

printable phonetic alphabet

Phonetic Alphabet

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C - charlie	P - papa
D - delta	Q - quebec
E - echo	R - romeo
F - foxtrot	S - sierra
G - golf	T - tango
H - hotel	U - uniform
I - india	V - victor
J - juliet	W - whiskey
K - kilo	X - x-ray
L - lima	Y - yankee
M - mike	Z - zulu

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the military requires that you repeat unclear words or instructions and provide confirmation to prevent these errors. The military and other radio-telephone operators (RTOs) (such

as ship captains and commercial pilots) use a phonetic or spelling alphabet to identify letters in messages so that there is no doubt as to what word was said once it is spelled phonetically. For example, using the military alphabet, the word “bomb” would be “Bravo Oscar Mike Bravo” while “bond” would be “Bravo Oscar November Delta, thereby eliminating any confusion.

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F – Foxtrot

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H – Hotel

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J – Juliet

K – Kilo

L – Lima

M – Mike

N – November

O – Oscar

P – Papa

Q – Quebec

R – Romeo

S – Sierra

T – Tango

U – Uniform

V – Victor

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The International Telecommunications Union Standard Phonetic Alphabet

The current military alphabet was adopted by international agreement in 1957 and has undergone numerous changes since its recorded use 1913. The following table shows the changes of the military alphabet over the years as well as the correct pronunciation for each word.

Letter	World War II	1938	1927	1913	1957-Present	Pronunciation
A	Afirm (Able)	Afirm	Affirmative	Able	Alfa (Alpha)	AL-FAH
B	Baker	Baker	Baker	Boy	Bravo	BRAH-VOH
C	Charlie	Cast	Cast	Cast	Charlie	CHAR-LEE
D	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	Delta	DEL-TAL

E	Easy	Easy	Easy	Easy	Echo	ECK-OH
F	Fox	Fox	Fox	Fox	Foxtrot	FOKS-TROT
G	George	George	George	George	Golf	GOLF
H	How	Hypo	Hypo	Have	Hotel	HOH-TEL
I	Int (Item)	Int	Interrogatory	Item	India	IN-DEE-AH
J	Jig	Jig	Jig	Jig	Juliett	JEW-LEE-ETT
K	King	King	King	King	Kilo	KEY-LOH
L	Love	Love	Love	Love	Lima	LEE-MAH
M	Mike	Mike	Mike	Mike	Mike	MIKE
N	Negat (Nan)	Negat	Negative	Nan	November	NO-VEM-BER
O	Option (Oboe)	Option	Option	Oboe	Oscar	OSS-CAH
P	Prep (Peter)	Prep	Preparatory	Pup	Papa	PAH-PAH
Q	Queen	Queen	Quack	Quack	Quebec	KEH-BECK
R	Roger	Roger	Roger	Rush	Romeo	ROW-ME-PJ
S	Sugar	Sail	Sail	Sail	Sierra	SEE-AIR-RAH
T	Tare	Tare	Tare	Tare	Tango	TANG-GO
U	Uncle	Unit	Unit	Unit	Uniform	YOU-NEE-FORM
V	Victor	Victor	Vice	Vice	Victor	VIK-TAH
W	William	William	William	Watch	Whiskey	WISS-KEY
X	X-ray	X-ray	X-ray	X-ray	X-ray	ECKS-RAY
Y	Yoke	Yoke	Yoke	Yoke	Yankee	YANG-KEY
Z	Zebra	Zed	Zed	Zed	Zulu	ZOO-L00

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Spanish phonetic

A - Antonio, América
B - Barcelona
C - Carmen, Cáceres
Ch - chocolate
D - Dinamarca
E - Enrique, España
F - Francia
G - Gerona
H - historia, Huelva
I - Inés, Italia
J - jueves
K - kilo
L - Lorenzo, Lérida
U - llama

M - Madrid
N - Navarra
Ñ - ñoño
O - Ojedo
P - París
Q - querido
R - Roma
S - sábado, Segovia
T - tango, Tarrak
U - Uruguay
V - Valencia
W - Washington
X - Ximena
Y - yegua, yegua
Z - Zapata

why the Aviation Industry Finds Military Alphabet Important

Communication is very essential in any given industry. It can determine someone's behaviors. A provocative message will definitely provoke someone towards doing something that the message is communicating. It is right to say that almost all people will respond to the messages the way they understand them. A message might be directed to someone in good faith, but the manner in which that person will heed the message, will determine his or her response. Some jobs rely on conversations so much to the level that if the message is poorly encoded, the result can be fatal. Such jobs are military and airplane piloting to mention but two.

Phonetic language

Aviation Phonetic Alphabet				
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A	ALPHA		S	SIERRA
B	BRAVO		T	TANGO
C	CHARLIE		U	UNIFORM
D	DELTA		V	VICTOR
E	ECHO		W	WHISKEY
F	FOXTROT		X	X-RAY
G	GOLF		Y	YANKEE
H	HOTEL		Z	ZULU
I	INDIA		1	ONE
J	JULIET		2	TWO
K	KILO		3	THREE
L	LIMA		4	FOUR
M	MIKE		5	FIVE
N	NOVEMBER		6	SIX
O	OSCAR		7	SEVEN
P	PAPA		8	EIGHT
Q	QUEBEC		9	NINER
R	ROMEO		0	ZERO

To avoid confusion, military department decided to improvise talk by using a language known as phonetic language. Due to its accuracy in communication, the language is also being used as Aviation alphabet. This is so because the industry needs by all means to avoid any confusion that might occur if verbal communication is employed. Apart from the aviation industry, other emergency departments such as police and all the armed forces groups, use this language to identify letters so that to enhance a proper communication of abbreviations, initials and even when spelling some words.

During the relaying of abbreviations or even letter codes for example in registration, say by military, air traffic control and in emergency services, the communication does not allow

giving letters themselves but allows only the corresponding words to be mentioned. In this manner, the communication between two parties is made easier and so they enjoy several benefits. The importance of using this kind of language is as follows;

Strengthens and clarifies communication

The alphabet letters that military use strengthens and clarifies communications. The aviation industry also requires their communication to be strengthened and also be clarified to avoid accidents that can be avoided by ensuring message is encoded clearly. You can guess if there is any misconception of information between the pilot and the air traffic controller, what could happen. To avoid such misconceptions or misinterpretations, the Aviation alphabet should be emulated from the military alphabet. What is required here is full cooperation and observation of security issues. The above will not happen if poor communication is witnessed in an aviation industry.

Eases listening

The success of pilot depends entirely on the efficacy of the information conceived. At times, when a pilot is flying, interferences that come from a combat environment mixed by both the surrounding noise and the quality of the signal might make it hard for the pilots and the air traffic controllers to communicate effectively. The military alphabet, which today can be referred to as Aviation alphabet will minimize the possible confusions of some letters. The use of military alphabet here ensures the communicating parties are in a good position to make a distinction between letters so as to ease communication, regardless of the noise present.

When it is significant for the communicating parties to get one another clearly, the use of Aviation alphabet is the better option. The alphabet, which is formulated in a more of

orthographic than alphabetic letters, permits the flight operators to communicate properly in spite of any obstacle that might exist. When support is needed in aviation industry, mostly any communication that pertains the flying plane, communication must be 100 percent clear. If the above can't happen, it could mean the differences between death and life. Orders and requests will be carried properly when military alphabet is used as Aviation alphabet so as to offer a foolproof that the offered requests are carried out just the way they were supposed to. Some accidents have been caused due to misconception of information, because the operators were using normal verbal language instead of this military alphabet.

Short is better

The coded words pronunciation varies with lingo habits of the speaker. To avoid misconceptions that can be caused through pronunciation, the military decided to consider short forms of the words so as to make them fit in their work, which is surrounded by urgency. Unfortunately, not all letters that have been spelt by the twenty-six alphabet letters sound in proper English, this is one thing that made the military department to ensure they use short form of words, which can be understood by all the concerned persons universally.

Most radio operators usually say "affirmative" or "negative" to mean "yes" or "no". These words are too long to make a person who is worried and need help to understood. That is why, in place of affirmative, the operators usually use affirm. In a situation that is very agent, the term "mayday" can be used to mean, "come help me". A person who is in need might have only one minute to beg for help, and if the words are too long, the chance of requesting for the help might be minimal. Better a short form of a word since that will save lives. Another example is "Roger" which was shortened from a word "Roger message". Its origin was World War II. Normally, when soldiers are in War, they do not need to debate over

issues since the enemy can take up their position. In the same way, when a flight is on its course, a debate is not necessary since at that moment, the lives of the passengers might be tempered with. Short form saves communication channel and their decision-making is first and very reliable. With that, it is good to understand that the military alphabet is very important in aviation industry, and that is why it has been capitalized as Aviation alphabet.

The military alphabet has made most main airlines to speak internally by the use of the rider name records and also to certain level with customers. This was innovated to ensure the communication required is made easier as far as possible so as to quicken the operations required bearing in mind that a single mistake can cost the lives of the whole lot of people in the plane.

The truth is that it is interesting to put the evolution of this alphabet into consideration and its control for both the military and aviation industry.