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Hot Site – NetLingo

Editor's Note: I am dedicating today's Hot Site to <u>April Andrews</u> as she is the one that found this little gem. April actually has a knack for finding lots of good stuff, so be sure to follow her on Twitter.



Internet lingo and "text message

speak" can get confusing. There are so many acronyms for everything that half of the time it feels as if you are reading the letters found in a bowl of alphabet soup rather than reading valuable information. Several websites do have acronym dictionaries, but none are as fully comprehensive as the one put together by today's **Hot Site** – **Net Lingo**.

Quote NetLingo: "NetLingo.com has thousands of definitions that explain the online world of business, technology, and communication, including the largest collection of Internet acronyms and text message shorthand We entertain and educate students, teachers, parents, gamers, designers, techies, bloggers, journalists, and industry professionals worldwide. NetLingo has been the leading Internet dictionary since 1994 helping millions of people understand this new jargon, and now we've re-launched a new and improved website to keep you in the know."

There are several things I like about this site.

For one, it is amazingly well organized. You can <u>search by letter</u> or by topic and if you choose by letter, then a side bar will pop up on your left keeping all choices of that letter visible while you surf for your definition. I like that feature a lot! It just makes the site very user friendly.

Next, I love the <u>Top 50 section</u>. In the Top 50 section you will find selections of things like "Acronyms Every Parent Needs To Know" or "Popular Text Terms" or, my fave, "Newbie Terms". If you're confused about where to start when it comes to these thousands of definitions, go here first.

Next, I love the Word of The Day. It too comes in topics such as Jargon, Business, Technical, or Acronym. And you can subscribe to have any one of these topics sent to your email – kind of like those word of the day calenders that are so popular – only, a little more earth friendly.

And here's the one I really love, they have an <u>iPhone App!</u> Screenshots of the app are available on the website as well as further information. The app is also reasonably priced at .99 cents and, should you ever need it, there is tech support for your app available through the NetLingo website.

So, if there is something that has been bugging you or DYC (driving you crazy) – be sure to CTP (*click the pic*) and check out this website!

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