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What does 4kt mean in text

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"Full text" usually refers the full text of an article being provided up to a certain date. "Embargoed" files only allow full text after a certain date set by the publisher. Image: Manuel Breva Colmeiro/Moment/gettyimages Nowadays, it's common to see initialism like BFF, ICYMI, CU, TBH, and others on Facebook, Twitter, and in text messaging. While not everyone is 100 percent sure what a specific abbreviations stands for, most are common enough that if you see the abbreviation once, you will see it again in another forum. The abbreviations we use in texting and on the internet aren't as new as they may seem. Some like ASAP and FYI predate the internet by decades. Others were created during the early days of the internet. Many of these abbreviations were created either before the internet went mainstream or as it was gaining popularity. In 1989, the World Wide Web officially launched. However, there were already people connect to early versions in the 1980s. At the time, people communicated through Usenet. It has been years since Usenet has been the primary way people communicate on the internet, yet its legacy lives on. Terms and abbreviations created on those message boards remain in common usage. If you've ever been on the internet, you've run into an FAQ, a flame war, or received a piece of spam. You've also witnessed people talking about things that happened IRL. Do you spend a significant amount of time on the internet? Are you familiar with its lingo? See how much you know with this quiz! 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Other expressions that express laughing and humor include ROFLMAO ("rolling on floor, laughing my a** off") and LOL ("laughing out loud"). Like most internet jargon, the expression is not suitable for most business dealings. PMSL is best used in personal texting, email, online chatting, or in particular circumstances where a business acquaintance has become a friend. Both uppercase and lowercase versions of PMSL (pmsl) mean the same thing and are perfectly acceptable. When texting or communicating online, be careful not to type entire sentences in uppercase, as this conveys shouting and is considered rude. (User 1) OMG! You guys just made me spit coffee all over my keyboard and monitor! (User 2) ROFL @ Jim! Bwahahahaha! (User 3) PMSL! Never drink anything when Greg is telling stories about his camping trips! (User 1) Haha! I've got a good one. ROFL! (User 2) What? (User 1) Did you hear about the new corduroy pillows? They're making headlines everywhere! (User 2) PMSL! BWAHAHA PMSL is British in origin. There are instances of the PMSL acronym being used online since the year 2000. The PMSL expression gained popularity with European soccer fan sites as footballers would recount comedic incidents at their football matches, or when the opposing team would suffer some kind of indignity or funny defeat. The PMSL expression, like many other online expressions and web lingo, is part of online conversation culture and is a way to build cultural identity through language and playful conversation. ROFL (Rolling on Floor Laughing) ROFLMAO (Rolling on Floor Laughing My A** Off) ROFLCOPTER (Rolling on Floor Laughing, Turning Like a Helicopter) LULZ (variation of Laughing Out Loud) LOL (Laughing Out Loud) LMAO (Laughing My A** Off) LULZ (Laughing Out Loud variant) BWAHAHA (Boisterous laughter) MWAHAHA (Mimicking vigorous laughter) Generally, you would use PMSL if you think your readers are primarily British, and you'd use ROFL or some other variant for American readers. Capitalization is a non-concern when using text abbreviations and chat jargon. Use all uppercase (PMSL) or all lowercase (pmsl) letters, and the meaning is identical. Proper punctuation is similarly a non-concern with most text message abbreviations. For example, the acronym for "too long, didn't read" can be TL;DR or TLDR. Both are acceptable. Never use periods (dots) between your acronym letters; it would defeat the purpose of being a shortcut. For example, ROFL would never be spelled R.O.F.L., and TTYL ("talk to you later") would never be T.T.Y.L. When tempted to use jargon in messages, evaluate who your audience is, if the context is informal or professional, and then use good judgment. If you know someone well and it is a personal and informal communication, then absolutely use abbreviations. On the flip side, if you are just starting a friendship or professional relationship, avoid abbreviations until you've developed a relationship rapport. If messaging in a professional context with someone at work, or with a customer or vendor outside your company, avoid abbreviations altogether. Spelling out full words shows professionalism and courtesy. It is much smarter to err on the side of being too professional at first, and then relax your communication over time organically. 1 5 Times the Olympic Games Were Canceled (& 6 Times They Almost Were) 2 What Color Shirt Goes With Khaki Pants? 3 8-Bit Oinkers: These Tech-Savvy Pigs Are Mastering Video Games 4 Need a Job During the Pandemic? These Companies Are Hiring Now 5 What Is Kung Bo Chicken? 1 What Are the Symbols Associated With the Seven Deadly Sins? 2 How Many Stamps Do I Need to Send a Letter to Canada? 3 What Is a High School Degree Called? 4 Murder Hornets Have Landed in the U.S. — Should We Be Worried? 5 What Is a Four-Function Calculator? Original Meaning of 'SOS' Originally used as an acronym for Morse code from 1910, "SOS" was intended to be a distress signal. Consisting of three long dashes, three short dashes and then another three long dashes, this signal was often used over radio airwaves. The acronym "SOS" was officially recognized over other signals that were opted for included "C.Q.D." meaning "come quickly, distress" or "CQ," meaning "come quickly." The verbal equivalent of the acronym "SOS" is mayday. Many believe that the original "SOS" distress signal stood for "Save Our Ship" or "Save Our Souls." The truth is that it was never meant to be used as an acronym. The Morse Code pattern was easier for operators of airwave radios to send these signals when working under stressful situations. This internationally recognized code is still used today. SMS Language Explained SMS language or short message service is a type of communication used for sending text messages or other communication via the internet. This is an adaption to instant messaging used when the internet and cell phones were first introduced. Short message service (SMS) language acronyms are used together to represent common words or phrases. The use of the SMS language saves time and sometimes serves as coding for secretive exchanges of conversation. Hindering Language Skills Educators have noticed that since SMS language has become popular, school-age children have begun having difficulty in the basic concepts of reading and writing skills. The lack of ability to grasp proper language skills is having an effect in other areas for students, such as standardized test-taking and writing simple essays for their course work. Even college level students are showing weaknesses in this area. While SMS language, more commonly known as "textese," follows urban meanings and understanding, it is interfering with the intended use of common language arts. As the use of the messaging systems through cell phones and the internet increase in popularity, the SMS language is expanding as well. This is causing serious communication gaps between the different generations of people. Other Common SMS Acronyms The SMS language is filled with acronyms used for communication. Among some of the more common SMS acronyms include the following: LOL meaning "Laugh out loud" EOM meaning "End of message" EOD meaning "End of discussion" HF meaning "Have fun" HTH meaning "Hope this helps" TTYL meaning "Talk to you later" TYT meaning "Take your time" W00t meaning "Whoomp, there it is" or "Hooray" B4 meaning "Before" CUL8r meaning "See you later" ROFL means "Rolling on the floor laughing" Original Meaning of 'SOS' Originally used as an acronym for Morse code from 1910, "SOS" was intended to be a distress signal. Consisting of three long dashes, three short dashes and then another three long dashes, this signal was often used over radio airwaves. The acronym "SOS" was officially recognized over other signals that were opted for included "C.Q.D." meaning "come quickly, distress" or "CQ," meaning "come quickly." The verbal equivalent of the acronym "SOS" is mayday. 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