamar et al., 2022; Raodhatul & Ardi, 2019; Ratih & Gusdian, 2018; Rizki & Marlina, 2018; Setiawan et al., 2019; Shofi Zuhri et al., 2022; Sinaga et al., 2022; Tilavova, 23 C.E.; Triwahyuni, 2018; Wibowo & Hamidah, 2023; Wibowo & Handayani, 2023) the process of blending and clipping occurring in the students writing is still suitable and possible to apply in

academic context. Compounding, inflection, and derivation are the processes which are commonly used in every writing. However the clipping and blending were rarely used in writing

Based on the explanation above, the reason why we conducted this research is because we found there are various kind of abbreviation words used by TikTok users based on the process of words forming created new language style. This research is driven by two primary objectives: firstly, to find out the types of English abbreviation words that is commonly used on TikTok, and secondly, to uncover the underlying reasons of use the English abbreviation words in TikTok by the teenagers.

Theoretically, this research is expected will take a contribution in the development of language and linguistics, specifically for morphology which is about the process of word formation through abbreviation. This research also provides more information about the extension of English abbreviation words. It is hopefully give more awareness of any new expressions in English abbreviation words used in TikTok. It can be a new reference and comparison for those who interested in conduction research about the topic. Practically, this research is expected will give more knowledge in vocabulary and abbreviation word. As common abbreviation words are quite often used in academic writing with the intention of avoiding the repetition of some long words or terms in paragraph, essay, and many more.

METHOD

In this research, we conducted the research by using qualitative research. The essential element of qualitative research is that it investigates how individuals make meaning of their experiences of real-life in their own minds with their words. We used descriptive qualitative research as the design of this research. Descriptive qualitative research aims to interpret and explain a real phenomenon including its characteristics (Nassaji, 2015). In this research, the data is collected by documentation and interview and focuses on the abbreviation phenomenon that existed in everyday life of TikTok users from all around the world. The source of data of this research were words, phrase, and sentences in video and caption which people use in TikTok as the prime source. We also used the answers from the interview which is given to TikTok users around the world as the source. We used two instruments in this research, by documentation from TikTok as the platform to find and classify the English abbreviation words and interview to the TikTok users. Document as an instrument can be provided in 2 forms. First, in written such as transcripts, journals, textbook, novel, lesson plan, and other. Second, in non-written such as photo, videotapes, audiotapes, and many more. In this research, we used screenshot image as the way to collect the data. The other instrument is an interview. An interview is a long dialogue between two people that aims to achieve details about a specific subject or topic, and upon which a phenomenon can be understood in terms of the interpretations that interviewee carried out (Qu & Dumay, 2013). We used inteview in order to find the reasons why TikTok users use English abbreviation words in their TikTok contents. The questions are as follows:

1. What are interesting things about TikTok that made you download the application?
2. What contents do you like to create or watch in TikTok?
3. What do you think about English abbreviation words that often used by TikTok users?
4. Do you like to use English abbreviation words in your TikTok? Why?
5. Mention some English abbreviation words that often you find in TikTok!

To collect the data, we scrolled down For You Page from writer account and read the closed captions and the captions until find the contents which contain English abbreviation words. From TikTok, the data is collected by we from capturing the videos they uploaded in a screenshot/image form. The next step, the data classification used to classify each word that had been collected based on the kinds of English abbreviation words so it can be easier to we to analyze Moreover, we held an interview to 5 chosen participants to get some data about the reason of using English abbreviation words.

FINDINGS AND DISCUSSIONS

The section consists of argumentation of the article regarding to answer the research problems. Bagian. Subheadings consists of detail analysis to object of research with consideration of approach, theory used in analyzing.

1. Participants' Profile

The participant in this research were 5 TikTok users from different countries in order to get different perspectives about abbreviation. Participants use TikTok as a social media where they can communicate while using English abbreviation words. Some of the participants like to upload their TikTok videos that contains English abbreviation words. Some of them are only enjoying videos from other people and give comments. The participants can be sorted as follows:

Table 1 Participants' Profile

No.	Participants	Gender	Age	Country
1	ADR	M	17	Germany
2	KKO	F	21	Philippines
3	ILH	M	23	Indonesia
4	HNL	F	23	South Korea
5	DNL	F	25	Italia

The table above shows that there are 5 participants. There are 4 females and a male in rage age 17 to 25 years old. Interview between we and participants will be described below:

1. ADR (Germany)
    a. What are interesting things about TikTok that made you download the application?
        "It's a funny application and the most famous thing right now."
    b. What contents do you like to create or watch in TikTok?
        "I like to post videos that viral on internet and i like to watch dance videos and other tiktok trends."
    c. What do you think about English abbreviation words that often used by TikTok users?
        "Those words is so helpful and effective to be used on tiktok and other platforms."
    d. Do you like to use English abbreviation words in your TikTok? Why?
        "Yes, because it makes my words look simple and not too long. I also can type faster."
    e. Mention some English abbreviation words that often you find in TikTok!

"Lol, vid, sus, tho, lmao, oomf, bro, tia, vo, cc, cr, jk, fr, rn, insta, thx, rip, wyd, hmu, sub, dw, pict, fyp, ib, ootd, adiml, wieiad, grwm, bf, gf, y'all, y'know, fav, idk, idc, lmk, ngl, smh."

2. KKO (Philippines)
   a. What are interesting things about TikTok that made you download the application?
      "I downloaded tiktok because it's the current trendy app. It has a lot of funny videos. Most of my favourite artists also made tiktok page."
   b. What contents do you like to create or watch in TikTok?
      "I like to create videos about my favourite idols, DISH// and The Rose. I like to watch idol videos, movie cut, funny videos, people's vlog, shopping haul, and many more."
   c. What do you think about English abbreviation words that often used by TikTok users?
      "I think it's necessary to use it when you have a lot of things to say but blocked with the m aximum letters that tiktok provided. Using shortened word becomes our daily habit when typing on social media like tiktok."
   d. Do you like to use English abbreviation words in your TikTok? Why?
      "I do like to use it. as i said before the maximum letters that tiktok provided made me often use shortened word. When other people use the word i don't know, i gain more information and make me want to use it too. When I use it, it makes my typing looks cool and modern."
   e. Mention some English abbreviation words that often you find in TikTok!
      "ib, lil, eps, grwm, vlog, gf, bf, bl, gl, lol, lmao, ty, ily, y'know, y'all, pls, tia, kpop, kdrama, jpop, jdrama, vid, fav, mc, chara, jk, nvm, iykyk, rn, fr, ppl, hmu, otp, fic, pov, cw, tw, rip, lmk, wfh, wyd, fanfic, anitwt, twt, sub, uni, sus, imo, ngl, animanga, asmr, acc, cmiiw, delsoon, simp, bromance, cr, vo."

3. ILH (Indonesia)
   a. What are interesting things about TikTok that made you download the application?
      "In early years, tiktok has become a big media to spread joy and knowledge."
   b. What contents do you like to create or watch in TikTok?
      "Sometimes, in My "FYP", Its shown video about singing, or parody, and also about english language knowledge"
   c. What do you think about English abbreviation words that often used by TikTok users?
      "It's our way to live easier. sometimes abbreviation is confusing because I don't know what it means. But after knowing the meaning of the word, it becomes an additional vocab for me"
   d. Do you like to use English abbreviation words in your TikTok? Why?
      "Yes, I like to use it. Nowadays many people use it and it makes me want to use it. It's simple and sounds good"
   e. Mention some English abbreviation words that often you find in TikTok!
      "kpop, idk, istg, idk, idc, sus, ikr, yolo, aka, fyi, fyp, pov, irl, cr, ib, iykyk, pls, jk, y'all, twt, dw, tia, tho, ty, ss, pp, hbd, gbu, nvm, sub, fr"

4. HNL (South Korea)
   a. What are interesting things about TikTok that made you download the application?
      "A lot of public figures and idols i like open their Tiktok acc, so I downloaded it to watch them. I think Tiktok is a fun application. I can see various kinds of video from

all around the world. It entertains me so much. I also get a new information about everything like trends, political and I can learn other languages in a fun way."

b. What contents do you like to create or watch in TikTok?
"I'm not really active to create a Tiktok video but I like to watch idol videos, cooking videos, dance videos, vlog, other people's daily life, and others."

c. What do you think about English abbreviation words that often used by TikTok users?
"I think it's great to use it, but somehow for other people especially for those who are kinda old it can be confusing because not all people know the meaning. But using abbreviation sometimes make your content looks cool."

d. Do you like to use English abbreviation words in your TikTok? Why?
"I do, because there's a limited character in every social media including Tiktok, so to put all of my words, i need to use shortened words. Using it also kinda cool, it make my words looks trendy. and to minimize the time in typing, it's more effective to use it."

e. Mention some English abbreviation words that often you find in TikTok!
"lol, lmao, oomf, pls, thx, hbd, delsoon, fyp, tia, bromance, can't, bro, sis, acc, ep, ed, op, go, po, wtb, wts, wtt, chara, pic, ad, bf, gf, fav, kpop, simp, rip, fanfic, asmr, bff, BL, GL, vlog, ost, kdrama, brunch, spork, hmu, hyu."

5. DNL (Italia)

a. What are interesting things about TikTok that made you download the application?
"I thought that TikTok is kind of cringe but nowadays TikTok is a fun app. Most people in our age have it too. Even our favorite idol and other artist have it. I think that made me downloaded it"

b. What contents do you like to create or watch in TikTok?
"I often post about cooking tutorial, diet and weight loss tips, and my make up videos. My FYP is filled with simple cooking tutorial, K-Pop video, dance, pretty girls' video, and others different type of videos"

c. What do you think about English abbreviation words that often used by TikTok users?
"*I think it's so cool. It's really useful and more convenient rather than typing the whole word we want to type."*

d. Do you like to use English abbreviation words in your TikTok? Why?
"Of course, I do!! I think our typing will be more convenient if we use shortened word. you know like the time of us typing will be decreased right? And the more you shortening your words, the more words you can type in the caption. So I think it's really good to use it in TikTok and other social media as well."

e. Mention some English abbreviation words that often you find in TikTok!
"vid, lol, lmao, pls, thx, hyu, hmu, ntky, dni, tia, bl, gl, bromance, acc, bro, sis, bf, gf, edu, twt, insta, ig, Y'KNOW, y'all, fr, rn, dw, jk, cr, cc, sus, wts, wtb, iykyk, wyd, wwyd, ib, imo, oomf, asap, wo, ngl, sub, ep, op."

People have TikTok in their smartphone because it has become large and popular among a lot of young people especially from Gen Z. Even though on its first year some people used to think that TikTok was strange, many people also think that now it is getting more interesting through the years. Moreover, many famous people who have TikTok accounts are one of the reasons why participants download it so they can follow them. It contains various kinds of attractive video starting from humorous to serious video that able to entertain and educate us at the same time. We

can give other people happiness and information via TikTok that can be reached from all over the world. In other words, it can be a stress healing and learning platform to certain people.

In TikTok, we can freely make and watch a bunch videos according to what we want to as long as it doesn't violate its rules. Some participants active in making and uploading videos which contains viral things, famous people she likes, cooking tutorials, tips of diet and weight loss, meanwhile the rest of participants like to watch other people's videos. The contents that participants like to watch are mostly for entertaining purposes such as dancing, singing, funny parody videos, idol related videos, movie scene, everyday life videos of other people, and shopping haul. However, there are some participants who also like to watch educating videos such as informative video about English, and tutorial of cooking.

Participants' perspectives about the use abbreviation words in TikTok are very diverse. This can be seen from the results of the interview where most of participants mentioned that abbreviation words are beneficial and powerful to be used in TikTok and other social media as well in order to type more efficiently. Nevertheless, some participants stated that abbreviation words sometimes make common people puzzled, particularly for the elder group. However, the previous unknown words can be added in their vocabulary so that they will gain more new words. By using it, we have made a new easy and simple habit in life.

All participants explained with greatly different reasons why they like to use English abbreviation words. The common reason is because the maximum limit for the use of letters on the platform, the shorter words you type, the more words you can fit in the caption. The way abbreviation words speed up typing time, that makes time more streamline. English abbreviation words also seem modest, more impressive, not long-winded, and efficient. The influence of others also affects some participants when they notice others use the word they unfamiliar with, they will start to learn then understand about it. To follow the trend, it persuades them to use it as well.

2. English Abbreviation Words in TikTok

From the interview, we found that most of participants know many same words, and there are also words that known by few participants. All participants mentioned *TIA*. Four participants mentioned *SUS, LMAO, CR, JK, FR, HMU, SUB, BF, GF, Y'ALL, PLS*. Three participant mentioned *VID, BRO, RN, INSTA, THX, RIP, WYD, DW, FYP, IB, Y'KNOW, FAV, NGL, EPS, GL, BL, KDRAMA, IYKYK, TWT, BROMANCE*. Two participants mentioned *LOL, THO, BRO, CC, INSTA, PICT, IDK, IDC, LMK, VLOG, TY, CHARA, NVM, POV, FANFIC, IMO, DELSOON, OOMF, SIS, OP, WTB, WTS*. Last, one participant mentioned *OOTD, ADIML, WIEIAD, SMH, LIL, ILY, JPOP, JDRAMA, MC, PPL, FIC, CW, TW, WFH, ANITWT, UNI, ANIMANGA, CMIIW, VO, ISTG, IKR, FYI, IRL, SS, ED, GO, PO, WTT, AD, BFF, OST, NTKY, DNI, EDU, IG, WWYD, TB, WO.*

These are English abbreviation words that found in TikTok by we in 2024:

Table 2. English abbreviation words found in TikTok

No.	Abbreviation	Stand for
1.	ABT	About
2.	EDU	Education
3.	ACC	Account
4.	ADIML	A Day in My Life

5.	IB	Inspired by
6.	ADS	Advertisement
7.	LIL	Little
8.	ANNIV	Anniversary
9.	APP	Application
10.	I'M	I Am
11.	ASMR	Autonomous Sensory Meridian Response
12.	AYCE	All You Can Eat
13.	BC	Because
14.	BL	Boys Love
15.	BFF	Best Friend Forever
16.	BF	Boyfriend
17.	BROMANCE	Brother Romance
18.	BTS	Behind The Scene
19.	BYF	Before You Follow
20.	CAUSE	Because
21.	BTW	By The Way
22.	PLS	Please
23.	KPOP	Korean Pop
24.	CMIIW	Correct Me If I'm Wrong
25.	CR	Copy Right
26.	CC	Closed Caption
27.	DC	Dance Cover
28.	DW	Don't Worry
29.	IG	I Guess
30.	DELSOON	Delete Soon
31.	CAN'T	Cannot
32.	LMAO	Laughing My Ass Off
33.	GF	Girl Friend
34.	DM	Direct Message
35.	TY	Thank You
36.	EPS	Episode
37.	FR	For Real
38.	THO	Though
39.	FYI	For Your Information
40.	DIY	Do It Yourself
41.	GEN	Generation
42.	COD	Cash on Delivery
43.	GRWM	Get Ready with Me
44.	HMU	Hit Me Up
45.	PO	Pre Order
46.	ANIMANGA	Anime Manga

47.	HV	Have
48.	ISTG	I Swear to God
49.	HYU	Hit You Up
50.	FYP	For You Page
51.	IDC	I Don't Care
52.	TYSM	Thank You So Much
53.	IK	I Know
54.	I'LL	I Will
55.	ILY	I Love You
56.	IMO	In My Opinion
57.	IYKYK	If You Know You Know
58.	JK	Just Kidding
59.	KDRAMA	Korean Drama
60.	IRL	In Real Life
61.	Y'KNOW	You Know
62.	LDR	Long Distance Relationship
63.	ED	Ending
64.	MC	Main Character
65.	NGL	Not Going to Lie
66.	NVM	Nevermind
67.	OMG	Oh My God
68.	OOTD	Outfit of The Day
69.	POV	Point Of View
70.	OTP	One Top Pairing
71.	OOMF	One of My Friend
72.	OP	Opening
73.	PPL	People
74.	CW	Content Warning
75.	RIP	Rest in Peace
76.	RN	Right now
77.	SMH	Shake My Head
78.	SC	Source
79.	TWT	Twitter
80.	TW	Trigger Warning
81.	SIMP	Sucker Idolizing Mediocre People
82.	SUB	Subtitle
83.	SUS	Suspicious
84.	SVT	Seventeen
85.	GL	Girls' Love
86.	TB	Throw Back
87.	TBH	To Be Honest
88.	TGIF	Thank God It's Friday
89.	TMI	Too Much Information

90.	UNI	University
91.	FIC	Fiction
92.	VA	Voice Actor
93.	VO	Voice Over
94.	VID	Video
95.	LMK	Let Me Know
96.	GWS	Get Well Soon
97.	WFH	Work From Home
98.	WFO	Work From Office
99.	WP	Wattpad
100.	FANFIC	Fan Fiction
101.	WO	Without
102.	WIEIAD	What I Eat in A Day
103.	WWYD	What Would You Do
104.	WYD	What You Doing
105.	Y'ALL	You All
106.	YK	You Know
107.	YT	YouTube
108.	GO	Group Order
109.	WTB	Want To Buy
110.	I'D	I Would
111.	WTT	Want To Trade
112.	PT	Part
113.	PICT	Picture
114.	CHAP	Chapter
115.	WTS	Want To Sell
116.	PD	Producer
117.	FAV	Favorite
118.	TIA	Thank you in Advance
119.	ANITWT	Anime Twitter
120.	INSTA	Instagram

From the table above, there are 120 English abbreviation words found in TikTok collected by we through the TikTok account of we in 2021. Some of these words are formal forms, and some are nonformal forms. The words have been extensively used by TikTok users in the world, also it created intentionally and unintentionally. However, each word has its own meaning and classified according to the process of its word formation. We adopted the kinds of abbreviation presented by Anggarda Paramitha and Leni Marlina in 2017. They classified abbreviation into clipping word, acronym, initialism, blend, and contraction (Paramitha & Marlina, 2017).

From the data that writer had collected and analyzed, there are the kinds of English abbreviation word found in TikTok based on how the words formed from the meanings by we in 2021.

a. Clipping word

Clipping word is a kind of abbreviation word that removes the element of the word. The removed element can be from the front or the back part.

Table 3 How clipping words from TikTok are formed

No.	Word	Explanation
1.	EDU	From "**Education**", it shortened by keeping "**edu**" and removing "**cation**".
2.	ACC	From "**Account**", it shortened by keeping "**acc**" and removing "**ount**".
3.	AD	From **"Advertisement",** it shortened by keeping "**ad**" and removing "**vertisement**".
4.	ANNIV	From **"Anniversary",** it shortened by keeping "**annniv**" and removing "**ersary**".
5.	APP	From **"Application",** it shortened by keeping "**app**" and removing "**lication**".
6.	INSTA	From "**Instagram**", it shortened by keeping "**insta**" and removing "**gram**".
7.	EP	From "**Episode**", it shortened by keeping "**ep**" and removing "**isode**".
8.	THO	From "**Though**", it shortened by keeping "**tho**" and removing "**ugh**".
9.	GEN	From "**Generation**", it shortened by keeping "**gen**" and removing "**eneration**".
10.	OP	From "**Opening**", it shortened by keeping "**op**" and removing "**ening**".
11.	SUB	From "**Subtitle**", it shortened by keeping "**sub**" and removing "**title**".
12.	SUS	From "**Suspicious**", it shortened by keeping "**sus**" and removing "**picious**".
13.	UNI	From "**University**", it shortened by keeping "**uni**" and removing "**versity**".
14.	FIC	From "**Fiction**", it shortened by keeping "**fic**" and removing "**tion**".
15.	VID	From "**Video**", it shortened by keeping "**vid**" and removing "**eo**".
16.	PICT	From "**Picture**", it shortened by keeping "**pict**" and removing "**ure**".
17.	CHAP	From "**Chapter**", it shortened by keeping "**chap**" and removing "**ter**".
18.	FAV	From "**Favorite**", it shortened by keeping "**fav**" and removing "**orite**".

b. Acronym

Acronym is a kind of abbreviation word that formed by the first letter and must be pronounced as a word. It means that the combines of each first letter of word becomes a word that pronounceable, not delivered with letter by letter.

Table 4 How acronym words from TikTok are formed

No.	Word	Explanation
1.	AYCE	From "**All You Can Eat**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**A**ll **Y**ou **C**an **E**at" and becomes **AYCE** which will be pronounced as a word.
2.	ILY	From "**I Love You**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**I L**ove **Y**ou" and becomes **ILY** which will be pronounced as a word.
3.	IMO	From "**In My Opinion**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**I**n **M**y **O**pinion" and becomes **IMO** which will be pronounced as a word.
4.	POV	From "**Point Of View**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**P**oint **O**f **V**iew" and becomes **POV** which will be pronounced as a word.
5.	RIP	From "**Rest In Peace**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**R**est **I**n **P**eace" and becomes **RIP** which will be pronounced as a word.
6.	SIMP	From "**Sucker Idolizing Mediocre People**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**S**ucker **I**dolizing **M**ediocre **P**eople" and becomes **SIMP** which will be pronounced as a word.

c. Initialism

Initialism is a kind of abbreviation word that shortening a phrase or several words with remaining the initial or first letter of each word. Initialism may look similar with acronym, but the difference is initialism doesn't pronounce as a word, it spoken letter by letter.

Table 5 How initialism words from TikTok are formed

No.	Word	Explanation
1.	ADIML	From "**A Day in My Life**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**A D**ay **I**n **M**y **L**ife" then becomes **ADIML** and separately pronounced.
2.	IB	From "**Inspired by**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**I**nspired **b**y" then becomes **IB** and separately pronounced.
3.	ASMR	From "**Autonomous Sensory Meridian Response**", it shortened by combining the first letter

		of "**A**utonomous **S**ensory **M**eridian **R**esponse" then becomes **ASMR** and separately pronounced.
4.	BL	From "**Boys Love**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**B**oys **L**ove" then becomes **BL** and separately pronounced.
5.	BFF	From "**Best Friend Forever**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**B**est **F**riend **F**orever" then becomes **BFF** and separately pronounced.
6.	BF	From "**Boy Friend**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**B**oy **F**riend" then becomes **BF** and separately pronounced.
7.	BTS	From "**Behind The Scene**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**B**ehind **T**he **S**cene" then becomes **BTS** and separately pronounced.
8.	BYF	From "**Before You Follow**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**B**efore **Y**ou **F**ollow" then becomes **BYF** and separately pronounced.
9.	BTW	From "**By The Way**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**B**y **T**he **W**ay" then becomes **BTW** and separately pronounced.
10.	CMIIW	From "**Correct Me if I'm Wrong**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**C**orrect **M**e **I**f **I**'m **W**rong" then becomes **CMIIW** and separately pronounced.
11.	CR	From "**Copy Right**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**C**opy **R**ight" then becomes **CR** and separately pronounced.
12.	CC	From "**Closed Caption**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**C**losed **C**aption" then becomes **CC** and separately pronounced.
13.	DC	From "**Dance Cover**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**D**ance **C**over" then becomes **DC** and separately pronounced.
14.	DW	From "**Don't Worry**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**D**on't **W**orry" then becomes **DW** and separately pronounced.
15.	IG	From "**I Guess**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**I** **G**uess" then becomes **IG** and separately pronounced.
16.	LMAO	From "**Laughing My Ass Off**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**L**aughing **M**y **A**ss **O**ff" then becomes **LMAO** and separately pronounced.

17.	GF	From "**Girl Friend**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**G**irl **F**riend" then becomes **GF** and separately pronounced.
18.	DM	From "**Direct Message**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**D**irect **M**essage" then becomes **DM** and separately pronounced.
19.	TY	From "**Thank You**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**T**hank **Y**ou" then becomes **TY** and separately pronounced.
20.	FR	From "**For Real**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**F**or **R**eal" then becomes **FR** and separately pronounced.
21.	FYI	From "**For Your Information**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**F**our **Y**our **I**nformation" then becomes **FYI** and separately pronounced.
22.	DIY	From "**Do It Yourself**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**D**o **I**t **Y**ourself" then becomes **DIY** and separately pronounced.
23.	GRWM	From "**Get Ready With Me**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**G**et **R**eady **W**ith **M**e" then becomes **GRWM** and separately pronounced.
24.	HMU	From "**Hit Me Up**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**H**it **M**e **U**p" then becomes **HMU** and separately pronounced.
25.	COD	From " **Cash on Delivery**", it shortened by combining the first letter of " **C**ash **o**n **D**elivery" then becomes **COD** and separately pronounced.
26.	PO	From "**Pre Order**", it shortened by combining the first letter of " **P**re **O**rder" then becomes **PO** and separately pronounced.
27.	ISTG	From "**I Swear To God**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**I S**wear **T**o **G**od" then becomes **ISTG** and separately pronounced.
28.	HYU	From "**Hit You Up**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**H**it **Y**ou **U**p" then becomes **HYU** and separately pronounced.
29.	FYP	From "**For You Page**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**F**or **Y**ou **P**age" then becomes **FYP** and separately pronounced.
30.	IDC	From "**I Don't Care**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**I D**on't **C**are" then becomes **IDC** and separately pronounced.

31.	TYSM	From "**Thank You So Much**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**T**hank **Y**ou **S**o **M**uch" then becomes **TYSM** and separately pronounced.
32.	IK	From "**I Know**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**I K**now" then becomes **IK** and separately pronounced.
33.	IYKYK	From "**If You Know You Know**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**I**f **Y**ou **K**now **Y**ou **K**now" then becomes **IYKYK** and separately pronounced.
34.	JK	From "**Just Kidding**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**J**ust **K**idding" then becomes **JK** and separately pronounced.
35.	IRL	From "**In Real Life**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**I**n **R**eal **L**ife" then becomes **IRL** and separately pronounced.
36.	LDR	From "**Long Distance Relationship**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**L**ong **D**istance **R**elationship" then becomes **LDR** and separately pronounced.
37.	MC	From "**Main Character**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**M**ain **C**haracter" then becomes **MC** and separately pronounced.
38.	NGL	From "**Not Gonna Lie**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**N**ot **G**onna **L**ie" then becomes **NGL** and separately pronounced.
39.	OMG	From "**Oh My God**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**O**h **M**y **G**od" then becomes **OMG** and separately pronounced.
40.	OOTD	From "**Outfit Of The Day**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**O**utfit **O**f **T**he **D**ay" then becomes **OOTD** and separately pronounced.
41.	OTP	From "**One Top Pairing**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**O**ne **T**op **P**airing" then becomes **OTP** and separately pronounced.
42.	OOMF	From "**One Of My Friends**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**O**ne **O**f **M**y **F**riends" then becomes **OOMF** and separately pronounced.
43.	CW	From "**Content Warning**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**C**ontent **W**arning" then becomes **CW** and separately pronounced.
44.	RN	From "**Right Now**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**R**ight **N**ow" then becomes **RN** and separately pronounced.

45.	SMH	From "**Shake My Head**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**S**hake **M**y **H**ead" then becomes **SMH** and separately pronounced.
46.	TW	From "**Trigger Warning**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**T**rigger **W**arning" then becomes **TW** and separately pronounced.
47.	GL	From "**Girls Love**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**G**irls **L**ove" then becomes **GL** and separately pronounced.
48.	TB	From "**Throw Back**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**T**hrow **B**ack" then becomes **TB** and separately pronounced.
49.	TBH	From "**To Be Honest**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**T**o **B**e **H**onest" then becomes **TBH** and separately pronounced.
50.	TGIF	From "**Thank God It's Friday**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**T**hank **G**od **I**t's **F**riday" then becomes **TGIF** and separately pronounced.
51.	TMI	From "**Too Much Information**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**T**oo **M**uch **I**nformation" then becomes **TMI** and separately pronounced.
52.	VA	From "**Voice Actor**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**V**oice **A**ctor" then becomes **VA** and separately pronounced.
53.	VO	From "**Voice Over**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**V**oice **O**ver" then becomes **VO** and separately pronounced.
54.	LMK	From "**Let Me Know**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**L**et **M**e **K**now" then becomes **LMK** and separately pronounced.
55.	GWS	From "**Get Well Soon**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**G**et **W**ell **S**oon" then becomes **GWS** and separately pronounced.
56.	WFH	From "**Work From Home**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**W**ork **F**rom **H**ome" then becomes **WFH** and separately pronounced.
57.	WFO	From "**Work From Office**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**W**ork **F**rom **O**ffice" then becomes **WFO** and separately pronounced.
58.	WIEIAD	From "**What I Eat In A Day**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**W**hat **I** **E**at **I**n **A** **D**ay" then becomes **WIEIAD** and separately pronounced.

59.	WWYD	From "**What Would You Do**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**W**hat **W**ould **Y**ou **D**o" then becomes **WWYD** and separately pronounced.
60.	WYD	From "**What You Doing**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**W**hat **Y**ou **D**oing" then becomes **WYD** and separately pronounced.
61.	YK	From "**You Know**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**Y**ou **K**now" then becomes **YK** and separately pronounced.
62.	GO	From "**Group Order**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**G**roup **O**rder" then becomes **GO** and separately pronounced.
63.	WTB	From "**Want To Buy**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**W**ant **T**o **B**uy" then becomes **WTB** and separately pronounced.
64.	WTT	From "**Want To Trade**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**W**ant **T**o **T**rade" then becomes **WTT** and separately pronounced.
65.	WTS	From "**Want To Sale**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**W**ant **T**o **S**ell" then becomes **WTS** and separately pronounced.
66.	TIA	From "**Thank you in Advance**", it shortened by combining the first letter of "**T**hank you **i**n **A**dvance" then becomes **TIA** and separately pronounced.

d. Blend

Blend is a kind of abbreviation word that combines the element of two words or more. The combination of the element of the words becomes one and create a new blend word.

Table 6 How blend words from TikTok are formed

No.	Word	Explanation
1.	ANIMANGA	From "**Anime and Manga**", it shortened by blending each element of words " **Ani**me and **Manga** " becomes **ANIMANGA**.
2.	BROMANCE	From "**Brother Romance**", it shortened by blending each element of words "**Bro**ther Ro**mance**" becomes **BROMANCE**.
3.	KPOP	From "**Korean Pop**", it shortened by blending each element of words "**K**orean **Pop**" becomes **KPOP**.
4.	DELSOON	From "**Delete Soon**", it shortened by blending each element of words "**D**elete **S**oon" becomes **DELSOON**.

5.	KDRAMA	From "**Korean Drama",** it shortened by blending each element of words "**K**orean **Drama**" becomes **KDRAMA**.
6.	FANFIC	From "**Fan Fiction",** it shortened by blending each element of words "**Fan Fic**tion" becomes **FANFIC**.
7.	ANITWT	From "**Anime Twitter",** it shortened by blending each element of words "**Ani**me **Tw**itter" becomes **ANITWT**.

e. Contraction

Contraction is a kind of abbreviation word that removes some letters of the word. This kind of abbreviation word divides into two categories. First, the word starts and ends with the same letter as the word itself or the other letter after the first letter. Second, a shortened form of two words as one word, removing one letter or more, and using an apostrophe to replace it.

Table 7 How contraction words from TikTok are formed

No.	Word	Explanation
1.	ABT	From **"About",** it shortened by using the first letter "**A**", middle letter "**B**" and ended with "**T**" as the word itself and becomes **ABT**.
2.	LIL	From **"Little",** it shortened by using the first letters "Li", and ended with "L" and becomes **LIL**.
3.	BC	From **"Because",** it shortened by using the first letter "B", middle letter "C" and becomes **BC**.
4.	I'M	From "**I am**"**,** it shortened by using the first letter "I" and ended with "m" as the word itself also using apostrophe, then becomes **I'm.**
5.	PLS	From **"Please",** it shortened by using the first letter "P", middle letter "L" and ended with "S" as the word itself and becomes **PLS**.
6.	CAN'T	From "**Cannot**"**,** it shortened by using the first letters "Can" and ended with "T" as the word itself also using apostrophe, then becomes **Can't.**
7.	HV	From **"Have",** it shortened by using the first letter "H", middle letter "V" and becomes **HV**.
8.	I'LL	From "**I'll**"**,** it shortened by using the first letters "I" and ended with "LL" as the word itself also using apostrophe, then becomes **I'll.**
9.	Y'KNOW	From "**You Know**"**,** it shortened by using the first letters "Y" and ended with "Know" as the word itself also using apostrophe, then becomes **Y'know.**
10.	ED	From **"Ending",** It shortened by using the first letter "E", and middle letter "D" and becomes **ED**.

11.	NVM	From **"Nevermind",** it shortened by using the first letter "N", middle letter "V" and ended with "M" and becomes **NVM**.
12.	PPL	From **"People",** It shortened by using the first letter "P", middle letter "P" and ended with "L" as the word itself and becomes **PPL**.
13.	SC	From **"Source",** It shortened by using the first letter "S", middle letter "C" and becomes **SC**.
14.	TWT	From **"Twitter",** It shortened by using the first letter "TW", middle letter "T" and becomes **TWT**.
15.	SVT	From **"Seventeen",** it shortened by using the first letter "S", middle letter "V" and ended with "T" and becomes **SVT**.
16.	WP	From **"Wattpad", i**t shortened by using the first letter "W", middle letter "P" and becomes **WP**.
17.	WO	From **"Without",** It shortened by using the first letter "W", middle letter "O" and becomes **WO**.
18.	Y'ALL	From "**You All**"**,** it shortened by using the first letter "Y" and ended with "All" as the word itself also using apostrophe, then becomes **Y'all.**
19.	YT	From **"Youtube",** it shortened by using the first letter "Y", middle letter "T" and becomes **YT**.
20.	I'D	From **"I Would",** it shortened by using the first letter "I" and ended with "D" as the word itself also using apostrophe, then becomes **I'd**.
21.	PT	From **"Part",** it shortened by using the first letter "P", ended with letter "O" as the world itself and becomes **PT**.
22.	PD	From **"Producer",** It shortened by using the first letter "P", and the middle letter "P" and becomes **PD**.

Discussion

There are 5 different types of English abbreviation words that had been analyzed by we. Clipping word are created by shortening the word without removing the main element of the word. By removing some element of the word, clipping word still can be recognized and easily read by other TikTok users. Acronyms also found and there is an opportunity that the words can be differently pronounced depending what the person thinking. The dominant type of English abbreviation was initialism. The ease of creating the word, certainty in pronunciation, and its function which to maximize the number of reduced letters makes initialism become the most used type. Other than that, blend can be defined as a type of abbreviation that creates a new word from two or more words. However, contraction is the most difficult type of English abbreviation to understand because there is no rule which letter to be removed, but it gives people freedom to create more abbreviation.

We defined that there are four reasons of TikTok users applying English abbreviation words to convey their thought through TikTok contents. They are the limited space to type, the need to type faster, follow the trend, and the presentation of typing.

a. Limited space to type

The number of words we want to express is very disproportionate to the maximum number of letters allowed by TikTok. In consequence, using abbreviation becomes the way for us in order to not reduce the ideas we want to express. The maximum letters that TikTok provided made me often use shortened word.

b. The need to type faster

Users use English abbreviation words to fulfill their desire to type in fast. Typing fast is very helpful to make it easier for us to finish the words we want to type so we can do other things besides yping will be more convenient if we use shortened word. you know like the time of us typing will be decreased.

c. Follow the trend

English abbreviation words is famous among young people on internet includes TikTok. The more the word is used, the more popular it becomes and can be spread quickly throughout the world. Therefore, many TikTok users are affected by other users to know, understand, and apply those words in their own typing. Nowadays many people use it and it makes me want to use it.

d. The presentation of typing

By using English abbreviation words, the presentation of our typing will look simpler, shorter, and compact. Following the third reason, our typing will be seen as a modern kind of typing. It makes their words look simple and not too long.When the teenager use it, it makes their typing looks cool and modern.

From the interview narration that has been elaborated in data findings before, most people from Generation Z have TikTok on their smartphones and it has grown in popularity. While some individuals thought that TikTok was unusual in its early years, many people now believe that it is becoming more fascinating. It provides a wide range of appealing videos from the comical to serious one that may both entertain and educate people. In addition, a lot of people have TikTok in order to follow their favorite popular figures who have TikTok account. To certain people, TikTok is a suitable platform for stress healer and learning.

TikTok users passionately create a bunch of videos based on what contents they are interested in as long as it does not break the rules. There are many various types of TikTok video that are made by the users such as tutorials, tips, dancing, singing, eating, parody skit, public figures related videos, and more. Moreover, its users like to create personal contents such as daily life videos, shopping videos, and many more. Many types of content created by its users prove that many people from different fields, different interest, different passions, different purposes use TikTok and being mixed in one platform which can be accessed for free. This also prove that people free to create whatever video it is as long as it does not violate the rules and harmful to others.

People have different thoughts about English abbreviation words. Some people think that English abbreviation words are very useful for daily typing habit in order to type briefer on social media, especially TikTok. Knowing new English abbreviation words is interesting for certain

people because they gain more information and knowledge about what is trending at that moment. However, we cannot forget the fact that English abbreviation words may difficult to be understood by people from different community or people from different generation. People with the same interest or in the same community most likely know a lot of same words with each other, yet it is possible for them to have less knowledge about a lot of English abbreviation words used in different communities. While people have freedom to express their thought, the development of English abbreviation words will not stop and keep continue to be created and spread widely.

CONCLUSION

Based on the data in the previous chapter, the conclusions from the research about "Analyzing English Abbreviation Words used in TikTok" are described as the follows; In TikTok, there are 120 English abbreviation words found and often used by the users from all the world. It found that there are five kinds of abbreviation words namely clipping word, initialism, acronym, contraction, and blend. Based on this study, it also found that people mostly use initialism. By different process, every kind of English abbreviation word that found in TikTok is formed. The first process is by cutting the word. The second is by using the first letter of each word and make a pronounceable word. The third is by using the first letter of each word but does not pronounce as a word. The fourth is by mixing the words. The last process is by removing some letters from the word and can use apostrophe or not. There are four reasons why people use English abbreviation words in TikTok, they are limited space to type, the need to type faster, follow the trend, and the presentation of typing. We hopes that this research will be beneficial and take the contribution to the development of English language and linguistics concerning the topic of word formation, especially about English abbreviation word. We also hopes that from this research, other people and students who have the same interest can take some information about English abbreviation word. From this research we hopes it will increase our knowledge of vocabulary and linguistics in the abbreviation section. As a result, we can easily understand the content we are watching, reading, or listening if we find new English abbreviation words spread on TikTok, other social media, and on internet.

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