

A to Z English



A to Z Quick Chat 52: Generation Z Slang

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00:00:00 Jack

Welcome to the A-Z English podcast. This is the podcast aimed at helping you improve your English, and today we have a special quick chat episode where we are going to actually social is going to share some millennial Gen. Z slang and.

00:00:20 Jack

Me Jack the Gen.

00:00:23 Jack

X guy is gonna try to guess what these terms mean.

00:00:28 Jack

I mean.

00:00:29 Jack

And so I'm a little bit worried here because I'm I'm pretty I'm pretty old, so I don't know if I'm going to understand these these words or not, but I'll do my best to to try to to guess what they might be.

00:00:44 Jack

And then of course social will will give me the answer at the end.

00:00:50 Jack

So social, why don't you kick us off here?

00:00:53 Xochitl

OK. Are you ready? Our first one is eat Y EE TE.

00:01:00 Jack

YET.

00:01:02 발표자

Yeet yeet.

00:01:05 Jack

Neat HM.

00:01:07 Xochitl

Do you think it's like a?

00:01:08 Xochitl

Verb or a noun?

00:01:09 Xochitl

We'll start you off there or like a adjective.

00:01:14 발표자

I mean, yeah, it.

00:01:15 Jack

Reminds you of the word yet.

00:01:17 Jack

Uh, eat?

00:01:18 Jack

What does yeet mean?

00:01:19 Jack

Eat, eat.

00:01:21 Xochitl

Well, what part of speech do?

00:01:23 Xochitl

You think it is first an adverb or verb, an adjective?

00:01:26 Xochitl

A noun?

00:01:27 Jack

Is yeet an adverb?

00:01:28 Xochitl

It's that clothes, clothes.

00:01:31 Jack

Yet OK, so it's.

00:01:32 Jack

It's not an adverb, is it?

00:01:33 Jack

An is.

00:01:34 Jack

It a verb.

00:01:35 Xochitl

Yes, it is a verb.

00:01:37 Jack

So it's a verb.

00:01:37 Jack

Oh, OK.

00:01:38 Jack

OK, so eat is a verb.

00:01:42 Jack

It's not an adverb, it's a verb.

00:01:43 Jack

So so.

00:01:45 Jack

That's that narrows it down to.

00:01:48 Jack

A lot of words, a lot of possibilities.

00:01:51 Jack

So I'm just.

00:01:52 Jack

I'm just thinking like it.

00:01:53 Jack

Reminds me of the I'm still I'm.

00:01:54 Jack

Still stuck on yet, but it has nothing to do with yet.

00:01:58 Xochitl

No, it has nothing.

00:01:59 Xochitl

To do with it.

00:01:59 Jack

Did you did you eat yet?

00:02:07 Jack

Did you eat dinner?

00:02:08 Xochitl

I don't know.

00:02:09 Jack

Nothing like that.

00:02:10 Jack

Right?

00:02:10 Jack

OK.

00:02:11 Xochitl

No, no cringy.

00:02:15 Jack

Oh, sorry.

00:02:16 Jack

OK, OK.

00:02:16 Jack

So it's not.

00:02:17 Jack

It's nothing to do with eating and nothing to do.

00:02:19 Jack

With yet OK.

00:02:21 Jack

Eat, eat.

00:02:25 Jack

What is yeet yeet?

00:02:28 Xochitl

You want me to use it in a sentence?

00:02:30 Jack

Yeah, yeah.

00:02:30 Jack

You use it in a sentence.

00:02:33 Xochitl

I needed the basketball into traffic.

00:02:38 Jack

You did the basketball into traffic.

00:02:41 Jack

Ohh, OK.

00:02:44 Jack

I needed so my my guess is that.

00:02:47 Jack

Yeet means like like the same as like to Chuck or throw or discard.

00:02:52 Xochitl

Yes, yes, yes. Like tuck.

00:02:54 Jack

Is that right?

00:02:56 Xochitl

Or throw it like forcefully.

00:02:58 Jack

To OK to throw it forcefully.

00:03:00 Jack

Yeah, like UM.

00:03:02 Jack

Like if I'm.

00:03:03 Jack

Playing basketball with my friends and I win and my friend is so angry and frustrated.

00:03:10 Jack

He eats the ball into the street.

00:03:15 Xochitl

Yeah, exactly.

00:03:16 Xochitl

Or people like take it up.

00:03:18 Xochitl

Further, and they're like man.

00:03:19 Xochitl

He heated that ball into the sun cause he was so mad, he.

00:03:23 Xochitl

Just like heated it.

00:03:23 Jack

He needed the ball into the sun because he was so mad.

00:03:26 Jack

Ah, you needed.

00:03:27 Xochitl

It was an extreme throw like sneak.

00:03:31 Jack

So can you eat a a person?

00:03:35 Xochitl

Yeah, you can eat a person.

00:03:37 Jack

So so let's say like if there's.

00:03:37 Xochitl

It's like.

00:03:39 Jack

A fight or something?

00:03:41 Jack

And then, uh, and then.

00:03:42 Jack

And and one person gets thrown into the ground.

00:03:45 Jack

You could say wow, he got yeeted.

00:03:48 Xochitl

Yeah, I he needed him into the ground.

00:03:51 Xochitl

Or like I heated that guy and sorry.

00:03:57 Jack

What is the what's the like?

00:03:59 Jack

What's the history of this word?

00:04:01 Jack

Like, what does what does it?

00:04:03 Xochitl

Either comes from a vine or a TikTok, which these are both apps for short form format videos, and it's a guy I think those are the two either one in world or it might have been a YouTube video, but it's a short format video and the guy is like holding a well I think and then he screams heat and like throws it.

00:04:24 Xochitl

So like something, someone screamed before they like shot something as hard as I could.

00:04:28 Xochitl

Like just Chuck in of this.

00:04:28 Jack

Right.

00:04:30 Jack

So he just made.

00:04:31 Jack

Up this word, he's like, eat.

00:04:33 Jack

And then and.

00:04:33 Jack

Then it it.

00:04:34 Jack

Caught on with the with the popular culture.

00:04:37 Jack

And and became like to eat something is to just Chuck it to throw it.

00:04:42 Jack

It's like eat it.

00:04:43 Jack

You heated that ball into the sun, OK.

00:04:47 Xochitl

Yes, that's correct.

00:04:49 Jack

OK.

00:04:49 Jack

OK.

00:04:50 Jack

You know, I'm I wonder if I've heard that before and just didn't have any idea.

00:04:55 Jack

Well, I I'm, I'm sure I've.

00:04:56 Jack

I've heard it before, but I I really had no idea.

00:04:59 Jack

Like you.

00:05:01 Jack

Yeah, I was complete.

00:05:02 Jack

Lee lost there for the first one, so.

00:05:05 Xochitl

I blew your mind.

00:05:07 Jack

My mind was yeeted.

00:05:09 Jack

Into the into space.

00:05:10 Xochitl

You wouldn't mind?

00:05:12 Xochitl

Yeah, the universe.

00:05:15 Jack

My mind was yeeted into the universe.

00:05:17 Jack

That's right.

00:05:19 Jack

I'm too old for this.

00:05:22 Xochitl

Do you want to hear a second one?

00:05:23 Jack

Yep, of course.

00:05:25 Xochitl

OK.

00:05:26 Xochitl

Our second one is glow up.

00:05:30 Xochitl

Blow up.

00:05:30 Jack

Blow up.

00:05:31 Jack

I I know this one.

00:05:33 Jack

Should I?

00:05:34 Jack

I'm gonna.

00:05:34 Jack

I'm gonna.

00:05:35 Jack

Gonna if I know.

00:05:35 Jack

I'm gonna.

00:05:36 Jack

I'm gonna.

00:05:37 Jack

I'm gonna be honest.

00:05:38 Jack

So I think I've heard.

00:05:40 Jack

I heard this before.

00:05:41 Jack

Like he really improved his appearance.

00:05:45 Jack

And is that?

00:05:46 Jack

Is that what glow up means?

00:05:49 Jack

So as he's gotten older?

00:05:49 Xochitl

Yes, that is.

00:05:51 Jack

He's gotten better looking and more attractive and and more in shape and.

00:05:56 Jack

Better style for for him, OK?

00:05:59 Xochitl

Yes, he grew up.

00:06:01 Xochitl

It's a verb.

00:06:01 Xochitl

So you can.

00:06:02 Jack

He blew up.

00:06:03 Xochitl

Yeah, he grew up BLE W blue.

00:06:03 Jack

Just saying, OK.

00:06:08 Xochitl

Blue up.

00:06:08 Jack

Now you can use it in.

00:06:09 Jack

The past it's a verb.

00:06:09 Xochitl

That's what he said.

00:06:10 Jack

OK, glow up.

00:06:11 Xochitl

And man, he had a glow up.

00:06:13 Jack

He had to.

00:06:14 Jack

Grow up.

00:06:15 Xochitl

Yeah, you're actually right.

00:06:17 Jack

No, do we do you use this do?

00:06:19 Jack

We use this for like.

00:06:21 발표자

Just from like high.

00:06:21 Jack

School to college.

00:06:22 Jack

You know how some people like when they're in high school?

00:06:24 Jack

They kind of dress like kids.

00:06:26 Jack

But then when they go to college, they really.

00:06:27 Jack

Get their style and.

00:06:28 Jack

They're they feel more comfortable.

00:06:30 Jack

In their skin.

00:06:31 Jack

So is that a glow up as well from like high school to college, or is it usually for like older people like?

00:06:38 Xochitl

No, it's for any age it's for.

00:06:39 Xochitl

Any age but.

00:06:40 Xochitl

It can.

00:06:40 Xochitl

It's not necessarily a high school college.

00:06:43 Xochitl

It can happen at any point, like middle school to high school or high school to high.

00:06:47 Xochitl

School or, you know from your 20s to your 40s, or you're 15 and you're still 15, but in a couple of months you really blew up.

00:06:56 Xochitl

Yeah, there was no age limit on it or time frame.

00:06:59 Xochitl

It just means you just started looking better.

00:07:03 Jack

What do you call a reverse glow up?

00:07:08 Jack

I think that's that's.

00:07:08 Xochitl

There's no I don't know.

00:07:09 Jack

What I'm working on 20s twenties to 40S was was a kind of a A, a reverse kind of a glow down.

00:07:16 Xochitl

Boil down.

00:07:18 Jack

There you go.

00:07:19 Jack

Glow down.

00:07:20 Xochitl

Yeah, I.

00:07:21 Jack

Blowing out.

00:07:23 Xochitl

And that's what I said. When when I turned 25.

00:07:27 Xochitl

I asked my sister is older than me.

00:07:29 Xochitl

Is it downhill from here because I started getting like acne?

00:07:34 Xochitl

Which I never had when I was a teenager.

00:07:36 Xochitl

That really annoyed me.

00:07:37 Xochitl

I was.

00:07:37 Xochitl

Like I don't have it right.

00:07:37 Jack

Yeah, 25, you're like.

00:07:38 발표자

Now anyway.

00:07:39 Xochitl

But but I didn't feel like a little while there, between 24 and 25, I started getting acne and I was really upset and I was like, is it all downhill from here AM?

00:07:50 Xochitl

I going down.

00:07:51 Xochitl

I never had acne as a teenager.

00:07:53 Xochitl

Why do I have it now?

00:07:55 Xochitl

My sister said it's second puberty, which is another slang thing, but it just means like as you get older and you kind of change.

00:08:02 Xochitl

And I said, is it all downhill from now?

00:08:04 Xochitl

And she said it really depends on you if it's going to be or.

00:08:08 Xochitl

Not so, yeah.

00:08:10 Jack

His lifestyle and things like that. Yeah, I would say I, I peaked at 23. That was my the height, you know that was.

00:08:20 Jack

My my, you.

00:08:21 Jack

Know there was no.

00:08:22 Jack

You know, I was really in English.

00:08:25 Jack

We say firing on all cylinders at that point, full full head of hair, everything everything was was looking bright and then slowly it was a glow down or a yeah, but it's never too late.

00:08:39 Jack

You know, it's never too late to to just, like, get it together.

00:08:43 Jack

And go to the gym, buy some new clothes.

00:08:47 Jack

Just, you know, a glow up is never.

00:08:48 Jack

It's never really.

00:08:49 Jack

Like impossible.

00:08:51 Jack

There's always the you can always.

00:08:53 Jack

It's it's kind of it's kind.

00:08:55 Jack

Of inspiring when you see somebody like.

00:08:58 Jack

I was thinking for glow up.

00:09:00 Jack

It's we have in in America we have the high school reunions.

00:09:05 Jack

And and then they you go back ten years later or 20 years later, and the person is really handsome or really beautiful, they say, oh, that's a quite a glow up from, you know, high school to now, you know.

00:09:19 Xochitl

And I think a lot of people are kind of glowing up later and later.

00:09:23 Xochitl

As opposed, I don't think I have like a a peak yet it just look different.

00:09:29 Xochitl

Kind of every different order, the same every year.

00:09:32 Xochitl

But I don't think I've hit like a peak.

00:09:33 Xochitl

I also, I mean, I'm still young, but I look younger than I am to most people.

00:09:39 Xochitl

So I think that kind of stops me from feeling like.

00:09:43 Xochitl

I've really changed at all.

00:09:45 Xochitl

But I will say that you can use glow up also for like personality or like your life or whatever.

00:09:53 Xochitl

And I would say 23 was also my happiest year, I think.

00:09:56 Xochitl

So far in.

00:09:57 Xochitl

Life. I was very happy at 23.

00:10:00 Xochitl

I did well in school I.

00:10:03 Xochitl

I was really happy in my I had like a boyfriend at the time and I was really happy with him at that time and.

00:10:11Xochitl

It was like a great year.

00:10:12Xochitl

It was just a really good year to.

00:10:13Xochitl

Be 23.

00:10:14Jack

Yeah, same for me. I was 23. Yeah, I was just young and fit. You like healthy? You're just super fit. And I was living in Los Angeles away, far from Minnesota, studying film. It was the best year.

00:10:32Jack

That's great. That's great. 23. Yeah, that's the 23. Is is fantastic. OK.

00:10:38Xochitl

I think they didn't study that showed that like 23 is one of the happiest years of your life. And I think it definitely was one of the happiest.

00:10:44Xochitl

Years of my life so far.

00:10:48Jack

You got one more for me.

00:10:49Jack

So we have.

00:10:50Jack

And glow up.

00:10:52Xochitl

Blow up.

00:10:52Xochitl

The third one is Stan.

00:10:56Jack

What is a stand? A stand? Sounds like an uncle uncle's name. My uncle's Stan Stan.

00:11:01Xochitl

No, it's uh, it's not an uncle name a a Stan.

00:11:06Xochitl

I'll use it in.

00:11:06Xochitl

His original context.

00:11:08Jack

OK.

00:11:09Xochitl

He was a huge M&M, Stan.

00:11:14 Jack

Oh, OK.

00:11:15 Jack

So is it the same?

00:11:16 Jack

As a fan, is it like a super fan?

00:11:19 Jack

A Super super fan.

00:11:19 Xochitl

Yeah, with the crazy obsessed fan.

00:11:22 Xochitl

But people use it now to, like, just say fan like a normal fan or like, a a big fan, a huge fan of something, but not like a crazy soccer fan, which was the original, the epitome of it.

00:11:34 Xochitl

The origin of it is an Eminem song about a guy that's like saying it.

00:11:40 Xochitl

He's like he writes this crazy.

00:11:42 Xochitl

Letter to Eminem.

00:11:43 Jack

Yeah, I know.

00:11:44 Xochitl

Saying in what?

00:11:45 Jack

I know that song.

00:11:47 Jack

With zaido.

00:11:47 Xochitl

Yes, yes.

00:11:50 Xochitl

And he signs it, Stan.

00:11:52 Jack

Yes, that's right, Stan is the is the writer of the letter that he's reading.

00:11:59 Jack

In that in the in that song, yeah.

00:12:02 Xochitl

Yeah, I actually don't know this song, so it's funny.

00:12:05 Jack

This song is kind of old.

00:12:06Jack

I know that song like I that song is 20 years old.

00:12:12Jack

It looks like.

00:12:13Jack

You got me this time. I got one of them, but you stumped me on on 2/2 of them so.

00:12:24Jack

Uh, not bad. One out of three. I'll take it. I'll take 33%. So nice job next time.

00:12:31Jack

I'm going to find some generations X slang and see if I can.

00:12:38Jack

If I can test you with that.

00:12:40Jack

So thanks a lot for doing this.

00:12:44Xochitl

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00:12:52Xochitl

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00:13:05Jack

Time. Bye bye.