Emoticons
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Basic faces:

:-) = smile   :-D = laughing smile
:-* = kiss   ;-) = wink
:-X = my lips are sealed   :-P = blah [slip of the tongue]
:-| = indifferent   :-(= frown
:'(= crying   :-o = oh!
0:-) = angel   >:-> = devil
:-> = biting sarcastic smile   >;-> = devilish wink

In addition to faces, the following symbols express emotions
and/or actions:

\\//_   = Vulcan salute
\o/   = Praise the Lord, pray, whatever...
->>>>--   = Feather = just teasing, tickling
()   = Cuddling (example: ((((John)))) John is being sent cuddles by
            the user.)
{}   = Hug (example: {{{Jane}}} Jane is being sent hugs by the user.)
<>   = Making Love
><   = Opposite of above - not to be used in polite company
@-`-,--   = A rose for you (this one even has thorns!)...

Shorthand (or abbreviations) for commonly used expressions:

AFK   = away from keyboard   J/K   = Just Kidding
BAK   = back at keyboard   LOL   = Laughing Out Loud
BBL   = Be Back Later   NIFOC   = Nude In Front Of Computer
CUL8er = See you Later   OIC   = Oh I See
BRB   = be right back   PU   = That Stinks!
BTW   = By The Way...
ROTFL = Rolling On The Floor Laughing
DITYID = Did I Tell You I'm Distressed?
GMTA   = Great Minds Think Alike
GTRM   = Going To Read Mail
SOL   = You're Out of Luck (or Smiling Out Loud)
Txs   = Thanks or Texas
BFD   = Big Deal! I'm not impressed...
WGFF? = Who Gives A Flying Flood? (a different way of saying "I don't care")

Asap   = As soon as possible
Afaik = As far as I know
TQ   = Thank you
Will SPK 2U = Will speak to you
L8r   = Later
FYI   = For your information
2B^2B = To be or not to be

Lots of these smilies can be typed without noses for midget smilies:

:)   = Midget smiley   :}   = Sheepish smiley
:> = Impish smiley   :(= Sad
:@   = look at my tonsils!   :{   = pout
:D   = Laughter   :[= Real Downer
:I   = Hmmm...   :<   = disappointed

:O   = Yelling   :,(= Crying
:C   = jutting lower lip pout |I   = Asleep
:Q   = shouting with a cold sore |^o = Snoring
[]   = Hugs and ...   :*   = Kisses
:]   = Gleep...friendly midget smiley who'll gladly be your friend.
=) and 8)   = Variations on the above theme

Plus, you can offer someone a drink:

|_|}   = cup of coffee (or other beverage)
>-I   = martini glass
_}]   = beer mug   ]-| = champagne glass
)-I   = wine glass   }-I   = margarita glass

Animals:

:V   = woodpecker
)   = Cheshire cat
3:-o   = cow
~~~~8} = snake
8:]   = a gorilla
8)   = a frog
B)   = a frog who is wearing sunglasses
8P   = a bullfrog and it's mating season
8b   = ditto
|)   = a salamander
:8)   = a pig
3:-o   = a cow
:3-<   = a dog
pp#   = a cow
pq`#'   = a bull

Famous people faces:

+O:-)   = the Pope
C=:-)   = the Galloping Gourmet
=):-)   = Uncle Sam
=|:-)   = Abe Lincoln
4:-)   = George Washington
5:-)   = Elvis Presley
7:-)   = Fred Flintstone
        = Helen Keller
:/7)   = Cyrano de Bergerac
>:*)   = Bozo the Clown
#:o+=   = Betty Boop
_:^)   = an Indian
>>-O-> = Gen. Custer
8(:-)   = Walt Disney
7:^)   = Ronald Reagan

If the medium supports Apple option-key characters, you can use these:

:-™   = user is a lawyer
:-£   = English banker
:-¢   = penny pincher
:-∞   = tongue-tied
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:-§   = one heck of a cold sore!
:-¶   = licking upper lip in anticipation or satisfaction
:-•   = whoa!
:-—   = ooh!
:-≠   = mouth is wired shut!
:-«   = debonair moustache
:-¿   = confused in Spanish
:-≈   = hare lip
:-◊   = open-mouthed kiss
:-∑   = monster frown
:-©   = unhappy because of double chin
:-Δ   = talking sideways
:-~)   = runny nose
:-∫   = wishy washy smile
:-√   = eck!
:-Œ   = vampire with thick upper lip

Here are tons more faces:

(-:   = User is left handed
%-)   = Been staring at green screen for 15 hours straight
:*)   = Drunk (hiccup!)
[:]   = User is a robot
8-)   = User is wearing sunglasses
B:-)   = Sunglasses on head
::-)   = User wears normal glasses
B-)   = User wears horn-rimmed glasses
8:-)   = User is a little girl
:-{)   = User has a mustache
:-{}   = User wears lipstick
{:-)   = User wears a toupee
}:-(= Toupee in an updraft
:-[= User is a Vampire
:-E   = Bucktoothed vampire
:-F   = Bucktoothed vampire with one tooth missing
:-7   = User just made a wry statement
:-*   = User just ate something sour
:-)~   = User drools
:-~)   = User has a cold
:'-(= User is crying
:'-)   = User is so happy, s/he is crying
:-@   = User is screaming
:-#   = User wears braces
:^)   = User has a broken nose
:v)   = User has a broken nose, but it’s the other way
:_)   = User’s nose is sliding off of his face
:<)   = User is from an Ivy League School
:-&   = User is tongue tied.
=:-)   = User is a hosehead
-:-)   = User is a punk rocker
-:-(= (real punk rockers don’t smile)
:=)   = User has two noses
+-:-) = User is the Pope or holds some other religious office
`:-)   = User shaved one of his eyebrows off this morning
,:-)   = Same thing...other side
|-I   = User is asleep
|-O   = User is yawning/snoring
:-Q   = User is a smoker
:-?   = User smokes a pipe
O-)   = Megaton Man On Patrol! (or else, user is a scuba diver)
O :-) = User is an angel (at heart, at least)
:-P   = Nyahhhh!

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:-S    = User just made an incoherent statement
:-D    = User is laughing (at you!)
:-C    = User is really bummed
:-/    = User is sceptical
C=:-)  = User is a chef
@=     = User is pro-nuclear war
*<:-) = User is wearing a Santa Claus Hat
:-o    = Uh oh!
(8-o   = It's Mr. Bill!
*:o)   = And Bozo the Clown!
3:]    = Pet smiley
3:[    = Mean Pet smiley
d8=    = Your pet beaver is wearing goggles and a hard hat.
=:H    = What a cute rabbit!
E-:-)  = User is a Ham radio operator
:-9    = User is licking his/her lips
%-6    = User is brain-dead
[:-)   = User is wearing a walkman
(:I    = User is an egghead
<:-I  = User is a dunce
K:P    = User is a little kid with a propeller beenie
@:-)   = User is wearing a turban
:-0    = No Yelling!  (Quiet Lab)
:-:    = Mutant Smiley
       = The invisible smiley
.-)    = User only has one eye
,-)    = Ditto...but he's winking
X-(    = User just died
8 :-)  = User is a wizard
:-`    = smiley spitting out its chewing tobacco
:-1    = smiley bland face
:-!    = smiley bland face with a cold sore
:-#|   = smiley face with bushy mustache
:-$    = smiley face with it's mouth wired shut
:-%    = smiley banker
:-6    = smiley after eating something sour
:^)    = smiley with pointy nose (right)
:-7    = smiley after a wry statement
8-)    = smiley swimmer
:-*    = smiley after eating something bitter
:-&   = smiley which is tongue-tied
{:-)   = smiley with its hair parted in the middle
}:-)   = above in an updraft
:-a    = lefty smiley touching tongue to nose
:-s    = smiley after a BIZARRE comment
:-d    = lefty smiley razzing you
g-)    = smiley with ponce-nez glasses
:-j    = left smiling smiley
:-k    = beats me, looks like something, tho.
:-v    = talking head smiley
:-o    = smiley singing national anthem
:-p    = smiley sticking its tongue out (at you!)
0-)    = smiley cyclops (scuba diver?)
:-=)   = older smiley with mustache
:u)    = smiley with funny-looking left nose
:n)    = smiley with funny-looking right nose
:-q    = smiley trying to touch its tongue to its nose
=:-(   = frowning punk-rocker (real punk rockers don't smile)
=:-)   = smiley punk-rocker
       = smiley invisible man      (:-)   = smiley big-face
):-(   = unsmiley big-face         ):-)   =       "
)O-)   = scuba smiley big-face     :-e    = disappointed smiley
:-t    = cross smiley              :-i    = semi-smiley
:-[    = Un-smiley blockhead       +:-)   = smiley priest
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:-{    = variation on a theme      :-]    = smiley blockhead
:-}    = ditto                     :-0    = smiley orator
:-l    = y. a. s.                  :-:    = mutant smiley
:-\    = Undecided smiley          .-]    = one-eyed smiley
:-|    = "have an ordinary day"    :-?    = smiley smoking a pipe
;-)    = winking smiley            ,-}    = wry and winking
:-<    = real sad smiley           :<     = midget unsmiley
:->    = y.a.s.                    :v)    = left-pointing nose
:-z    = y.a.c.s.                  :-b    = left-pointing tongue
:-c    = bummed out smiley         :-/    = lefty undecided smiley
:-)    = ha ha                     |-P    = yecch
~~:-(  = net.flame                 :-}    = beard
|-)    = hee hee                   :-{    = mustache
O |-)  = net.religion              :-#    = braces
|-D    = ho ho                     :-X    = bow tie
:->    = hey hey                    :-Q   = smoker
8 :-I  = net.unix-wizards          <:I    = dunce
:-(    = boo hoo                   (:I    = egghead
X-(    = net.suicide               @:I    = turban
:-I    = hmm                       8-)    = glasses
E-:-I  = net.ham-radio             B-)    = horn-rims
:-O    = Uh oh                    8:-)    = glasses on forehead
>:-I   = net.startrek             3:o[    = net.pets
>:-< = mad                          :-    = Male
:-(    = Drama                       >-   = Female
:-)    = Comedy                    |-O=    = Birth
:-o    = Surprise                    8-#  = Death
8-|    = Suspense                     8    = Infinity
:-8(   = condescending stare
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}:^#}) = mega-smiley: updrafted bushy-mustached pointy-nosed smiley with a double-chin.

C=}>;*{))   = Ultra-Mega-Smiley...
A drunk, devilish chef with a toupee in an updraft, a mustache, and a double chin.

Smiley Faces collected by AFL TracyP:

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:-(*)     sick of recent net news and is about to barf
[:|]      a robot (or other appropriate AI project)
:>)       submitter has a big nose
:<|       submitter attends an Ivy League school
:%)%      submitter has acne
#-)       submitter partied all night
:-*       submitter just ate a sour pickle
:-'|      submitter has a cold
:-R       submitter has the flu
:-)'      submitter tends to drool
':-)      submitter accidentally shaved off one of his eyebrows this morning
0-)       submitter wearing scuba mask
P-)       getting fresh
|-)       falling asleep
.-)       submitter has one eye
:=)       submitter has two noses
:-D       submitter talks too much
:-{)      submitter has moustache
:-)}      submitter has goatee/beard
:-d~      submitter smokes heavily
Q:-)      a new grad
(-:       Australian
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M:-)   saluting
(: (=| submitter is going to be a goost for Halloween...
=:-H   submitter plays for NFL
(V)=| a pacman champion
M-),:X),:-M submitter sees no evil, hears no evil, speaks no evil
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C):-O   submitter is a barbershop quartet
>:-(is sick and tired of reading this nonsense
;^?   was punched out for submitting sexist article
|-O   is bored by the article that you submitted
*-)   was shot for the last posting
~~\8-O   needs to fix frayed cord on terminal
8-O   has taken too many nodoz to work on thesis
L:-)   just graduated
B-)-[< is wearing sunglasses and swimming trunk
:-#   has been punched in the mouth
R-)   has broken glasses
. .
| is lying down

|:-)   has heavy eyebrows
{:-)   has new hair style
{:-{)}   has new hair style, mustache and beard
(:-)   has no hair
:~)   has ugly nose (needs nose job)
:-E   has major dental problems
C:-)   has large brain capacity
|:-| is excessively rigid
:-G-   smokes cigarettes
:-p~   smokes heavily
\:-)   wears a french hat
$-)   is a yuppie

};^>   = devilish wink!