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that have, in their own context, become new English words. WYGOWM (will you go out with me). MTFBWF (may the force be with you). PU (this stinks). SOP (what's up)."  
This quote explains how text messaging is developing because homonyms, acronyms, and abbreviations are being created and used everyday. Another quote that supports the development of text messaging is "the realignment of spelling with sounds."

No more rough, trough, thought, through - just ruf, traf, that, thru. New conventions in spelling have emerged, like the use of a capital letter to denote a long vowel: this is EZE to ~~re~~ rEd." This quote also shows text messaging as a developing language because it is even creating new conventions. It isn't the proper conventions but it's a development in the text messaging language. This supports the point of how text messaging is a rapidly developing language.

In conclusion, in the essay "Texting Shorthand Acronyms Punctuation and May Have Lasting Impact" by Seth Mydans, he discusses the rapid development of text messaging language. I agree with the author's point because text messaging is being developed through it's world-wide usage, characteristics, and development through it's vocabulary. Text messaging is an important use today because it is how we communicate with one another. We may not use abbreviations and it's new conventions, but text messaging is a developing language where most people use it to communicate today.