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The other day, in the middle of an instant message chat, a friend of mine shot me a note that simply said, "brb." I had no idea what he meant. I pondered hard on the "brb" and thought perhaps it might mean "be right back." But since he never came back, I couldn't be sure. Not until I stumbled upon www.netlingo.com. With a massive dictionary of shorthand (and even a how-to section for those annoying smileys), you'll know what to do if someone tells you to GYPO (get your pants off.) Speaking of which, there is a top 20 list for acronyms every parent should know, as well as common tech terms, and 20 terms for newbies.

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