**primary key**:- The attribute or combination of attributes  
that uniquely identifies a row or record.  
  
**Foreign Key**:- an attribute or combination of attribute in a  
table whose value match a primary key in another table.  
  
**Composite key**:- A primary key that consistsof two or more  
attributes is known as composite key  
  
**candidate key**:- is a column in a table which has the  
ability to become a primary key.  
  
**Alternate Key**:- Any of the candidate keys that is not part  
of the primary key is called an alternate key.