

Features of your text messages

Here are the names for some of the features you might have noticed. For each one put in your own examples from the texts you sent each other and add any more that you often use.

Emoticons (graphic symbols) e.g. the smiley face	
Acronyms – the initial letters pronounced as a single word e.g. AIDS	
Initialisms – the initial letters spelled out e.g. OMG for Oh my God!	
Contractions (omitted letters) e.g. txt	
Logograms (single letters or numbers) e.g. 2morrow, b for be	
Ellipsis (omitted parts of a sentence) e.g. Coming?	
Unusual spelling e.g. wiv for with	
Merged words e.g. seeya	
Repeated letters for emphasis e.g. Hellllo	
Upper case or lower case for tone of voice e.g. NO WAY	
Punctuation left out or put in, or repeated for effect e.g. Don't be late!!!	
Speech-like interjections e.g. ha ha	