

Mrs. Swansbrough's Reading Tips for Parents January 2008

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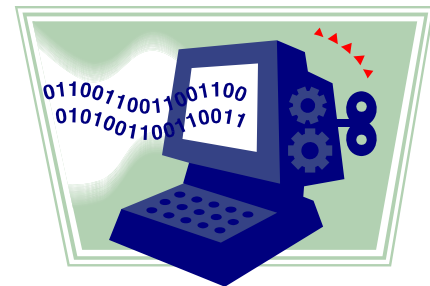
Can You Crack the Code?

Your teen can! That's because teens spend more time online than the average net user, as much as 11 to 15 hours per week. Much of that time is social networking.

Being able to **Read Between The Lines** to text-message is second nature to your teen. It's a quick, fun way to read and communicate, and most teens are aware that text messages are not the language and vocabulary of the classroom -- yet.

Test your knowledge by matching some commonly used text terms and definitions:

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| 1—BRB | a- Later |
| 2—BCNU | b-Parent Alert |
| 3—CD9 | c- Keep Parents Clueless |
| 4—DBEYR | d- Very Big Grin |
| 5—IMHO | e- Oh, I See |
| 6—IRL | f- Still in the Dark |
| 7—KPC | g- Will You Call Me? |
| 8—L8R | h- Be Right Back |
| 9—P911 | i- In Real Life |
| 10- OIC | j- In My Humble Opinion |
| 11—PAL | k- Parents Are Around |
| 12—SITD | l- Be Seeing You |
| 13—WYCM | m- Parents Are Listening |
| 14—VBG | n- Don't Believe Everything You Read |



KEY: 1-h, 2-l, 3-k, 4-n, 5-j, 6-i, 7-c, 8-a, 9-b, 10-e, 11-m, 12-f, 13-g, 14-d