

# Writing Abbreviations

**Mysteries at Cliff Palace**

Grammar: Abbreviations

An **abbreviation** is a shortened form of a word.

Some abbreviations have capital letters and periods.

Others use only capital letters.

**Places**

U.S.A.	United States of America
D.C.	District of Columbia
NM	New Mexico
CA	California
TX	Texas

**Rewrite the sentences below using the correct abbreviations.**

1. The address on the letter read, "San Antonio, Texas."
2. We boarded the train in Santa Fe, New Mexico.
3. We traveled all the way to San Francisco, California.
4. After weeks of traveling abroad, I was glad to be back in the United States of America.
5. The White House is in our capital, Washington, District of Columbia.