

TABLE 4.3**Laughing Online around the World**

Language/Area	Text	Meaning
Thai	55555	the Thai word for 5 sounds like “ha,” so 555 sounds like “hahaha”
Japanese	www	<i>warai</i> = laughing
French	mdr	<i>mort de rire</i> = dying of laughter
Spanish	jajaja	the “j” sounds like an “h,” so jajaja sounds like “hahaha”
Korean	kkkkk	<i>keukeukeu</i> = laughing
Swedish	asg	<i>asgarv</i> = intense laughter
Nigeria	LWKMD	“laugh wan kill me dead”
Brazilian Portuguese	rsrsrs	<i>risos</i> = laughter

Sources: Garber 2012; McCann and Brandom 2012