



Text Speak Decoded

Today's youth have developed or refined a whole new vocabulary for communicating with each other over social media and through text messages. Here is a lists together with the translation:

420 — Marijuana reference

11:11 — Popular time to make a wish

ASB — As balls. Example: I'm high asb.

AF — As f**k

ASL — Age/sex/location

Bae — Significant other or crush

Basic — Someone who is viewed as boring or a conforming person

Beat cake — A sexual term that refers to engaging in rough sex

Bet — A response indicating agreement. Example: "Wanna go to the store?" "Bet."

Bih — Short form of b*tch

BMS — Breaks my scale; used to rate somebody physically

BTS — A Korean boy band popular with tweens and teens

Cappin' — Lying

Coney — Slang for "penis"

Cringe — Causing feelings of embarrassment or awkwardness

CYA — "Cover your ass" or "see ya"

Dabbing — Refers to concentrated doses of cannabis; also a dance craze

Ded — Used when something is really funny or embarrassing. Example: OMG that meme has me ded!

Dongle — Slang for "penis"

Dope — A way to describe something as cool or awesome

DTF — Down to f*ck



Fam — Friends

GOAT — Greatest of all time

GTG — Got to go

Gucci — Something good or cool

HEAF — An acronym for “High Expectations Asian Father”

Hulk — A 2mg generic benzodiazepine bar, which is green

Hundo P — One hundred percent

ILY — I love you

IRL — In real life

ISO — In search of

FBOI — F**k boy; a guy just looking for sex

FINSTA — Fake Instagram account

FOMO — Fear of missing out

FWB — Friends with benefits

Hentai — Graphic anime pornography

High key — 1. Very interested in 2. Actively spreading information

IHOPness — Spell out I-H-O-P, then say ‘ness.’ The resulting sentence sounds like “I ate your penis.” For those that remember, this is similar to the PEN15 CLUB phrase that kids of previous generations would scribble on hands.

JK — Just kidding

Juul — Type of e-cigarette that is small and discreet; ‘pods’ are used for smoking

KMS — Kill myself

KYS — Kill yourself

Lit/Turnt/Turnt Up — Something that’s active or popular, can also refer to being stoned or drunk

LMAO — Laughing my ass off

LMP — 1. A term that means “like my pic” or 2. Sometimes stands for “lick my p***y”



LOL — Laugh out loud

Low key — 1. Somewhat interested in 2. Keeping information secret

Netflix and chill — Getting together and hooking up

NP — No problem

OKURRR — Variation of “OKAY” made popular by rapper Cardi B who defines it as something that is said to affirm when someone is being put in their place

OMFG — Oh my f**king god

PMOYS — Acronym that stands for “put me on your Snapchat”

ROTFLMAO — Rolling on the floor laughing my ass off

Salty — To be bitter or cranky about something

School Bus — A 2mg Xanax bar, which is yellow

SCP — An acronym for the motto of the SCP Foundation (a web-based platform for collaborative fiction), “Secure, Contain, Protect”

SH — Sh** happens

Shading — Where teens gossip about another party without naming them; also “throw shade” means to talk about someone

Ship — Short for “relationship”; also used as a verb to indicate a desire to see two people together. Ex.: I ship Taylor and Jamie.

Skeet — To ejaculate

Smash — Means to have casual sex

SMDH — Shaking my damn head

SMH — “Shaking my head,” meaning “I don’t believe it” or “that’s so dumb”

Snack — Describes an attractive person

Snapstreak — Created when friends send snaps every day, creating a streak

Snatched — On point, very good, or well styled

Spam — A fake social media account



Stan — An overzealous or obsessive fan of a particular celebrity

STFU — Short for “shut the f**k up,” can be used as an expression of disbelief or to cyberbully

SUFF — An acronym meaning “Shut up, f**k face”

Swoop — To be picked up in an automobile

TBH — To be honest

TDTM — Talk dirty to me

Tea — Gossip or interesting news shared between friends

Thicc — Looking good no matter one’s size or shape

TF — The f**k, as in “who TF you think are?”

Thirsty — Desperate for attention, usually sexual attention

Thot — Stands for “that ho over there” and is often used instead of “slut”

Woke — Socially or politically conscious

WTF — What the f**k?

WUF — Where you from?

WYA — Where you at?

WYD — What you doing?

YEET — A very strong word for yes