

FLIRTMOJI

DECODING SEXTING SLANG AND SYMBOLS



Deciphering emojis can be a head scratcher. Not knowing the true meaning behind emoji conversations can leave you in the dark. Take a look at the sneaky (and creative) ways teens are using acronyms, slang, and symbols to sext.

WHAT ARE EMOJIS?

Shigetaka Kurita, the "Father of Emoji", created emoji as a way to add more texture and nuance to phone-based text.¹



The word "emoji" is Japanese, comprised of a "picture" (e) and a "character" (moji)²

Emojis and emoticons are not the same thing (one is a graphic representation, the other uses keyboard characters to create an image)



VS



CLASSIC FLIRT



The go-to for letting their crush know they're interested.

COMPLIMENTS

Seen as praise in reaction to a good picture. They're "looking 100" or "fire" mean they're sexy.



PEER PRESSURE



A response or request for suggestive comments or pictures, indicating a desire for more.

RISKY BUSINESS

Some playful faces for when they are suggesting more than what's being said.



FEELING FABULOUS



When they're tooting their own horn on how they look or feel.

SEXUAL ACTS

Suggestive diagrams for sexual acts they want to perform.



PHALLIC SYMBOLS



Represents the male genitalia.

FEMALE INNUENDOS

Represents the female genitalia.



DRUG REFERENCE



The maple leaf is used in place of a marijuana leaf and the dash burst means smoking.

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