Internet Symbols Frequently Seen on HomeschoolChristian.com

@@@@@@	Water balloons thrown at you!
:-)	Smile, grin, happy face, way to let someone know that it is a positive statement
;-)	Winkthere are many variations of this "emoticon"
8-)	Smile from someone with glasses
:-(Frown
:-O	Amazement
:P	Sticking out my tongue at you
:-Q	Nausea, disgust
AWOA, ANWOA	A World of Adventure, A New World of Adventure by Learning Adventures.
AFK	Away From Keyboard (in a chat)
BBS	Bulletin Board, Message Board
BF	Beautiful Feet curriculum
BJU	Bob Jones University Press
BRB	Be right back (in a chat)
BTDT	Been There Done That (sometimes "Bought the T-Shirt" follows this)
BTW	By the Way
CGC	Considering God's Creation: A science program for elementary students.
CLAS	Christian Liberty Academy: A full service curriculum.

СМ	Charlotte Mason Method of Homeschooling
CUL, CUL8R	See You Later
dd, dh, ds, dc	Dear Daughter, Dear Husband, Dear Son, Dear Child/children
DYOCC	Designing Your Own Classical Curriculum by Laura Berquist. A book that suggests a framework for classical education at home.
FAQ	Frequently Asked Questions
FAR	Far Above Rubies Unit Study
FIAR	Five in a Row Unit Study
FIL	Father-in-law
Forking, ¥	A practical joke, the Midwest version of "TP'ing" a house. Instead of decorating a house with toilet paper, plastic forks are planted in the yard. To create the matching symbol, hold down the alt key and type the number 165 at the same time. ¥
FS	For Sale
FWIW	For What It's Worth
FYI	For Your Information
g, G, <g>, BG,VBG</g>	Grin, Big Grin, Very Big Grin
GMTA	Great Minds Think Alike
hs, HS, hs'ing, hs'ed	homeschool, homeschooling, homeschooled
HTH	Hope That Helps
IMO, IMHO, JMHO	In My (Humble) Opinion, Just My Humble Opinion
ISO	In Search Of

ISP	Internet Service Provider (how you get on-line)
ISP	Independent Study Program: a program many folks use to help direct their homeschooling (also known as an Umbrella School)
ITA	I totally agree
JK	Just Kidding
KWIM	Know What I Mean
LLATL	Learning Language Arts Through Literature
LOL	Laughing out loud
MCP	Modern Curriculum Press-math, phonics
MIL	Mother-in-law
MOTH	Managers of their Homes, home management program, helping homeschooling families to get control of their time and form a workable routine
MUS	Math-U-See Math Program
MFW	My Father's World curriculum
NAK	Nursing At Keyboard
nm, nt, NM, NT	"no text/no message" commonly put a the end of the subject on a message so that folks will know that the entire message is contained in the subject line, and that there is no need to open that message.
obo, OBO	Or Best Offer (in a classified ad board situation)
OIC	Oh, I See!
One-List	E-mail distributions lists serving various interests.

ОТОН	On The Other Hand
PG	Power-Glide Foreign Language Program
PLL	Primary Language Lessons
POV	Point of View
PUO, PNEU	Parent's Union On-line
ppd	Postage Paid
ROTFLOL (WTIME) (WMP)	Rolling on the floor, laughing out loud (With Tears In My Eyes) (Wet My Pants)
R&S	Rod & Staff, a popular curriculum
s, <s></s>	Smile
sm	See message
sp?, (sp?)	"Spelling?" Typed when someone is unsure of the spelling of a word but too busy to look it up!
SSRW	Sing, Spell, Read and Write language program
SOTW	Story of the World history program
TIA	Thanks in Advance
TIC	Tongue In Cheek
TOG	Tapestry of Grace curriculum
TTFN	Ta Ta For Now
TTSP	This Too Shall Pass
TYVM	Thank You Very Much
URL	Universal Resource Locator
VWP, WP	Very Well Put, Well Put
WBS	Write Back Soon
WS	Writing Strands Writing Program
WTB	Wanted to Buy

WTG	Way To Go
WTM, TWTM	The Well-Trained Mind, book by Susan Wise Bauer and Jesse Wise promoting one viewpoint of Classical Education.
WYSIWYG	What You See Is What You Get
YAAG	You Are A Genius
YWAM	Youth With a Mission, missionary group, and publisher of great missionary biographies