

# Chat & Instant messaging abbreviations

<b>Abbreviation</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<3	heart
404	I haven't a clue
A3	Anyplace, anywhere, anytime
ADN	Any day now
AFAIK	As far as I know
AFK	Away from keyboard
ARE	Acronym-rich environment
ASAP	As soon as possible
A/S/L?	Age/sex/location?
B4N	Bye for now
BAK	Back at the keyboard
BAS	Big a** smile
BBIAB	Be back in a bit
BBL	Be back later
BBN	Bye bye now
BBS	Be back soon
BEG	Big evil grin
BF	Boy friend
BFD	Big f***ing deal
BFN	Bye for now
BG	Big grin
BIBO	Beer in, beer out
BIOYIOP	Blow it out your I/O port
BL	Belly laughing
BMGWL	Busting my gut with laughter
BOTEC	Back-of-the-envelope calculation
BRB	Be right back
BTA	But then again...

BTDT	Been there, done that
BTW	By the way
BWL	Bursting with laughter
BWTHDIK	But what the heck do I know...?
CICO	Coffee in, coffee out
C&G	Chuckle and grin
CNP	Continued in next post
CFUU	Customer f***ed up unit
CHUA	Customer's head up a**
CJWB	Customer just wanted to bitch
CMIU	Customer misunderstood intended use
CNDL	Customer not deserving of life
COCR	Customer obviously can't read
CRB	Come right back
CRBT	Crying real big tears
CRS	Can't read s**t
CU	See you
CUL	See you later
CUL8ER	See you later
CYA	See ya
CYA	Cover your ass
CYO	See you online
DBA	Doing business as
DFLA	Disenhanced four-letter acronym (that is, a TLA)
DL	Dead link
DLTBBB	Don't let the bed bugs bite
DIKU	Do I know you?
DITYID	Did I tell you I'm distressed?

DOM	Dirty old man
DOS	Dozing off soon
DQMOT	Don't quote me on this
DTRT	Do the right thing
DWB	Don't write back
E2E	exchange to exchange
E2E	e-business to e-business
E2E	employee to employee
E2E	end to end
EEGF	Exposed to excessive G force (dropped, etc)
EEMD	Environment exceeded manufacture's design
EG	Evil grin
EIOE	Ethanol-induced operator error
EMFBI	Excuse me for butting in
EMSG	E-mail message
EOM	End of message
EOT	End of thread (meaning: end of discussion)
ESAD	Eat s**t and die
ESTO	Equipment Smarter Than Operator
ETLA	Extended three-letter acronym (that is, an FLA)
EWG	evil wicked grin
F2F	Face to face
FAQ	Frequently-ask question(s)
FC	Fingers crossed
FISH	First in, still here
FLA	Four-letter acronym
FMTYEWTK	Far more than you ever wanted to know
FOMCL	Falling off my chair laughing

FTBOMH	From the bottom of my heart
FUBAR	F***ed up beyond all repair or recognition
FUD	Fear, Uncertainty, and Doubt
FWIW	For what it's worth
FYI	For your information
G	Grin
GA	Go ahead
GAL	Get a life
GIGO	Garbage in, garbage out
GD&R	Grinning, ducking, and running
GF	Girlfriend
GFN	Gone for now
GGP	Gotta go pee
GIWIST	Gee, I wish I'd said that
GL	Good luck
GMAB	Give me a break
GMTA	Great minds think alike
GOL	Giggling out loud
GTRM	Going to read mail
GTSY	Glad to see you
H&K	Hug and kiss
HAGN	Have a good night
HAND	Have a nice day
HEMD	Humidity exceeded manufacture's design
HHIS	Hanging head in shame
HIG	How's it going
HT	Hi there
HTH	Hope this helps
HUB	Head up butt
IAC	In any case
IAE	In any event

IANAL	I am not a lawyer (but)
IAW	I agree with or In accordance with
IC	I see
IGP	I gotta pee
IHA	I hate acronyms
IHU	I hear you
IIRC	If I recall/remember/recollect correctly
ILU or ILY	I love you
IM	Immediate message
IMCO	In my considered opinion
IMHO	In my humble opinion
IMing	Chatting with someone online usually while doing other things such as playing trivia or other interactive game
IMNSHO	In my not so humble opinion
IMO	In my opinion
IMS	I am sorry
IOW	In other words
IPN	I'm posting naked
IRL	In real life (that is, when not chatting)
ITA	I totally agree
ITIGBS	I think I'm going to be sick
IWALU	I will always love you
IYSWIM	If you see what I mean
J4G	Just for grins
JBOD	Just a bunch of disks (like redundant array of independent disks, etc.)
JIC	Just in case

JK or j/k	Just kidding
JMO	Just my opinion
JTLYK	Just to let you know
k	ok
KISS	Keep it simple stupid
KIT	Keep in touch
KOTC	Kiss on the cheek
KOTL	Kiss on the lips
KWIM?	Know what I mean?
L8R	Later
L8R G8R	Later gator
LD	Later, dude
LDR	Long-distance relationship
LHO	Laughing head off
LLTA	Lots and lots of thunderous applause
LMFAO	Laughing my f**king a** off
LMAO	Laughing my a** off
LMSO	Laughing my socks off
LOL	Laughing out loud
LRF	Little Rubber Feet (the little pads on the bottom of displays and other equipment)
LSHMBH	Laughing so hard my belly hurts
LTM	Laugh to myself
LTNS	Long time no see
LTR	Long-term relationship
LULAB	Love you like a brother
LULAS	Love you like a sister
LUWAMH	Love you with all my heart
LY	Love ya

LY4E	Love ya forever
MorF	Male or female
MOSS	Member of the same sex
MOTOS	Member of the opposite sex
MTF	More to follow
MUSM	Miss you so much
NADT	Not a darn thing
NFG	No f*****g good
NFW	No feasible way or no f*****g way
NIFOC	Naked in front of computer
NP or N/P	No problem
NPI	No pun intended
NRN	No response necessary
OIC	Oh, I see
OLL	Online love
OMG	Oh my God
OTF	Off the floor
OTOH	On the other hand
OTTOMH	Off the top of my head
PANS	Pretty awesome new stuff (as opposed to "POTS")
PAW	Parents are watching
PCMCIA	People can't master computer industry acronyms
PDA	Public display of affection
PEBCAK	Problem exists between chair and keyboard
PIBKAC	Problem is between keyboard and chair
PI	Pun intended
PITA	Pain in the ass
PM	Private message

PMFJIB	Pardon me for jumping in but...
POAHF	Put on a happy face
::POOF::	Goodbye (leaving the room)
POTS	Plain old telephone service
PU	That stinks!
QT	Cutie
RL	Real life (that is, when not chatting)
ROR	Raffing out roud (Engrish for "laughing out loud")
ROTFL	Rolling on the floor laughing
ROTFLMAO	Rolling on the floor laughing my a** off
ROTFLMAOWPIMP	Rolling on the floor laughing my a** off while peeing in my pants
ROTFLMBO	Rolling on the floor laughing my butt off
RPG	Role-playing games
RSN	Real soon now
RT	Real time
RTFM	Read the f***ing manual
RYO	Roll your own (write your own program; derived from cigarettes rolled yourself with tobacco and paper)
S^	S'up - what's up
S4L	Spam for life (what you may get when you become someone's customer or client)
SHCOON	Shoot hot coffee out of



	nose
SEG	S***-eating grin
SETE	Smiling ear to ear
SF	Surfer-friendly (low-graphics Web site)
SHID	Slaps head in disgust
SNAFU	Situation normal, all f***ed up
SO	Significant other
SOL	Smiling out loud or sh*t out of luck
SOMY	Sick of me yet?
SOT	Short on time
SOTMG	Short on time must go
STFU	Shut the f**k up
STFW	Search the f*****g Web
STW	Search the Web
SU	Shut up
SUAKM	Shut up and kiss me
SUP	What's up
SWAG	Stupid wild-a** guess
SWAK	Sealed with a kiss
SWL	Screaming with laughter
SYS	See you soon
TA	Thanks again
TAFN	That's all for now
TANSTAAFL	There ain't no such thing as a free lunch
TCOY	Take care of yourself
TD2O	Too Drunk To Operate
TFH	Thread from hell (a discussion that just won't die and is often irrelevant to the purpose of the forum or group)
TGIF	Thank God it's Friday

THX	Thanks
TIA	Thanks in advance (used if you post a question and are expecting a helpful reply)
TILII	Tell it like it is
TLA	Three-letter acronym
TLK2UL8R	Talk to you later
TB4U	Too bad for you
TMI	Too much information
TNT	Till next time
TOPCA	Til our paths cross again (early Celtic chat term)
TOY	Thinking of you
TPTB	The powers that be
TTFN	Ta-Ta for now
TTT	Thought that, too (when someone types in what you were about to type)
TTYL	Talk to you later
TU	Thank you
TY	Thank you
TYVM	Thank you very much
UAPITA	You're a pain in the ass
UAF	Until further notice
UW	You're welcome
UWFS	Unit Went For a Swim
VBG	Very big grin
VBSEG	Very big s***-eating grin
WAG	Wild a** guess
WAYD	What are you doing
WB	Welcome back
WBS	Write back soon
WDALYIC	Who died and left you in charge?
WEG	Wicked evil grin

WFM	Works for me
WIBNI	Wouldn't it be nice if
WOMT	Waste of my time
WT?	What/who the ?
WTF	What the F***!
WTFO	What the F***! Over!
WTG	Way to go!
WTGP?	Want to go private?
WU?	What's up?
WYSITWIRL	What you see is TOTALLY WORTHLESS IN REAL LIFE!
WUF?	Where are you from?
WYSIWYG	What you see is what you get
YBS	You'll be sorry
YGBSM	You gotta be s***tin' me!
YMMV	Your mileage may vary.
YW	You're welcome