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auto-joining (n)~ The movement of text to fill a gap that remains after a user deletes other text.

auto-labelling (n)~ A procedure in which adding a shape to the drawing canvas automatically also adds the shape's name as a text label.

AutoLayout (n)~ A feature that automatically adjusts the layout if you insert items that don't fit the original layout. You can undo it using the Automatic Layout Options button.

autoloader (n)~ A robotic device that automatically loads storage media into a computer drive.

autologger (n)~ A data-capturing tool used in remote usability studies to automatically record application information (active windows, titles and locations) and user actions such as mouse clicks and keystrokes.

autologon (n)~ The process of automatically logging on to the computer when the computer restarts.

automated activity (n)~ An activity that is automatically completed by Service Manager.

Automated Clearing House (n)~ An electronic funds transfer system available in the United States that facilitates the transfer of funds between receiving party and originating party bank accounts.

Automated System Recovery (n)~ A feature that helps you recover a system that will not start.

Automated System Recovery Preparation Wizard (n)~ A wizard that backs up the partition used by the operating system, but it does not back up other partitions, such as program or data partitions. Those partitions must be backed up using Backup or other standard routines.

automated task (n)~ A workflow task that is completed by an automatic operation.

automated test (n)~ A set of steps that a computer may run programmatically to test the functionality of the system.

automatic (adj)~ Pertaining to something that functions without external control.

Automatic Answering (PN)~ A feature of some Windows Mobile devices that uses the hands-free system to automatically answer incoming calls (without a person touching the device) after a user-specified period of time, such as 2 seconds, 5 seconds, 10 seconds, and so on.

automatic approval (n)~ An update management configuration in which newly synchronized updates are automatically approved, and deployed to managed computers.

automatic approval rule (n)~ A type of rule that allows updates to be automatically approved based on product and update classifications.

automatic call distributor (n)~ A system that automatically routes and queues incoming phone calls and generates reports to an agent or a set of agents, e.g., in a call center such as for customer service.

Automatic configuration (PN)~ An option in the Options dialog box, on the Accounts tab. When the phone is integrated with Communicator, this option uses the automatic configuration settings for the phone.

automatic document feeder (n)~ An attachment available on some scanners that allows automatic scanning of multiple pages.

automatic failover (n)~ A failover that occurs automatically on the loss of the primary