

## USEFUL REFERENCES

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This, also known as the OED, is CERN's reference for spelling. It is available online at CERN.

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