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Let's firstly have a look at what we mean by [Internet slang](#), and where it was first used, and then follow it up with more about "LOL", including its origin, differing meanings and even some variations that you might like to use instead.



So, as the name suggests internet slang arose on the early internet, whereby people developed a quicker method to communicate in early commercial networks such as GEnie. This will be discussed later on, but suffice to say it was the popularity of sites such as Twitter and Facebook that really allowed it to develop its own culture and style. So whilst the first words came from the internet, now new internet slang can get its origins in popular culture, such as songs or television. What's more Internet Slang can be adopted much quicker as the ability for it to go viral via Twitter and Facebook is so much easier

A little more about LOL

According to a guy called Wayne Pearson the first use of "LOL" was made by him in the early 1980's. He has since commented publicly on the claim stating "A friend of mine who went by Sprout (and I believe he still does) had said something so funny in the teleconference room that I found myself truly laughing out loud, echoing off the walls of my kitchen. That's when "LOL" was first used." We are unable to independently verify this claim, but we can find no counter claim or dispute to this one.

Perhaps we will never know the true origin of many of these slang words, but what is clear, is that the evolution of needing a shorter way to communicate into its own culture once the rise of Twitter and Facebook enabled things to go viral has meant that these internet slang words are here to stay. In fact, in March 2011, **LOL** even attained an entry in the Oxford English Dictionary.

Check out these examples of when LOL is used

Whilst the strict definition of LOL is "Laughing out Loud" or "Laugh Out Loud", it is increasingly being used in the following situation:

1. I am not really that interested in what you are saying, so I will just say LOL as I am so used to saying it.
2. I shall say **LOL** even though your joke, or what you said wasn't even funny, just to make you feel better
3. I have nothing to add to the conversation so will just say LOL as filler

Examples of LOL usage:

Person 1: Did you see that TV episode last night. That was so funny.

Person 2: Yeh **LOL**.

Person 1: My best friend just died yesterday

Person 2: lol

Similar Internet Slang words to LOL

As mentioned previously, many internet slang words are adapted with more complex variations. Some of those variations are below:

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1. [YOLO – You Only Live Once](#)
2. [MLB - Major League Baseball](#)
3. [GTM - Giggling To Myself](#)
4. [RNG - Random Number Generator](#)
5. [IDHTT - I Don't Have The Time](#)
6. [HYH - Have You Heard](#)
7. [WBY - What \(A\) bout you?](#)
8. [CUS - Friend](#)
9. [ISA - Inshaa Allah \(Arabic\), OK](#)
10. [EW - Exclamation of disgust](#)

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Lol meaning

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