

Message Passing Cheat Sheet

Introductory Prowords

Initial or Initials

Message says: from the PIO
You say: from the, initials papa india oscar

Figure or Figures

Message says: Call 911
You say: call, figures niner one one

Symbols

Symbol	You say
.	“period” - if it’s at the end of a sentence
.	“decimal” if it’s in a number
.	“dot” if it’s in a URL, email or packet address
?	“question mark”
—	“dash”
-	“dash” (or “minus” in a negative number, e.g., -15)
/	“slash”
@	“atsign”
#	“poundsign”

Mixed Group or Mixed Group Figure(s)

Message says: CUP-201
You say: mixed group charlie uniform papa dash two zero one

Message says: Form 211b
You say: form, mixed group figures two one one bravo

Telephone numbers, amateur call signs, email address, packet address

Message says: (408) 555-1212
You say: telephone figures four zero eight, five five five, one two one two

Message says: KK6EWQ
You say: amateur call kilo kilo six echo whiskey quebec

Message says: xyz30@abc.com
You say: email address x-ray yankee zulu three zero atsign alpha bravo charlie dot charlie oscar mike

Message says: XYZ@W1XSC

You say: packet address x-ray yankee zulu atsign whiskey one x-ray sierra charlie

GPS Coordinates

Message says: 37° 19' 14" -122° 1' 50"

You say: g p s coordinates three seven degrees, one niner minutes, one four seconds, and, minus one two two degrees, one minute, five zero seconds

Other Prowords for Sending

Spelling a word that's ambiguous or difficult to spell

Message says: sine

You say: sine, I spell sierra india november echo

Put the next word or group on a new line

Message says: one

two

You say: one, new line, two

Emphasis

Messages says: Do NOT or Do not

You say: Do not, I say again not

Correcting a mispronunciation

Messages says: the substance is mustard

You say: the substance is musht, I say again, mustard

Prowords for Controlling the Exchange

Sender: Read 5 words slowly, then release the PPT

Reciever: Finish writing the words, then say **Go**

or

If you need the sender to repeat some words, say one of the following

Say Again all after...

Say Again word after...

Say Again word before...

Say Again between ... and ...

After You Finish Sending or Receiving the Message

On the message, note

Whether the message was sent or received

What method (voice/packet/phone/etc) was used

The date and time you finished sending or receiving the message

Your call sign

Any other information the form asks for, such as ARK name

Log the message on your ICS 309 Communications Log