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Word Shortcuts

In Microsoft Word, there are shortcut built in to help make typing and formatting your document easier. Most of these shortcuts involve pressing the **Ctrl** key (or Command key on a Mac) and another key at the same time to perform a task. Some of these Shortcuts will even work outside the Word program (see **bolded** items below). Below is a list of useful Word Shortcuts!



Ctrl+A: Select all text in a document

Ctrl+Z: Undo an action

Ctrl+C: Copy selected text or image to clipboard

Ctrl+Y: Redo an action

Ctrl+X: Cut selected text or image to clipboard

Ctrl+T: Create Hanging Indent

Ctrl+V: Paste copied text

Ctrl+E: Center a paragraph

Ctrl+P: Print document

Ctrl+L: Left-align a paragraph

Ctrl+F: Search the document

Ctrl+R: Right-align a paragraph

Ctrl+Enter: Insert a page break

Ctrl+O: Open an existing document

Ctrl+B: Apply bold formatting

Ctrl+W: Close a document

Ctrl+I: Apply italic formatting

Ctrl+2: Set double-spacing

Ctrl+U: Apply underline formatting

Ctrl+N: Create a new document

Ctrl+S: Save a document

Ctrl+D: Open the Font dialog box

Other Helpful Word Shortcuts

F7: Run a spelling and grammar check

Shift+F7: Open the thesaurus. If you have a word selected, Shift+F7 looks up that word in the thesaurus.