



## Curious times

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### FYI

The next generation of slang has arrived, as teens are now creating new slang words based on the predictive text function on cell phones. For example, when you try to text the word "cool" the first word that comes up is "book"—so now book means cool. Likewise, your mum is now your nun, kiss is now lips and going down to the pub for a pint has been replaced by going to the sub for a shot. On a similar note, I found a website of texting shorthand at [netlingo.com/emailsh.cfm](http://netlingo.com/emailsh.cfm) where you can learn great new phrases to text such as 4Q (Fork You), WMPL (Wet My Pants Laughing), and SITCOMs (Single Income, Two Children, Oppressive Mortgage).