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Internet Lingo Dictionary

**A Parent's Guide to Codes Used in Chat Rooms, Instant Messaging, Text
Messaging, and Blogs**



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Top 20 Internet Acronyms

1. A/S/L Age/sex/location
2. B4N.....Bye for now
3. BRB Be right back
4. Ciao..... Goodbye
5. CULSee you later
6. EG..... Evil grin
7. G2G Got to go
8. J/K..... Just kidding
9. KewlCool
10. LOL Laugh out loud
11. Muah..... (Sound of a kiss)
12. NM.....Nothing Much or Never mind
13. P911 Parent alert
14. PBM.....Parent behind me
15. PIR.....Parent in room
16. POS Parent over shoulder
17. ROTFLRolling on the floor laughing
18. SWAKSealed with a kiss
19. Wat up What's up?
20. WUF Where are you from?



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The Internet has become part of our daily lives, as well as our children's lives. Kids today are becoming more savvy about the Internet, while some parents are becoming less so. The knowledge gap between children and their parents is widening. What you don't know can hurt your kids.

With all of the time that children and young adults spend e-mailing, instant messaging, texting, blogging, and chatting, a new language, or "lingo," has developed. This "lingo" consists of acronyms and abbreviated text used as shortcuts in messages and can be very hard to decipher at times. This dictionary is designed to help you interpret and translate the messages your children are sending and receiving.

In addition to this dictionary, my office has developed several additional tools to help keep teens safe while they are online. ProtecTeens™ is a video presentation that teaches parents and teens about dangers from sexual predators on the Internet. The ProtecTeens resource kit contains a Family Contract for Internet Safety, an Internet Safety Manual, and a Parental Control Information guide that provides information on computer and software settings to better protect families online. You can view the ProtecTeens video and these materials, or request copies by mail, by visiting www.ag.idaho.gov. I hope you find these tools helpful.

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A NEW LANGUAGE HAS EMERGED

New technology has introduced us to many new forms of communication. Mobile devices such as cellular phones and wireless handheld computers, along with the Internet, have triggered the creation of a new cyber language. This language, or “lingo,” is a combination of acronyms and abbreviations.

On the Internet, this lingo is used everyday in chat rooms, instant messages, blogs, e-mails, and comments posted to social network spaces, such as MySpace.com. On a cell phone, this lingo is used for text messaging.

The lingo is shorter and easier to type than the complete words or sentences. However, it is not so easy to decipher. To most, it looks like a foreign language.

Acronyms are popular in our day to day world. For example, OK, TGIF, and RSVP are all acronyms that most people have seen. On the Internet, however, there are literally hundreds of acronyms and abbreviations that children and adults are using. Emoticons, which are keyboard symbols that emulate facial expressions, are also popular.

These acronyms, abbreviations, and emoticons form a cryptic code that is often difficult to decipher, making it a challenge to read e-mails or instant messages that children are sending. Without understanding this Internet lingo, parents cannot understand the types of interactions their children experience on the Internet.

If your child received the following message, would you be able to decipher it?

“19/m/ca watz ur n/a/s/l? snd m ur p# we can pRt! g2g4n”

To most people, this looks like nonsense, but it’s not. The message is from a 19 year-old male located in California (19/m/ca), asking for the recipient’s name, age, sex, and location (watz ur n/a/s/l). His message is: “Send me your phone number (snd m ur p#). We can party! (we can pRt!) Got to go for now (g2g4n).”

To help you understand how acronyms and abbreviated text are used, we have included the following snapshots of real Internet website profiles and chat rooms.

Below is a screen shot from the comment area on a popular social networking website:

	9/10/2006 12:57 PM h3y Q~t => watz up?? <<33 ♥
	9/5/2006 11:58 PM h3y~h3y~ still wanna hang out sunday? (ill call u) hehe this time ansir the fone! if u dnt fine, DC! lmao! ne ways ttfn-cul <<33
	9/4/2006 5:55 PM hey hey~ u shood get a pix of ur self!
	9/4/2006 5:52 PM h3y babe, wazz up? that was totally awesome at ur house the other night lmao! god i had soOo much fun! hehehe we n33d 2 do that again some time soon huh!! lol (sigh) ne wayhz ill ttyl kk cyea<<33
	8/22/2006 9:24 PM im grounded, not supose to be on comp...oh well! i wont be able to meet you latr 2nite, mayb tmorow. p911 g2g!

The following is an example of a chat room conversation taken directly from a live chat room:

popabillion joined the room.
wonderboy6890 joined the room.
trouble: WAT GOOD ROOM???
trouble: ANY FEMALES WANNA CHAT WITH 19/M/IL GET @ ME
trouble: PRESS 773
wonderboy6890 left the room.
texas_longhorns_gurl2009: 773
bookie_queen: JUST A LIL BIT
titan85_420: gyea
joeblazn left the room.
young_hustla1 joined the room.
louisvilleswhiteboy joined the room.
riican2003: 15-f-nj

louisvilleswhiteboy: whos freestylin in hurr

young_hustla1 left the room.
givemesome16 left the room.
louisvilleswhiteboy left the room.
huna186 joined the room.
flexyskint: any female wanna chart wit flexy
flexyskint: here im still single
emretoksen07 joined the room.
bookie_queen: JUST LIL BIT

~*4EvaNAlwayzGrownNSexii*~: *how old r u dj??*

micky: **hey any ladies want to chat with a 14
m ny press1356 and i have a cam**

Alyssa: you think my milkshake brings the boys?

shawty_simplistic: 18

~*4EvaNAlwayzGrownNSexii*~: *o damn*

shawty_simplistic: yea

shawty_simplistic: u

atlz_finet_94: **hey everybody**

shawty_simplistic: well i just turned 18 in feb

babyangel55517: **hey people**

~*4EvaNAlwayzGrownNSexii*~: *20 in aug.*

KEY TO COMMON INTERNET ACRONYMS

86.....	Over
404.....	I don't know
411.....	Information
?4U.....	Question for you
@TEOTD.....	At the end of the day
14AA41.....	One for all and all for one
2NITE.....	Tonight
4ever.....	Forever
A/S/L.....	Age/sex/location
A3.....	Anytime, anywhere, anyplace
AAF.....	As a friend
AAK.....	Asleep at keyboard
AAP.....	Always a pleasure
AAR.....	At any rate
AAS.....	Alive and smiling
AATK.....	Always at the keyboard
AAYF.....	As always, your friend
ABT2.....	About to
ADBB.....	All done bye-bye
ADD.....	Address
ADIH.....	Another day in (profanity)
ADIP.....	Another day in paradise
ADN.....	Any day now
ADR.....	Address
AEAP.....	As early as possible
AFAIK.....	As far as I know
AFC.....	Away from computer
AFDN.....	Any (profanity) day now
AFK.....	Away from keyboard
AISB.....	As it should be
AKA.....	Also known as
ALOL.....	Actually laughing out loud
AML.....	All my love
AOTA.....	All of the above
ASAFP.....	As soon as (profanity) possible
ASAP.....	As soon as possible
A/S/L.....	Age/sex/location
ATM.....	At the moment

AYESC.....At your earliest convenience
 AYK..... As you know
 AYOR At your own risk
 AYSOS Are you stupid or something?
 B..... Be
 B/C Because
 B/F..... Boyfriend
 B4.....Before
 B4NBye for now
 B4UBefore you
 B4YKI.....Before you know it
 BAG Bursting a gut
 BAK Back at my keyboard
 BAU Business as usual
 BB4N Bye-bye for now
 BBBG..... Bye-bye be good
 BBFN Bye-bye for now
 BBIAB Be back in a bit
 BBIAF..... Be back in a few
 BBIAMBe back in a minute
 BBIAS..... Be back in a sec
 BBIAW Be back in a while
 BBL..... Be back later
 BBN Bye-bye now
 BBS..... Be back soon
 BBSD Be back soon darling
 BBSL..... Be back sooner or later
 BBT..... Be back tomorrow
 BC Because
 BCNU Be seeing you
 BCOZ..... Because
 BD Big deal
 BF..... Best friend
 BFD..... Big (profanity) deal
 BFF Best friends forever
 BFG..... Big (profanity) grin
 BFN.....Bye for now
 BG Big grin
 BGWM..... Be gentle with me
 BIF Before I forget

Bii Bii.....	Bye-bye
BLNT	Better luck next time
BM	Bite me
BM&Y	Between me and you
BMOTA	Bite me on the (profanity)
BOL.....	Best of luck
BR	Bathroom
BRB.....	Be right back
BRT.....	Be right there
BS.....	Big smile
BT	Bite this
BTA.....	But then again
BTDT	Been there, done that
BTDTGTS.....	Been there, done that, got the t-shirt
BTW.....	By the way
BWO	Black, white or other
CB	Chat brat
Ciao.....	Goodbye
CMIW	Correct me if I'm wrong
CMON.....	Come on
COB	Close of business
COS.....	Because
C-P	Sleepy
CR8	Create
CRB.....	Come right back
CRBT	Crying really big tears
CSL.....	Can't stop laughing
C-T	City
CU.....	See you
CUA	See you around
CUL.....	See you later
CUL8ER	See you later
CUL8R.....	See you later
CUNS.....	See you in school
Cuz.....	Because
CWYL.....	Chat with you later
CY.....	Calm yourself
CYA	See ya
CYA	Cover your (profanity)
CYL.....	See you later

CYO See you online
 CYT See you tomorrow
 D/L Download
 DEGT Don't even go there
 DGT Don't go there
 DIKU Do I know you?
 DKDC Don't know, don't care
 DL Download
 DQMOT Don't quote me on this
 DTS Don't think so
 DUST Did you see that?
 DV8 Deviate
 EAK Eating at keyboard
 EBKAC Error between keyboard and chair
 EG Evil grin
 EL Evil laugh
 EM Excuse me?
 EMA E-mail address
 EMFBI Excuse me for butting in
 EOD End of day
 EOM End of message
 EWI E-mailing while intoxicated
 EZ Easy
 EZY Easy
 F2F Face to face
 F2T Free to talk
 FAB Features/attributes/benefits
 FAQL Frequently asked questions list
 FBM Fine by me
 FC Fingers crossed
 Ferr For
 FF Friends forever
 FICCL Frankly I couldn't care less
 FISH First in, still here
 FITB Fill in the blanks
 FO (Profanity) off
 FOAF Friend of a friend
 FOC Free of charge
 FOFL Falling on floor laughing
 FOMCL Falling off my chair laughing

FRT For real though
 FTTB For the time being
 FUBAR (Profanity) up beyond all recognition
 FUBB (Profanity) up beyond belief
 FUM (Profanity) up mess
 FWIW For what it's worth
 FYA For your amusement
 FYEO For your eyes only
 FYI For your information
 G Grin
 G Guess
 G/F Girlfriend
 G2CU Good to see you
 G2G Got to go
 G2G4N Got to go for now
 G2R Got to run
 GA Go ahead
 GAL Get a life
 GB Goodbye
 GBH Great big hug
 GBU God bless you
 GDR Grinning, ducking, and running
 GFI Go for it
 GG Gotta Go or Good Game
 GGFN Gotta go for now
 GGN Gotta go now
 GIAR Give it a rest
 GIGO Garbage in, garbage out
 GL Good luck
 GL/HF Good luck, have fun
 GLNG Good luck next game
 GMTA Great minds think alike
 GOI Get over it
 GOL Giggling out loud
 GR8 Great
 GRRRR Growling
 GT Good try
 GTG Got to go
 GTGB Got to go, bye
 GTGP Got to go (urinate)

GTH Go to (profanity)
 GTRM Going to read mail
 GTSY Glad to see you
 GYPO Get your pants off
 H&K Hugs & kisses
 H2CUS Hope to see you soon
 H8 Hate
 HAGN Have a good night
 HAGO Have a good one
 HAK Hugs and kisses
 HAND Have a nice day
 HB Hurry back
 HD Hold
 HF Have fun
 HF Hello, friend
 HHIS Hanging head in shame
 HHO1/2K Ha-ha, only half kidding
 HHOJ Ha-ha, only joking
 HHOK Ha-ha, only kidding
 HOAS Hold on a second
 HRU How are you?
 HTH Hope this helps
 HUGZ Hugs
 HUYA Head up your (profanity)
 HV Have
 I 1-D-R I wonder
 IAC In any case
 IANAL I am not a lawyer
 IAT I am tired
 IB I'm back
 IBRB I will be right back
 IC I see
 ICBW It could be worse
 ID10T Idiot
 IDK I don't know
 IDKY I don't know you
 IDST I didn't say that
 IDTS I don't think so
 IDUNNO I don't know
 IFU I (profanity) up

IG2R	I got to run
IGGP	I gotta go (urinate)
IIRC.....	If I remember correctly
IK	I know
ILBL8.....	I'll be late
ILU	I love you
ILY	I love you
IM.....	Instant messaging
IMHO.....	In my humble opinion
IMNSHO.....	In my not so humble opinion
IMO.....	In my opinion
IMS	I am sorry
INAL.....	I'm not a lawyer
IOH	I'm outta here
IOW.....	In other words
IRL	In real life
IRMC	I rest my case
IUSS.....	If you say so
IWSN	I want sex now
IYKWIM.....	If you know what I mean
IYO	In your opinion
IYSS.....	If you say so
J/C	Just chilling (hanging out)
J/J	Just joking
J/K.....	Just kidding
J/P.....	Just playing
J/T	Just teasing
J/W	Just wondering
j00r	Your
JAFU.....	Just another (profanity) up
JAS.....	Just a second
JAM.....	Just a minute
JIC.....	Just in case
JJA	Just joking around
JK	Just kidding
JMO.....	Just my opinion
JP.....	Just playing
K.....	Okay
K/B.....	Keyboard
KBD	Keyboard

KEWL.....Cool
 KFY.....Kiss for you
 KIR.....Keep it real
 KISS.....Keep it simple stupid
 KIT.....Keep in touch
 KMA.....Kiss my (profanity)
 KNIM.....Know what I mean?
 KOTC.....Kiss on the cheek
 KOTL.....Kiss on the lips
 KPC.....Keeping parents clueless
 KYPO.....Keep your pants on
 L8R.....Later
 LD.....Later, dude or long distance
 LERK.....Leaving easy reach of keyboard
 LIFO.....Last in first out
 LMAO.....Laughing my (profanity) off
 LMFAO.....Laughing my (profanity) (profanity) off
 LMIRL.....Let's meet in real life
 LMK.....Let me know
 LOL.....Laughing out loud
 LOLA.....Laugh out loud again
 LOOL.....Laughing outrageously out loud
 LSV.....Language, sex, violence
 LTM.....Laugh to myself
 LTNS.....Long time no see
 Lyk.....Like
 LYL.....Love you lots
 LYLAB.....Love you like a brother
 LYLAS.....Love you like a sis
 LYLAS.....Love you like a sister
 M8.....Mate
 MFI.....Mad for it
 MILF.....Mother I'd like to (profanity)
 MOOS.....Member of the opposite sex
 MorF.....Male or female?
 MOS.....Mother over shoulder
 MOSS.....Member of same sex
 MOTAS.....Member of the appropriate sex
 MOTSS.....Member of the same sex
 MSG.....Message

MTF More to follow
 MTFBWU May the force be with you
 Muah (Sound of a kiss)
 MUSM Miss you so much
 Mwah (Sound of a kiss)
 MYOB..... Mind your own business
 NooB..... Newbie
 N1..... Nice one
 N2M Not to mention
 N-A-Y-L In a while
 NAZ Name, address, zip
 NBD No big deal
 NE Any
 NE Anyway
 NE1 Anyone
 NE1 ER Anyone here?
 NEMore..... Anymore
 NFI No (profanity) idea
 NFM None for me
 NFW..... No (profanity) way
 NG..... New game
 NIFOC..... Nude in front of computer
 NIMBY Not in my back yard
 NLT..... No later than
 NM Nothing much / Never mind
 NMH Not much here
 NMP..... Not my problem
 NO1..... No one
 NOYB None of your business
 NP No problem
 NRN No reply necessary
 NTK Nice to know
 NUFF Enough said
 NVM..... Never mind
 NW No way
 NWO..... No way out
 OBTW..... Oh, by the way
 OIC..... Oh, I see
 OK..... All correct
 OLL..... Online love

OMDB..... Over my dead body
 OMG Oh my God
 OMG Oh my gosh
 OMW On my way
 OO..... Over and out
 OOC Out of control
 OOH..... Out of here
 OOTD One of these days
 OP On phone
 OTB..... Off to bed
 OTL..... Out to lunch
 OTOH On the other hand
 OTP On the phone
 OTT..... Over the top
 OTTOMH Off the top of my head
 OTW Off to work
 OUSU..... Oh, you shut up
 OVA..... Over
 P911 Parent alert
 PAL..... Parents are listening
 PAW..... Parents are watching
 PBM Parent behind me
 PCM Please call me
 PDQ..... Pretty darn quick
 PIMP (Urinating) in my pants
 PIR Parent in room
 PITA..... Pain in the (profanity)
 PLMK Please let me know
 PLS..... Please
 PLZ Please
 PM..... Private Message
 PM..... Personal message
 PMFI Pardon me for interrupting
 PMFJI..... Pardon me for jumping in
 PO (Profanity) off
 POAHF Put on a happy face
 POOF Good-bye
 POS Parent over shoulder
 PPL..... People
 PROLLY Probably

PRT Party
 PRW People/parents are watching
 PTL Praise the Lord
 PTMM..... Please tell me more
 PU That stinks
 PXT Please explain that
 P-ZA..... Pizza
 Q..... Queue
 QIK Quick
 QT Cutie
 RBAY Right back at you
 RBTLRead between the lines
 RL Real life
 RLF Real life friend
 RME..... Rolling my eyes
 RN Right now
 ROFL Rolling on floor laughing
 ROTFL..... Rolling on the floor laughing
 ROTFLMAO..... Rolling on the floor laughing my (profanity) off
 ROTFLOL.....Rolling on the floor laughing out loud
 ROTFLUTS Rolling on the floor laughing unable to speak
 ROTGL Rolling on the ground laughing
 ROTGLMAO..... Rolling on the ground laughing my (profanity) off
 RSN..... Real soon now
 RTFM..... Read the (profanity) manual
 RTK.....Return to keyboard
 RTM.....Read the manual
 RU Are you?
 RUMORF..... Are you male or female?
 RUOK Are you okay?
 RUUP4IT Are you up for it?
 RYO Roll your own
 SAL..... Such a laugh
 SC..... Stay cool
 SCNR Sorry, could not resist
 SETE..... Smiling ear-to-ear
 SF Surfer friendly
 SFETE.....Smiling from ear-to-ear
 SFX Sound effects
 SH (Profanity) happens

SICNR..... Sorry, I could not resist
 SIG2R Sorry, I got to run
 SIS..... Snickering in silence
 SIT..... Stay in touch
 SLAP..... Sounds like a plan
 SMAIM..... Send me an instant message
 SMEM..... Send me e-mail
 SMHID..... Scratching my head in disbelief
 SMIM..... Send me instant message
 SNAFU Situation normal, all (profanity) up
 SO Significant other
 SOL..... Sooner or later
 SOL..... (Profanity) out of luck
 SOMY..... Sick of me yet?
 SorG..... Straight or gay
 SOTMG..... Short of time, must go
 SPK..... Speak
 SPST Same place, same time
 SRO..... Standing room only
 SRY..... Sorry
 SS So sorry
 SSDD Same (profanity), different day
 SSINF..... So stupid it's not funny
 STFU..... Shut the (profanity) up
 STM Spank the monkey
 STR8 Straight
 STW Search the Web
 SUITM..... See you in the morning
 SUL..... See you later
 SUP..... What's up?
 SWAK..... Sealed with a kiss
 SWALK..... Sealed with a loving kiss
 SYL..... See you later
 SYS..... See you soon
 T+..... Think positive
 TA Thanks a lot
 TAFN..... That's all for now
 TAH Take a hike
 TAM..... Tomorrow a.m.
 TAS..... Taking a shower

TBC.....To be continued
TBD..... To be determined
TBH..... To be honest
TC Take care
TCB..... The trouble came back
TDTM Talk dirty to me
TFN..... Thanks for nothing
TFX..... Traffic
TGIF..... Thank God it's Friday
THNQ Thank you
THNX Thanks
THX Thanks
TIA..... Thanks in advance
TIAD..... Tomorrow is another day
TIC Tongue in cheek
TK To come
TLK2UL8R..... Talk to you later
TM..... Trust me
TMB Text me back
TMI Too much information
TMOT Trust me on this
TMWFI..... Take my word for it
TNC..... Tongue in cheek
TNSTAAFL..... There's no such thing as a free lunch
TNT 'Till next time
TNX Thanks
TOM..... Tomorrow
TOY Thinking of you
TPM Tomorrow p.m.
TPTB..... The powers that be
TS..... Tough (profanity)
TSTB..... The sooner, the better
TTFN..... Ta-ta for now
TTG..... Time to go
TTTT..... These things take time
TTUL Talk to you later
TTYL Talk to you later
TTYS..... Talk to you soon
TU Thank you
TXS Thanks

TY Thank you
 TYT Take your time
 TYVM..... Thank you very much
 U..... You
 U2..... You too?
 UGTBK..... You've got to be kidding
 UKTR..... You know that's right
 UL Upload
 UL You will
 UR..... Your/You're
 UV..... Unpleasant visual
 UW You're welcome
 VBG Very big grin
 VBS..... Very big smile
 VEG Very evil grin
 VM Voice mail
 VSF..... Very sad face
 W/B..... Write back
 W/E Whatever
 W/O..... Without
 WAD..... Without a doubt
 WAFM What a (profanity) mess
 WAG..... Wild (profanity) guess
 WAI..... What an idiot
 WAM Wait a minute
 WAN2TLK Want to talk
 WAT What
 Wat up..... What's up?
 WAYF..... Where are you from?
 WB Welcome back or write back
 WBS..... Write back soon
 WBU What about you?
 WC Who cares?
 WCA Who cares anyway?
 WDYS..... What did you say?
 WDYT..... What do you think?
 WE Whatever
 WEG Wicked evil grin
 WFM..... Works for me
 WG..... Wicked grin

WGAFF.....Who gives a flying (profanity)
 WIIFM What's in it for me?
 WK..... Week
 WKD..... Weekend
 WOMBATWaste of money, brains, and time
 WRK Work
 WRUD What are you doing?
 WRUF..... Where are you from?
 WTF What the (profanity)?
 WTG Way to go
 WTGPWant to go private
 WTH What the heck
 WU..... What's up?
 WUCIWUG What you see is what you get
 WUF..... Where are you from?
 WWY Where were you?
 WWYC Write when you can
 WYCM..... Will you call me?
 WYLEI..... When you least expect it
 WYP.....What's your problem?
 WYRN What's your real name?
 WYS.....Whatever you say
 WYSIWYG..... What you see is what you get
 WYSLPGWhat you see looks pretty good
 WYT Whatever you think
 WYWH..... Wish you were here
 X..... Kiss
 XI 10 Exciting
 XLNT Excellent
 XME..... Excuse me
 XOXO.....Hugs and kisses
 YA..... Your
 YA YAYA Yet another ya-ya (as in yo-yo)
 YBS You'll be sorry
 YDKM You don't know me
 YGBK You gotta be kidding
 YGBKM..... You've got to be kidding me
 YHM You have mail
 YKW You know what?
 YKWYCD..... You know what you can do

YMMV.....Your mileage may vary
YNK..... You never know
YR..... Your or Yeah, right
YTTT You telling the truth?
YW..... You're welcome
YYSSW..... Yeah, yeah, sure, sure, whatever
ZZZ..... Sleeping, bored, tired

INTERNET EMOTICONS

An emoticon is a sequence of keyboard symbols, letters, and numbers that emulate a facial expression. These emoticons are used together with text acronyms in instant messages, e-mails, cell phone texting, blogs, and chats. They are intended to be read sideways. For example, you can recognize the smiley face emoticon :-) with your head tilted to the left.

Here is a list of emoticons:

!-(.....	Black eye
!-).....	Proud of black eye
#-).....	Wiped out or partied all night
#:-o.....	Shocked
\$-).....	Money on the brain
%(!:-).....	Propeller-head
%*}.....	Inebriated
%+{.....	Got beat up
%-(.....	Confused
%-).....	Dazed or silly
-6%.....	Brain-dead
%-\.....	Hung over
%-{.....	Ironic
%-	Worked all night
%-}.....	Humorous or ironic
%\.....	Hangover
>>:-<<.....	Furious
>-.....	Female
>->.....	Winking devil
>-<.....	Furious
>-).....	Devilish wink
>:)......	Little devil
>:->.....	Very mischievous devil
>:-<.....	Angry
>:-<.....	Mad
>:-(.....	Annoyed
>:-).....	Mischievous devil
>=^ P.....	Yuck
<>.....	Devilish expression
<:->.....	Devilish expression
<:-(.....	Dunce
<:-).....	Innocently asking dumb question
<:-	Dunce
<:	Dunce
<3.....	Heart or Love
(8().....	Homer
(<> .. <>).....	Alienated
(()):**.....	Hugs and kisses

((O)) or {{{}} or [] Lots of hugging (initials are often put in the middle)
 () Hugging
 (-: Left-handed smile or smiley from the southern hemisphere
 (:& Angry
 (:- Unsmiley
 (:-& Angry
 (:-(..... Unsmiley
 (:-) Smiley variation
 (:-* Kiss
 (:-\ Very sad
 (:(:):) Band-Aid, meaning comfort
 (:| Egghead
 * Kiss
 *<:-) Santa Claus
 *<|:-) Santa Claus or a clown
 *-) Shot to death
 +<:-) Religious leader
 +<:-| Monk or nun
 +<||-) Knight
 +:-) Priest
 +O:-) The Pope
 -) Tongue in cheek
 -=#:-) Wizard
 ^^ \ Laughter
 0:-) Angel
 12x@>--->--- A dozen roses
 2B|^2B To be or not to be
 5:-) Elvis
 7:) Ronald Reagan
 7:^) Ronald Reagan
 8 Infinity
 8 :-) Wizard
 8-# Death
 8-) Wide-eyed or wearing glasses
 8-o Shocked
 8-O Astonished
 8-P Yuck!
 8-[..... Frayed nerves or overwrought
 8-] Wow!
 8-| Wide-eyed surprise
 :(..... Sad
 :) Smile
 :[..... Bored or sad
 :| Bored or sad
 :(..... Loudmouth, talks all the time, or shouting
 :<}) Someone with a mustache smiling

:*	Kiss
:*)	Clowning
:**:	Returning kiss
:+(Got punched in the nose
:(Crying
:-	Male
:-#	My lips are sealed or someone wearing braces
:-&	Tongue-tied
:->	Smile of happiness or sarcasm
:-><	Puckered up to kiss
:-<	Very sad
:-(Frown
:-)	Classic smiley
:-*	Kiss
:-,	Smirk
:-/	Wry face
:-6	Exhausted
:-9	Licking lips
:-?	Licking lips or tongue in cheek
:-@	Screaming
:-C	Astonished
:-c	Very unhappy
:-D	Laughing
:-d~	Heavy smoker
:-e	Disappointed
:-f	Sticking out tongue
:-I	Pondering or impartial
:-i	Wry smile or half-smile
:-J	Tongue in cheek
:-j	One-sided smile
:-k	Puzzlement
:-l	One-sided smile
:-M	Speak no evil
:-O	Open-mouthed, surprised
:-o	Surprised look or yawn
:-P	Sticking out tongue
:-p	Sticking tongue out
:-p~	Heavy smoker
:-Q	Tongue hanging out in disgust or a smoker
:-Q~	Smoking
:-r	Sticking tongue out
:-s	What?!
:-t	Unsmiley
:-V	Shouting
:-x	A kiss or my lips are sealed
:-Y	Aside comment

:-[..... Unsmiling blockhead or criticism
 :-\`|..... Sniffles
 :-]..... Smiling blockhead or sarcasm
 :-{)..... Smile with moustache
 :-{)}..... Smile with moustache and beard
 :-{ }..... Blowing a kiss
 :-|..... Indifferent, bored, or disgusted
 :-| :-|..... Deja vu
 :-||..... Very angry
 :-}..... Mischievous smile
 :-~)..... A cold
 :-~|..... A cold
 :(..... Crying
 :/)..... Not funny
 :/i..... No smoking
 :>..... What?
 :@..... What?
 :C..... Astonished
 :e..... Disappointed
 :P..... Sticking out tongue
 :X..... Hear no evil
 :x..... Kiss
 :\'..... Crying
 :\'(..... Crying
 :\'-(..... Crying
 :\'-)..... Tears of happiness
 :^D..... Happy, approving
 :^(..... Shedding a tear
 :{..... Having a hard time
 :~)..... A cold
 :~-(..... Crying
 :~/..... Confused
 ;)..... Wink
 ;P..... Wink with a raspberry
 :(..... Crying
 ;-(..... Angry or got a black eye
 ;-)..... Winking
 ;-D..... Winking and laughing
 = O..... Surprised
 = X..... My lips are sealed
 =):-)=..... Abraham Lincoln
 =:-)..... Punk/Mohawk
 =====:}..... Snake
 =^*..... Kisses
 =^D..... Big grin
 ?(..... Black eye

?-(Black eye
@>--->---	A long-stemmed rose
@==	Atomic bomb
@}->---	Rose
B:-)	Sunglasses on head
d :-o	Hats off to you!
M-)	See no evil
M-), :X, :-M	See no evil, hear no evil, speak no evil
M:-)	A salute
O+	Female
O->	Male
O8-)	Starry-eyed angel
O:-)	Angel
P*	French kiss
Q:-)	College graduate
X-(Just died
[:)	Wearing a Walkman
[:]	Square head
[: or [Frankenstein
[:] or [:]	Robot
[]	Hug
\') or \'-)	Winky
\	Empty glass
\~/	Full glass
]:->	Devil
]:-)	Happy devil
][Back to back
^^^	Giggles
^5	High five
`:-)	Raised eyebrow
{}	Hug
-<>	Puckered up for a kiss
-(Sleepy, struggling to stay awake, or sleeping badly
-D	Big laugh
-O	Yawn
-{	Good grief
-	Asleep
I	Asleep
^o	Snoring
}-)	Wry smile
}: [Angry, frustrated
}{	Face to face
~ :-)	Steaming mad
~:-\	Elvis
~:o	Baby
~==	Begins a flame (discussion)

~~:-(..... Net flame (Usenet/Internet discussion group)
-= Snuffed candle to end a flame message
~~~~8} ..... Snake

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