

Smileys and Emoticons

There are now hundreds of different emoticons and smileys being used in email, IM and SMS text messaging. It's important to know which one means what - otherwise you'll put across the wrong message and be very :) (embarrassed)! Here's a list of smileys to get you started.

:~)	Smiling
:-D	Laughing, very happy
~)	Grinning
(g)	Grin
~D	Belly laugh
:'~)	Tears of joy
;-)	Kidding, joke
'~)	Kidding, joke
;->	Conspiratorial wink
:")	Embarrassed
:*)	Clown
:^D	Sounds good, agreeance
^5	High five
(::[:]:)	Bandaid; offer of help
:-(:(Unhappy Sad
:-<	Really sad
:-c	Really unhappy
:'	Crying
:-	Grim
>:-<	Angry
:-V	Shouting
:()	Talkative
%~)	Befuddled
:-o	Surprised
:O	Shocked
8-O	Very surprised
:-X	Big kiss
:-x	Small kiss
((((h))))	Hug
:-P	Anticipation
@>-->--	A rose
d:-)	Baseball
((((H))))	Big Hug
}Y{	Butterfly
8^	Chicken
:-S	Confused
<:-	Dunce, stupid
>:) -	Grinning Evil
8)	Frog
(_8()	Homer Simpson
^_^	Grin

:-V	Shouting
:-/	Skeptical
;) ^)	Smirking
(:-(Very Unhappy
[:-(Discman wearer
*<):o)	Clown
:0)	Clowning around
:")	Embarrassed
>-)	Evil Grin
:-(*	Blehh
:-#	It's a secret
8-O -	Huge surprise
@};---	Rose
:-0	Talkative
:~)))	Very Happy
'-)	Wink
I-O	Yawn
=8-0	Surprise, shock

SMS & IM Text Speak Abbreviations

Everyone uses abbreviations to save time while still getting their message across when using email, IM or text messaging. The following is a list of the most common abbreviations.

+LY	Positively
2DAY	Today
2MORO	Tomorrow
2NITE	Tonight
2WIMC	To Whom It May Concern
4GVN	Forgiven
4YEO	For Your Eyes Only
AFAIK	As Far As I Know
AFK	Away From Keyboard
ASAP	As Soon As Possible
ATK	At The Keyboard
ATM	At The Moment
B4	Before
BAK	Back At Keyboard
BBL	Be Back Later
BBS	Be Back Soon
BFN	Bye For Now
B4N	Bye For Now
BBFN	Bye Bye For Now
BB4N	Bye Bye For Now
BRB	Be Right Back
BRT	By The Way
CSL	Can't Stop Laughing
CU	See You

CUL8R See You Later
CYA See You
FAQ Frequently Asked Question
FC Fingers Crossed
FWIW For What It's Worth
FYI For Your Information
GAL Get A Life
GMTA Great Minds Think Alike
GR8 Great!
IC I See
ILU I Love You
IMHO In My Humble Opinion
IML8 I'm Late
IMO In My Opinion
IOW In Other Words
IRL In Real Life
J/C Just Chillin'
LOL Laughing Out Loud
LTNS Long Time No See
L8R Later
MTE My Thoughts Exactly
M8 Mate
N2M Not Too Much
NRN No Reply Necessary
NP No Problem
OIC Oh I See
OXOXO Hugs and Kisses
PPL People
PRT Party
ROFL Rolling On The Floor Laughing
RUOK Are You Okay?
SK8ER Skater
SUM1 Someone
ASL Age, Sex and Location
THNQ Thank you
THX Thanks
TTFN Ta-Ta For Now
TTYL Talk To You Later
U You
U2 You Too
U4E Yours For Ever
WAN2 Want to?
WB Welcome Back
WKEND Weekend
WTG Way To Go!
WUF Where Are You From?
W8 Wait
XLNT Excellent