**COOLEST ABBREVIATIONS THAT NATIVES ARE USING ON TEXT MESSAGING IN 2023**

# Expressing emotions and feelings

**HIFW** – How I feel when

\*\* HIFW has become one of the most common text abbreviations in funny, sarcastic memes and gifs on Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook. Another example with the full words is also frequently used in blogs and FB posts.

**TFW** – That feeling when. TFW internet slang often goes in a caption to an image.

**MFW** – My face when

**MRW** – My reaction when

**IFYP** – I feel your pain

**LOL** – Laughing out loud

**TNTL** – Trying not to laugh

**JK** – Just kidding

**IDC** – I don’t care

**ILY** – I love you

**IMU** – I miss you

**ADIH** – Another day in hell

**IDC** – I don’t care

**ZZZ** – Sleeping, bored, tired

**WYWH** – Wish you were here

**TIME** – Tears in my eyes

**BAE** – Before anyone else

\*\* You can use it referring to a person who you care for the most. E.g. Me and my BAE have just watched another episode of Game of Thrones!

**SSDD** – Same stuff, different day

**QQ** – Crying

\*\* For me, the origin of QQ abbreviation is really surprising. According to Urban Dictionary, at first, QQ meant to quit the game Warcraft II by pressing the hotkey Alt+QQ. Hence, when a player started whining, others offered him to QQ. Soon, it was associated with crying eyes and used in texting and tweeting as well.

**FIMH** – Forever in my heart

**BSAAW** – Big smile and a wink

**BWL** – Bursting with laughter

**LMAO** – Laughing my a\*\* off

**BFF**: Best friends forever

**CSL** – Can’t stop laughing

# **Expressing Opinion and Reaction**

**IMOIMHO** – In my opinionIn my humble opinion

**OMDB** – Over my dead body

**NTH** – Nice to have. what does nth mean in texting messaging

**POV** – Point of View

**TBH** – To be honest

**FTW** – For the win

**WTF** – What the f\*\*\*

\*\* This and the following examples belong to internet slang abbreviations describing something of the best or low (FTL) quality. If you say something is FTW, then it can be splendid, amazing, perfect, etc.

**FTL** – For the loss

**YNK** – You never know

**SMH** – Shaking my head

\*\* Describing the reaction to something stupid, aggressive, hostile, unfair, etc.

**SRSLY** – Seriously

**YGTR** – You got that right

**GMTA** – Great minds think alike

**AYMM** – Are you my mother?

**CWOT** – Complete waste of time

# Disclaimers

**IANAL** – I am not a lawyer

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**AFAIK** – As far as I know

**AFAIR** – As far as I remember

**AFAIC** – As far as I’m concerned

**AAMOF** – As a matter of fact

**FWIW** – For what it’s worth

**YMMV** – Your mileage may vary

**IIRC** – If I remember correctly

**DM** – Direct message

**AFAICT** – As far as I can tell

**TL;DR** – Too long; didn’t read

\*\* You can reply with this abbreviation not only to emphasise how long the post is but also to explain that you’ve been too lazy to read and just ignored it. Which is why TL;DR also means Too lazy; didn’t read. Later, it gave birth to ToS; DR (Terms of service; didn’t read). As you may know, many people skip studying this part of a website because of the complex law terms and long sentences.

# Attracting **attention**

**IRL** – In real life

**TIL** – Today I learned

**SOML** – Story of my life. What does SOML mean in texting? Most likely a person compares another person’s story with own situation.

**EMBM** – Early morning business meeting

**J4F** – Just for fun

**JSYK** – Just so you know

**FAWC** – For anyone who cares

**RLRT** – Real life retweet

**OH** – Overheard

**WUZUP (SUP)** – What’s up?

**CS** – Career suicide

**DWH** – During work hours

# Warning **and recommendation**

**NSFW** – Not safe for work

\*\*If you see this kind of abbreviation posted near a specific link, then do not click it. Most likely, NSFW acronym will lead to some sexual, nude, brutal or violent content banned to view at your working place.

**NSFL** – Not safe for life

\*\* It refers to even more offensive and shocking content which can possibly cause mental harm.

**SFW** – Safe for work

**GRAS** – Generally recognised as safe

**NBD** – Not big deal

**OC** – Original content

**OP** – Original poster

# **This refers to someone who was the first to publish a post.**

**PPL** – People

**ICYMI** – In case you missed it

**JIC** – Just in case

**NAGI** – Not a good idea

**GOI** – Get over it

**RBTL** – Read between the lines

**AYOR** – At your own risk

**DIY** – Do it yourself

**E123** – Easy as one, two, three

**GAHOY** – Get a hold of yourself

# Asking **for a favor or advice**

**TMB** – Tweet me back

**WTPA** – Where the party at?

**DAE** – Does anyone else?

**PRT** – Please retweet

**PTB** – Please text back

**TIA** – Thanks in advance

**BUMP** – Bring up my post

# Notifications**, wishes, greetings, closings**

**OMW** – On my way

**GRATZ** – Congratulations

**GL** – Good luck

**IDK** – I don’t know

**TTYL** – Talk to you later

**BRB** – Be right back

**W8** – Wait

**NFS** – Not for sale

**B4N** – Bye for now

**B@U** – Back at you

**BBBG** – Bye bye be good

**BBIAS** – Be back in a sec

**RUOK** – Are you OK?

**CYT** – See you tomorrow

**DBMIB** – Don’t bother me I’m busy

**DM** – Direct message

**GFN** – Gone for now

**AFK** – Away from keyboard

# **The** Most **Popular SMS Abbreviations**

**BRB** – Be Right Back

\*\* Sorry, just grabbing a coffee – BRB!

**BTW** – By the Way

\*\* I’m on the way, BTW should I bring anything?

**OMG** – Oh my God/Goodness

OMG I can’t believe that happened!

**IDK** – I Don’t Know

\*\* The traffic’s delayed me, IDK what time I’ll get there!

**TTYL** – Talk to You Later

\*\* I’ve got to run, TTYL.

**OMW** – On My Way

\*\* I’ve just left, OMW now!

**SMH** – Shaking My Head

\*\* I can’t believe you just said that, SMH.

**LOL** – Laugh Out Loud

\*\* That’s so funny, LOL!

**TBD** – To be Determined

\*\* The time and place is TBD!

**IMHO/IMO** – In My Humble Opinion/In My Opinion

\*\* IMHO, coffee is way better than tea.

**HMU** – Hit Me Up

\*\* If you need anything just HMU!

**LMK** – Let Me Know

\*\* LMK if you need anything from the grocery store.

**OG** – Original Gangsters (used for old friends)

\*\* You’ll love her, she’s one of my OGs!

**FTW** – For The Win

\*\* Did you see the match last night? Bills FTW!

**NVM** – Nevermind

\*\* NVM about grabbing the chips, I found some at home!

**OOTD** – Outfit of the Day

\*\* What’s your OOTD? I don’t know which shoes to wear!

**FWIW** – For What It’s Worth

\*\* FWIW, I think it’s going to rain anyway.