

This shows that text messaging is being widely used, which brings the next point of text messaging characteristics.

Subtopic 2

Text messaging has three characteristics according to Seth Meydan in his essay. "Texting also, according to linguists, has three characteristics: the rapid rate at which it creates generates neologisms, or new words, its "communicative efficiency," of ease of use, and its global pervasiveness -- that may make it a particularly effective agent for language change." The first characteristic that text messaging has is how you can create new words through texting. The second characteristic is how simple and easy it is to use. All you have to do is type it up on your phone or computer and send it. The third characteristic is how it's adaptable to language changes. You can change the letters to your language which makes it easier for people who are comfortable for those that use a specific language. As you can see, this supports the point of text messaging as a rapidly developing language because of its creativity, simplicity, and adaptability.

Subtopic 3

Text messaging is developing more and more everyday because it has produced its own vocabulary. ~~and now~~ New words are being developed everyday and that is how text messaging is developing. "As stated by Meydan, texting has produced its own vocabulary of acronyms, homonyms and abbreviations, things like LOL (laughing out loud) and CUL8R (see you later)