

## Technical English Words and Expressions that can and cannot be shortened in English

### Part A

*Without looking at Part B below, can you think of any other way of saying the things below in English, for example shorter and/ or more informal words and expressions?*

petroleum

remote control

the accelerator

a personal computer

a word processor (program)

kilometres per hour

kilometres

centimetres

hardware

radio cassette player

influenza

milligrams

gasoline

a laboratory

### Part B

*Match these words and expressions with the ones above*

K

cm

flu

the remote/ the zapper

Word

a ghetto blaster

gas

gear

a lab

kph

mg

the pedal/ the gas

a PC

petrol

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**Part C**

*None of these words can be shortened in English — please write them out in full*

These forks are made from Sheffield's finest stainless \_\_\_\_\_

There is a problem with enriched uran\_\_\_\_\_, which can be used to develop nuclear weapons

A dia\_\_\_\_\_ of how the future bridge will look

Alumi\_\_\_\_\_ foil

A radi\_\_\_\_\_ cass\_\_\_\_\_.

Automa\_\_\_\_\_ can lead to many factory workers losing their jobs