The following lists highlights some of the most commonly used acronyms – shorthands on chat sites, instant messengers, online forums, Facebook, Twitter and in text messaging.



## What's The Meaning Of Lol, Lmao, Rofl, Brb, Afk, Ty, Thx and Np?

When I asked the question, what's the meaning of lol, lmao, rofl, brb, afk, ty, thx, and np, I was very curious to find the meaning of these acronyms and slang which I kept finding on the internet. The question, what's the meaning of lol, lmao, rofl, brb, afk, ty, thx, and np got answers from many people and I thank them for their inputs. Now I know the meaning of these internet slang plus a few others which I would like to share here with new users of the internet who may find themselves in that problem I was in. Below, I have included a list of Internet Slang and Acronyms where you can find the meaning of lol, lmao, rofl, brb, afk, ty, thx, np, and other internet slag and acronyms. Coined and Popularized By Internet Users

I learnt that these slang are coined and popularized by internet users to save time on keystrokes. The acronyms are also used in text messages, emails, blogs, forums, imageboards, instant messages, as well as in social networking sites such as Facebook.



Internet slang are coined and popularized by users in social networking sites such as Facebook Source: blogoehlert.typepad.com, Wikipedia

Memes Evolving By Natural Selection

Some of the internet slang will also develop not just for the sake of saving time but as identification by members of the same social internet grouping in which members feel loyal to, and members will repeatedly use an acronym (may be a common typing error that is eventually turned into a slang) and soon it catches on in the wider internet as slang. When slang develops that way they are memes that are evolving by natural selection just like in biological evolution.

Internet Slang is a New Language Developing

Today, young people are using the internet slang not only in written communication but also in spoken communication. This really is a sure sign of a language that is in the processes of developing into a brand new language. Whilst the use of internet slang saves time to the writer, the reader of the slang, or short words, takes more than twice the time to understand what the writer is trying to say.

List of Internet Slang and Acronyms

Here below is a listing of internet slang and acronyms which I believe are commonly used by many users of the internet.

#### Listing of Internet Slang and Acronyms

Listing of Internet Slang and Acronyms				
No	Slang and Acronyms		Meaning	
1	1	Means =	One, exclamation mark	
2	2	Means =	To, Too or Two	
3	4	Means =	For or Four	
4	AFAP	Means =	As Far As Possible	
5	A&F, AAF	Means =	Always And Forever	
6	A3	Means =	Anywhere, Any time, Any place	
7	AA	Means =	Alcoholics Anonymous	
8	AAB	Means =	Average At Best	
9	AAK	Means =	Alive And Kicking	
10	AAMOF	Means =	As A Matter Of Fact	
11	AAP	Means =	Always A Pleasure	
12	AAR	Means =	At Any Rate	
13	AAYF	Means =	As Always, Your Friend	
14	ABD	Means =	Already Been Done	
15	ABH	Means =	Actual Bodily Harm	
16	ABN	Means =	*sshole By Nature	
17	ABT	Means =	Absolutely	
18	ABT	Means =	About	
19	ADM	Means =	All Day Long	
20	ADMIN	Means =	Administrator	
21	ADN	Means =	Any Day Now	
22	AEAE	Means =	And Ever And Ever	
23	AEAP	Means =	As Early As Possible	
24	AFAIAC	Means =	As Far As I Am Concerned	
25	AFAIC	Means =	As Far As I'm Concerned	
26	AFAICS	Means =	As Far As I Can See	
27	AFAICT	Means =	As Far As I Can Tell	
28	AFAIK	Means =	As Far As I Know	
29	AFAIR	Means =	As Far As I Remember	
30	AFC	Means =	Away From Computer	

No	Slang and Acronyn	ms	Meaning
31	AFD	Means =	All F***ing Day
32	AFT	Means =	About F***ing Time
33	AGW	Means =	All Going Well
34	Aight	Means =	Are you alright, Yo
35	ALOL	Means =	Actually Laughing Out Loud
36	ANY1	Means =	Anyone
37	AYSOS	Means =	Are You Stupid Or Something?
38	В	Means =	Be
39	B4	Means =	Before
40	Bb	Means =	Bye Bye, Goodbye
41	BBIAB	Means =	Be back in a bit
42	BBL	Means =	Be back later
43	BBS	Means =	Be back soon
44	BD	Means =	Big deal
45	BRB	Means =	Be right back
46	BRB	Means =	Be right back or Bath- room break
47	BRT	Means =	Be right there
48	BTW	Means =	By the way
49	C	Means =	See
50	CSWS	Means =	Can't Stop, Won't Stop
51	CU	Means =	See you
52	CUL	Means =	See you later
53	Cuz	Means =	Because
54	CYA	Means =	See you
55	CYS	Means =	Check your settings
56	da	Means =	The
57	dat	Means =	That
58	der	Means =	There
59	DIAF	Means =	Die in a fire
60	Dunno	Means =	Dont know
61	FAQ	Means =	Frequently asked questions
62	FOAD	Means =	**** off and die
63	FTL	Means =	For the loss
64	FTUW	Means =	For the uber win
65	FTW	Means =	For the win
66	FWIW	Means =	For what it's worth
67	FYI	Means =	For your information
68	G2G / GTG	Means =	Got to go

No	Slang and Acronyms		Meaning
69	GAL	Means =	Get a life
70	GFY	Means =	Good for you
71	GG	Means =	Good game, Good going
72	GIYF	Means =	Google is your friend
73	Gonna	Means =	Going to
74	HAND	Means =	Have a nice day
75	HS	Means =	Holy sh*t!
76	HTH	Means =	Hope this helps
77	IACL	Means =	I am currently laughing
78	IANAL	Means =	I am not a lawyer
79	IANARS	Means =	I am not a rocket scientist
80	IC	Means =	I see
81	ICYDK	Means =	In case you didn't know
82	IDGI	Means =	I don't get it
83	IDK	Means =	I don't know
84	Iggy	Means =	Igloo
85	IIRC	Means =	If I recall correctly
86	ILY or ILU	Means =	I love you
87	IMHO	Means =	In my honest opinion
88	IMNSHO	Means =	In my not so honest opinion
89	IMO	Means =	In my opinion
90	IRL	Means =	In real life
91	ITT	Means =	In this thread
92	IYDMMA	Means =	If you don't mind me asking
93	JJ	Means =	Just joking
94	JK	Means =	Just kidding
95	JOOC	Means =	Just out of curiosity
96	JP	Means =	Just playing
97	K	Means =	Okay
98	KK	Means =	Ok Cool or Ok Kewl
99	KL	Means =	kool, cool
100	Kwl	Means =	Cool
101	L8r	Means =	Later
102	LLAH	Means =	Laughing like a Hyena
103	LMAO	Means =	Laughing my *ss off
104	LMFAO	Means =	Laughing my f*cking *ss off
105	LOL	Means =	Laugh out loud

No	Slang and Acronym	ns	Meaning
106	LQTM	Means =	Laugh quietly to myself
107	M8	Means =	Mate
108	MYOB	Means =	Mind your own business
109	NLS	Means =	Not Life Safe
110	NOYB	Means =	None of your business
111	NP	Means =	No problem
112	NSFW	Means =	Not Safe For Work
113	Nvm	Means =	Never Mind
114	NVM	Means =	Never mind
115	NWS	Means =	Not Work Safe
116	O	Means =	Oh
117	O3	Means =	Out Of Office
118	OGC	Means =	Man J*cking Off
119	OIC	Means =	Oh, I see
120	OJ	Means =	Only Joking
121	OMG	Means =	Oh my God!, Oh my Goodness!,
122	OOC	Means =	Out of Character
123	OP	Means =	Original Poster, Original Post
124	OT	Means =	Off topic
125	PEBKAC	Means =	Problem exists between the keyboard and the chair
126	Pic	Means =	Picture
127	PITA	Means =	Pain in the *ss
128	Pix	Means =	Pictures
129	Plz, Pls	Means =	Please
130	PMSL	Means =	Pissing, pissed myself laughing
131	POS	Means =	Piece of sh*t
132	PPL	Means =	People
133	PTTL	Means =	Pop to the loo
134	RL	Means =	Real life
135	ROFL	Means =	Rolling on the floor laughing
136	ROFLMAO	Means =	Rolling on the floor laughing my *ss off
137	ROFLMAOL	Means =	Rolling on the floor laughing my *ss out loud
138	Shudda	Means =	Should have

No	Slang and Acronyms		Meaning
139	SMH	Means =	Shaking my head
140	SO	Means =	Significant other
141	SOS	Means =	Same old sh*t
142	soz, srry	Means =	Sorry
143	SSDD	Means =	Same sh*t, different day
144	STFW	Means =	Search the f*cking web
145	sup	Means =	What's up?
146	sup homes	Means =	What's up, friend?
147	SWW	Means =	Sorry, wrong window - typing in the wrong box
148	Thnx	Means =	Thanks
149	Tho	Means =	Though
150	TIA	Means =	Thanks in advance
151	TTFN	Means =	Ta ta for now
152	TTYL	Means =	Talk to you later
153	TTYT	Means =	Talk to you tomorrow
154	TY	Means =	Thank you
155	TYT	Means =	Take your time
156	U	Means =	You
157	W8	Means =	Wait
158	Wanna	Means =	Want to
159	WB	Means =	Welcome back
160	Wd	Means =	Well done
161	WDUWTA?	Means =	What do you want to talk about?
162	Wile	Means =	While
163	WOOT	Means =	We own the other team
164	WTH?	Means =	What the hell?
165	WURSC	Means =	Wow, you are so cool
166	YCM	Means =	You copied me
167	Ye	Means =	Yeah, Yes
168	YMMV	Means =	Your mileage may vary
169	Yo	Means =	Hey, Your
170	YSVW	Means =	You are so very welcome
171	YW	Means =	You are welcome
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## Internet Slang

Internet users have developed many slang terms over the years. Most of these are not actually acronyms as they cannot be pronounced, but that is what they are called nonetheless. Many of these terms originated for saving keystrokes and are often written in lower case:

- AFAIC "as far as I'm concerned", or "as far as I care", or "as far as I can..."
- AFAIK "as far as I know"
- AFAIR "as far as I recall", or "as far as I remember"
- AFK "away from keyboard"
- ASAP "as soon as possible"
- BBL "be back later"
- BBS "be back soon"
- BFD "big fucking deal"
- BRB "be right back" (usually used in chats and on an instant messenger service).
- BTW "by the way"
- B2B "Business to Business"
- C&V Chapter & Verse. Used in newsgroups.
- C|N>K a Unix -ism meaning "coffee through nose into keyboard"
- cya "see you", used as a goodbye.
- CU "see you", used as a goodbye.
- CYS "Check your settings". A phrase often said by technical support staff of a certain Australian ISP.
- FAQ "Frequently Asked Question"
- FFS "for fuck's sake!"
  FOAF "friend of a friend", i.e. the dubious attribution given to urban legends
- FYI "for your information"
- G2G "got to go". Used in chatrooms.
- GAGF "go and get fucked"
- GFY "good for you" or "go fuck yourself". The use of this acronym is ambigious and not recommended.
- GG "good going" or "good game". Used sincerely in online games such as trivia, but more often used sarcastically when someone has done something foolish. Also, it is now becoming customary for all players to say "gg" when the game is over in such games as Counter-Strike, unless a player is profoundly displeased with the outcome.
- GJ Good Job
- HAND "have a nice day"
- HTH "hope this helps"
- IANAL "I am not a lawyer". Usually used before a non-lawyer gives legal advice, as a humorous disclaimer.
- IANARS "I am not a rocket scientist"
- IC "I see", also, "in character" in MUDs and role-playing games. ICYDK / ICYDN / ICUDK -- "In case you didn't know."
- IIRC "if I recall correctly" c.f. ISTR
- IMHO "in my humble opinion" / "in my honest opinion"
- IMO "in my opinion"
- IMNSHO "in my not-so-humble opinion"
- IRC "Internet Relay Chat"
- IRL "in real life". Used in MUD settings.
- ISTR "I seem to recall" (i.e. I'm not really sure) c.f. IIRC
- IYDMMA "if you don't mind me asking", for ex., "IYDMMA, are you a virgin?"
- JJ or JK (j/k) "just joking", "just kidding"
- Joo synonym of you. Also spelled j00 with a lower case j and two zeroes rather than two
- JOOC "just out of curiosity"

- k short for "OK"
- 18 a shorthand spelling of "late".
- 18r a shorthand spelling of "later", meaning "see you later" (see leet) LIEK — synonym of like, as in "I like that website".
- LMAO "laughing my ass off"
- LOL "laughing out loud", or "lots of laughs" (a reply to something amusing)
- MYOB "mind your own business"
- NM (n/m) "never mind" or "not much"
- NOYB "none of your business"
- NP "No Problem"
- NSFW "Not safe for work." Material (pictures, webpages) not suitable for the office, but for the home instead. Used by Fark . See SFW.
- NT "No Text", used on Internet forums or Usenet to indicate that a post has no content
- O "oh"
- OIC "oh, I see"
- OMG Exclamation, "Oh my God!!"
- OMFG Exclamation, "Oh my fucking God!!"
- OMFL Exclamation, "Oh my fucking lag!"
- OOC "out-of-character". Used on MUDs and other role-playing games. Also, "out of curiosity."
- OT "off topic"
- OTOH "on the other hand"
- own to defeat someone (used commonly when playing Counter-Strike ) or to humiliate someone tactically in a debate; something that is extremely cool (ex. BMWs totally own).
- PFO "please fuck off"
- PITA "pain in the ass"
- PO (PO'd) "piss off" ("pissed off")
- prog "computer program" (progz in plural)
  prolly contracted form of "probably"
- plz shorthand spelling of "please"
- Pwn step up of the word own. To "Pwn something" means to have complete control over it, and to be "Pwned by something" means to be dominated by it. (see leet ) P2P — Person to Person
- qoolz something that is "cool" in the American sense.
- R shorthand spelling of "are"
- RL "real life". Used in MUD settings.
- ROFL (or ROTFL) "rolling on the floor laughing" (a reply to something extremely amusing).
- ROFLMAO (or ROTFLMAO) "rolling on the floor laughing my ass off"
- r0x0rz leet speaks for "rocks"
- RTFA "read the fucking article" applies mostly to Slashdot threads, for users who make comments on a story without having read it first.
- RTFM "read the fucking manual" (often sanitized to "read the fine manual"). The frequent reply to a request for basic help from newbies who have not attempted to find the answer for themselves.
- RU Are You?
- R8 right
- SFW "Safe for work." Material (pictures, webpages) that is safe for the office. Used by Fark . See NSFW.
- STFU-"shut the fuck up"
- sux0rs leet speak for "sucks"
- TBH "to be honest"
- thx shorthand spelling of "thanks" this can be combined into "kthx" (OK, thanks), "plzkthx" (Please, OK, thanks), and "kthxbye" (OK, thanks, goodbye)
- TTFN Ta Ta For Now
- TIA "thanks in advance"
- TTYL "talk to you later"
- U a shorthand spelling of "you"
- ur a shorthand spelling of "you're"
- w/e slang/abbreviation for whatever

- w/o without
- WDUWTA —- "what do u wanna talk about?"
- WTF "what the fuck?"
- YMMV " Your mileage may vary " (you may see different results)
- w00t exclamation of excitement or happiness; closely related to, "hell yea!" (short for woohoo) or We Owned the Other Team
- w8 shorthand spelling of "wait".
- X > \* definition of something [X] is better than everything [\*].
- <3 "love" (made from the ASCII-art heart between the less than symbol and the three). Ex: I <3 you.
- 2B To be
- 4 for

#### Others express concepts peculiar to the Net:

- cluebie a newbie with a clue, but not close to a guru.
- guru an expert in some technical topic, such as as C programming or Unix system administration
- FAQ frequently asked question, or a list of frequently asked questions with answers. Never seems to be written in small letters.
- flamer one who 'flames'; To rant on about some relatively uninteresting subject or with a patently ridiculous attitude or with hostility towards a particular person or group of people. "Flame" is used as a verb ("Don't flame me for this"), a flame is a single flaming message. Also is likely to relate to the term lamer.
- hijack go offtopic. done commonly by newbies in forums.
- troll a person who deliberately stirs up trouble (see article).
- lurker one who reads an email list or a message board but does not participate in the discussion.
- newbie a new user. Not a pejorative term (but see RTFM, preceding).
- noob a new user. Also spelled n00b, with two zeroes rather than two O's

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# **Text Message Abbreviations - SMS Dictionary Examples By:**Steve Nash

Anything - NTHING Are you OK - RUOK? Are - R Ate - 8 Be - B Before - B4 Be seeing you - BCNU Cutie - QT Date - D8 Dinner - DNR Easy - EZ Eh? - A? Excellent - XLNT Fate - F8 For - 4 For your information - FYI Great - GR8 Late - L8 Later - L8R Lots of love/laughs - Lol Love - LUV Mate - M8

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Please - PLS
Please call me - PCM
Queue/cue - Q
Rate - R8
See/sea - C
See you later - CU L8R
Speak - SPK
Tea - T
Thanks - THX
Thank you - THNQ
To/too - 2
To be - 2B
Today - 2DAY
Tomorrow - 2MORO
Want to - WAN2
What - WOT
Work - WRK
Why - Y
You - U
Happy/Smiley - :-)
Angry - :-||
Very happy - :-))
Confused - %-)
Tongue tied - :-&
Sad - :-(
Saintly - O:-)
Laughing - :-D
Crying - :'-(
Surprised/shocked - :- O
Screaming - :-@
Kiss - :-*
Pig - :@)
Clown - *:-)
Wink - ; -)
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