



# This is Telidon

## Glossary

<b>Alpha Geometric</b>	Computer instructions for building a Telidon picture which are based on elementary geometrical forms: line, point, rectangle, arc, polygon.	<b>Decoder</b>	A Telidon decoder translates electronic information about a transmitted page into a TV signal.
<b>Alpha Mosaic</b>	Computer instructions for building a picture from a mosaic of squares. Used by rival Videotex systems.	<b>Encoder</b>	A piece of hardware used to insert Telidon pages in a broadcast signal for Teletext or Cabletext systems.
<b>Baud</b>	Unit of data transmission speed. One baud is equal to about one bit per second.	<b>Fibre Optics</b>	Technology which uses modulated light signals travelling in a flexible glass fibre as a high speed, high capacity transmission medium.
<b>Bubble Memory</b>	An advanced, high speed, high capacity solid state memory.	<b>Hardware</b>	The physical units connected with a Telidon system—terminal, information provider, etc.
<b>Byte</b>	Unit of electromagnetic information or "word". The number of bytes defines a computer's memory capacity, and thus the speed at which it handles data.	<b>High Resolution Display</b>	A special screen which provides pictures of much higher quality than a normal TV set.
<b>Cabletext</b>	Basic cabletext: Telidon pages converted to video signals by the cable operator and transmitted to all cable subscribers. No terminal is required by the subscriber. Cable teletext: A full cable channel devoted to a teletext cycle of about 20,000 pages which can be selected by subscribers with a terminal.	<b>Page Creation Terminal Interface</b>	Hardware used to create Telidon pages. Electronic connection between two different pieces of hardware.
		<b>Modem</b>	Hardware used to interface a transmission medium to a Telidon terminal. A telephone modem converts digital data into analog sound that travels along a telephone line. From MODulator - DEModulator.