

# Chat/Text Abbreviations

Examples of select acronyms used in short-message services



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<3	heart	CHUA	Customer's head up a**
404	I haven't a clue	CJWB	Customer just wanted to bitch
A3	Anyplace, anywhere, anytime	CMIU	Customer misunderstood intended use
ADN	Any day now	CNDL	Customer not deserving of life
AFAIK	As far as I know	COCR	Customer obviously can't read
AFK	Away from keyboard	CRB	Come right back
AML	All my love	CRBT	Crying real big tears
ARE	Acronym-rich environment	CRS	Can't read s***
ASAP	As soon as possible	CSB	Cool story bro
A/S/L?	Age/sex/location?	CU	See you
ATW	All the way	CUL	See you later
B4N	Bye for now	CUL8ER	See you later
BAF	Bring a friend	CU2MR	See you tomorrow
BAK	Back at the keyboard	CYA	See ya
BAS	Big a** smile	CYA	Cover you're a**
BBB	Boring beyond belief	CYO	See you online
BBIAB	Be back in a bit	DBA	Doing business as
BBL	Be back later	DFLA	Disenchanted four-letter acronym (that is, a TLA)
BBN	Bye bye now	DL	Dead link
BBS	Be back soon	DLTBBB	Don't let the bed bugs bite
BD	Big deal	DIKU	Do I know you?
BEG	Big evil grin	DITYID	Did I tell you I'm distressed?
BF	Boy friend	DM	Direct message
BFD	Big f*****g deal	DOM	Dirty old man
BFF	Best friend forever	DOS	Dozing off soon
BFN	Bye for now	DQMOT	Don't quote me on this
BG	Big grin	DTRT	Do the right thing
BIBO	Beer in, beer out	DWB	Don't write back
BIOYIOP	Blow it out your I/O port	DYK	Did/do you know
BL	Belly laughing	E2E	exchange to exchange
BMGWL	Busting my gut with laughter	E2E	e-business to e-business
BOTEC	Back-of-the-envelope calculation	E2E	Employee to employee
BRB	Be right back	E2E	End to end
BTA	But then again...	EEGF	Exposed to excessive G force (dropped, etc.)
BTDT	Been there, done that	EEMD	Environment exceeded manufacturer's design
BTW	By the way	EG	Evil grin
BW	Best wishes	EIOE	Ethanol-induced operator error
BWL	Bursting with laughter	EMFBI	Excuse me for butting in
BWTHDIK	But what the heck do I know...?	EMSG	E-mail message
CICO	Coffee in, coffee out	EOM	End of message
C&G	Chuckle and grin		
CNP	Continued in next post		
CFUU	Customer f*****d up unit		

<b>EOT</b>	End of thread	<b>HT</b>	Hat Tip or Heard Through
<b>ESAD</b>	Eat s*** and die	<b>HTH</b>	Hope this helps
<b>ESTO</b>	Equipment smarter than operator	<b>HRU</b>	How are you?
<b>ETLA</b>	Extended three-letter acronym (that is, an FLA)	<b>HUB</b>	Head up butt
<b>EWG</b>	Evil wicked grin	<b>IAC</b>	In any case
<b>F2F</b>	Face to face	<b>IAE</b>	In any event
<b>FAQ</b>	Frequently-asked question(s)	<b>IANAL</b>	I am not a lawyer (but)
<b>FC</b>	Fingers crossed	<b>IAW</b>	I agree with or In accordance with
<b>FCOL</b>	For crying out loud	<b>IC</b>	I see
<b>FF</b>	Follow Friday	<b>IDK</b>	I don't know
<b>FISH</b>	First in, still here	<b>IGP</b>	I gotta pee
<b>FLA</b>	Four-letter acronym	<b>IHA</b>	I hate acronyms
<b>FML</b>	F*** my life	<b>IHU</b>	I hear you
<b>FMTYEWTK</b>	Far more than you ever wanted to know	<b>IIRC</b>	If I recall/remember/recollect correctly
<b>FOMCL</b>	Falling off my chair laughing	<b>ILU or ILY</b>	I love you
<b>FTBOMH</b>	From the bottom of my heart	<b>IKR</b>	I know, right?
<b>FTR</b>	For the record	<b>IMCO</b>	In my considered opinion
<b>FTW</b>	F*** the world	<b>IMD</b>	In my dreams
<b>FUBAR</b>	F****d up beyond all repair (or recognition)	<b>IMHO</b>	In my humble opinion
<b>FUD</b>	Fear, uncertainty, and doubt	<b>IMing</b>	Instant messaging
<b>FWIW</b>	For what it's worth	<b>IMNSHO</b>	In my not so humble opinion
<b>FYI</b>	For your information	<b>IMO</b>	In my opinion
<b>G</b>	Grin	<b>IMS</b>	I am sorry
<b>G2G</b>	Got to go	<b>IOW</b>	In other words
<b>GA</b>	Go ahead	<b>IPN</b>	I'm posting naked
<b>GAL</b>	Get a life	<b>IRL</b>	In real life (that is, when not chatting)
<b>GIGO</b>	Garbage in, garbage out	<b>ITA</b>	I totally agree
<b>GD&amp;R</b>	Grinning, ducking, and running	<b>ITIGBS</b>	I think I'm going to be sick
<b>GF</b>	Girlfriend	<b>IWALU</b>	I will always love you
<b>GFN</b>	Gone for now	<b>IYSWIM</b>	If you see what I mean
<b>GGP</b>	Gotta go pee	<b>J4G</b>	Just for grins
<b>GIWIST</b>	Gee, I wish I'd said that	<b>JBOD</b>	Just a bunch of disks (like redundant array of independent disks, etc.)
<b>GL</b>	Good luck	<b>JIC</b>	Just in case
<b>GMAB</b>	Give me a break	<b>JK or j/k</b>	Just kidding
<b>GMTA</b>	Great minds think alike	<b>JMO</b>	Just my opinion
<b>GNO</b>	Girls night out	<b>JS</b>	Just saying
<b>GOL</b>	Giggling out loud	<b>JTLYK</b>	Just to let you know
<b>GR8</b>	Great	<b>K</b>	ok
<b>GTG</b>	Good to go	<b>KISS</b>	Keep it simple stupid
<b>GTFO</b>	Get the f*** out of here	<b>KIT</b>	Keep in touch
<b>GTRM</b>	Going to read mail	<b>KOTC</b>	Kiss on the cheek
<b>GTSY</b>	Glad to see you	<b>KOTL</b>	Kiss on the lips
<b>H&amp;K</b>	Hug and kiss	<b>KWIM?</b>	Know what I mean?
<b>HAGN</b>	Have a good night	<b>L8R</b>	Later
<b>HAND</b>	Have a nice day	<b>L8R G8R</b>	Later gator
<b>HBU</b>	How about you?	<b>LD</b>	Later, dude
<b>HEMD</b>	Humidity exceeded manufacture's design	<b>LDR</b>	Long-distance relationship
<b>HHIS</b>	Hanging head in shame	<b>LHO</b>	Laughing head off
<b>HIG</b>	How's it going	<b>LLTA</b>	Lots and lots of thunderous applause
<b>HMP</b>	Help me please	<b>LMFAO</b>	Laughing my f*****g a** off
		<b>LMAO</b>	Laughing my a** off

<b>LMK</b>	Let me know	<b>PRT</b>	Please retweet
<b>LMSO</b>	Laughing my socks off	<b>PU</b>	That stinks!
<b>LOL</b>	Laughing out loud	<b>QT</b>	Cutie
<b>LRF</b>	Little rubber feet (the little pads on the bottom of displays and other equipment)	<b>RL</b>	Real life (that is, when not chatting)
<b>LSHMBH</b>	Laughing so hard my belly hurts	<b>RLRT</b>	Real life retweet
<b>LTM</b>	Laugh to myself	<b>ROR</b>	Raffing out roud (English for "laughing out loud")
<b>LTNS</b>	Long time no see	<b>ROTFL</b>	Rolling on the floor laughing
<b>LTR</b>	Long-term relationship	<b>ROTFLMAO</b>	Rolling on the floor laughing my a** off
<b>LULAB</b>	Love you like a brother	<b>ROTFLMAOWPIMP</b>	Rolling on the floor laughing My a** off while peeing in my pants
<b>LULAS</b>	Love you like a sister	<b>ROTFLMBO</b>	Rolling on the floor laughing my butt off
<b>L UWAMH</b>	Love you with all my heart	<b>RPG</b>	Role-playing games
<b>LY</b>	Love ya	<b>RSN</b>	Real soon now
<b>LY4E</b>	Love ya forever	<b>RT</b>	Real time
<b>MCM</b>	Man candy Monday	<b>RTFM</b>	Read the f*****g manual
<b>MorF</b>	Male or female	<b>RYO</b>	Roll your own (write your own program; derived from cigarettes rolled yourself with tobacco and paper)
<b>MOSS</b>	Member of the same sex	<b>S^</b>	S'up - what's up
<b>MOTOS</b>	Member of the opposite sex	<b>S4L</b>	Spam for life (what you may get when you become someone's customer or client)
<b>MT</b>	Modified tweet	<b>SHCOON</b>	Shoot hot coffee out of nose
<b>MTF</b>	More to follow	<b>SEG</b>	S***-eating grin
<b>MUSM</b>	Miss you so much	<b>SETE</b>	Smiling ear to ear
<b>NADT</b>	Not a darn thing	<b>SF</b>	Surfer-friendly (low-graphics Web site)
<b>NBD</b>	No big deal	<b>SHID</b>	Slaps head in disgust
<b>NFG</b>	No f*****g good	<b>SMH</b>	Shake my head
<b>NFW</b>	No feasible way or no f*****g way	<b>SNAFU</b>	Situation normal, all f*****d up
<b>NIFOC</b>	Naked in front of computer	<b>SO</b>	Significant other
<b>NP or N/P</b>	No problem	<b>SOB</b>	Son of a b****
<b>NPI</b>	No pun intended	<b>SOL</b>	Smiling out loud or s*** out of luck
<b>NRN</b>	No response necessary	<b>SOMY</b>	Sick of me yet?
<b>NTS</b>	Note to self	<b>SOT</b>	Short on time
<b>OBV</b>	Obviously	<b>SOTMG</b>	Short on time must go
<b>OIC</b>	Oh, I see	<b>STFU</b>	Shut the f*** up
<b>OLL</b>	Online love	<b>STFW</b>	Search the f*****g Web
<b>OMG</b>	Oh my God	<b>STW</b>	Search the Web
<b>OOTD</b>	Outfit of the day	<b>SU</b>	Shut up
<b>OTF</b>	Off the floor	<b>SUAKM</b>	Shut up and kiss me
<b>OTOH</b>	On the other hand	<b>SUP</b>	What's up
<b>OTTOMH</b>	Off the top of my head	<b>SWAG</b>	Stupid wild-a** guess
<b>PANS</b>	Pretty awesome new stuff	<b>SWAK</b>	Sealed with a kiss
<b>PAW</b>	Parents are watching	<b>SWL</b>	Screaming with laughter
<b>PCMCIA</b>	People can't master computer industry acronyms	<b>SYS</b>	See you soon
<b>PDA</b>	Public display of affection	<b>TA</b>	Thanks again
<b>PEBCAK</b>	Problem exists between chair and keyboard	<b>TAFN</b>	That's all for now
<b>PIBKAC</b>	Problem is between keyboard and chair	<b>TANSTAAFL</b>	There ain't no such thing as a free lunch
<b>PI</b>	Pun intended	<b>TB4U</b>	Too bad for you
<b>PITA</b>	Pain in the a**	<b>TBH</b>	To be honest
<b>PM</b>	Private message	<b>TBT</b>	Throwback Thursday
<b>PMFJIB</b>	Pardon me for jumping in but...	<b>TBR</b>	To be real
<b>POAHF</b>	Put on a happy face		
<b>::POOF::</b>	Goodbye (leaving the room)		
<b>POTS</b>	Plain old telephone service		

<b>TCOY</b>	Take care of yourself	<b>VBG</b>	Very big grin
<b>TD2O</b>	Too drunk to operate	<b>VBSEG</b>	Very big s***-eating grin
<b>TFH</b>	Thread from hell (a discussion that just won't die and is often irrelevant to the purpose of the forum or group)	<b>W or W/</b>	With
<b>TGIF</b>	Thank God it's Friday	<b>WAG</b>	Wild a** guess
<b>THOT</b>	That h** over there	<b>WAYD</b>	What are you doing
<b>THX</b>	Thanks	<b>WB</b>	Welcome back
<b>TIA</b>	Thanks in advance (used if you post a question and are expecting a helpful reply)	<b>WBS</b>	Write back soon
<b>TILII</b>	Tell it like it is	<b>WCW</b>	Woman crush Wednesday
<b>TLA</b>	Three-letter acronym	<b>WDALYIC</b>	Who died and left you in charge?
<b>TLK2UL8R</b>	Talk to you later	<b>W/E</b>	Whatever
<b>TMI</b>	Too much information	<b>WEG</b>	Wicked evil grin
<b>TNT</b>	Till next time	<b>WFM</b>	Works for me
<b>TOPCA</b>	Till our paths cross again	<b>WIBNI</b>	Wouldn't it be nice if
<b>TOY</b>	Thinking of you	<b>WOMT</b>	Waste of my time
<b>TPTB</b>	The powers that be	<b>WT?</b>	What/who the ?
<b>TTFN</b>	Ta-ta for now	<b>WTF</b>	What the f***!
<b>TT</b>	Transformation Tuesday	<b>WTFO</b>	What the f***! Over!
<b>TTT</b>	Thought that, too (when someone types in what you were about to type)	<b>WTG</b>	Way to go!
<b>TTYL</b>	Talk to you later	<b>WTGP?</b>	Want to go private?
<b>TTYS</b>	Talk to you soon	<b>WU?</b>	What's up?
<b>TU</b>	Thank you	<b>WUF?</b>	Where are you from?
<b>TY</b>	Thank you	<b>WYSITWIRL</b>	What you see is totally worthless in real life
<b>TYT</b>	Take your time	<b>WYSIWYG</b>	What you see is what you get
<b>TYVM</b>	Thank you very much	<b>WYD</b>	What're you doing?
<b>UAPITA</b>	You're a pain in the a**	<b>YBS</b>	You'll be sorry
<b>UAF</b>	Until further notice	<b>YGBSM</b>	You gotta be s***tin' me!
<b>UW</b>	You're welcome	<b>YMMV</b>	Your mileage may vary.
<b>UWFS</b>	Unit went for a swim	<b>YOLO</b>	You only live once
		<b>YW</b>	You're welcome

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