

Glossary of building terms

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- Builders use a lot of different terms and many of them are very specific.
- A good way to start learning them is to build a glossary of the new words you come across.
- Once you have researched what the term means, write your own understanding of it. Then check with a classmate.

Term & definition	How would you explain this in your own words?
Building regulations Building regulations or standards define how a new building or alteration is to be built so that it is structurally safe, protected from risk of fire, energy efficient and has adequate ventilation for its purpose.	
Planning permission Formal permission from a local authority for the erection or alteration of buildings or similar development.	
Risk assessment Evaluating the potential risks that may be involved in a projected activity or undertaking.	
Health and Safety Executive The body responsible for the encouragement, regulation and enforcement of workplace health, safety and welfare; and for research into occupational risks in England and Wales and Scotland.	
Building control A person with the authority to control building work that is subject to the Building Regulations.	