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More than 82 million people communicate regularly via text message, and with limits imposed on the length of texts, these messages can rely heavily on shorthand. So what does it all mean? NetLingo.com founder Erin Jansen offers some basic translation.

- 143: I Love You
- · 2moro: Tomorrow
- · 2nite: Tonight
- · 411: Information
- · B4N: Bye for Now
- . BITD: Back in the Day
- · BFF: Best Friends Forever
- . BRB: Be Right Back
- · BTW: By the Way
- FTF: Face-to-Face
- · IRL: In Real Life
- · JK: Just Kidding
- · NBD: No Big Deal
- · OMG: Oh My God
- · OT: Off Topic
- . POV: Point of View
- · RT: Real Time
- . TMI: Too Much Information
- . TTYL: Talk to You Later