



International Radio Operators' Alphabet

Alfa

Bravo

Charlie

Delta

Echo

Foxtrot

Golf

Hotel

India

Juliett

Kilo

Lima

Mike

November

Oscar

Papa

Quebec

Romeo

Sierra

Tango

Uniform

Victor

Whiskey

X-ray

Yankee

Zulu



This (left) is the International Radio Operators' Alphabet. When Christian workers live overseas in small villages, they are often far away from cities, main roads, stores and hospitals. Sometimes they need to talk with other people who live in the city. Their radios work kind of like walkie-talkies.

Static (a loud crackling noise) can make it very hard to hear and understand the message. Then the workers spell out the words – but they don't just use letters! They use these 'alphabet words' known to radio operators all over the world.

This is how a radio call might sound between a person in the city and another person in the village:

City: Papa-Yankee-Quebec 843, Calling Zulu-Victor-Quebec 317, Over.

Village: Zulu-Victor-Quebec 317. Good morning. Over.

City: How's everything out there? Over.

Village: Everything's fine. Reading classes are going well. We translated 20 verses in the book of Luke today. There's a lady here very sick with malaria, and we are giving her medicine. Over.

City: We will keep praying for you and her. Is there anything you need on the flight next week? Over.

Village: Yes, we'd sure like some fresh vegetables. Over.

City: Zulu-Victor-Quebec 317, I'm getting a lot of static. Please spell out your order. Over.

Village: Roger. Here's what we need:



Figure out the shopping list by using the International Radio Operators' Alphabet. Each word stands for its first letter.

3 kilos of Papa-Oscar-Tango-Alfa-Tango-Oscar-Echo-Sierra _____

1 kilo of Charlie-Alfa-Romeo-Romeo-Oscar-Tango-Sierra _____

1 kilo of Tango-Oscar-Mike-Alfa-Tango-Oscar-Echo-Sierra _____

2 kilos of Sierra-Quebec-Uniform-Alfa-Sierra-Hotel _____

2 kilos of Oscar-November-India-Oscar-November-Sierra _____

Figure out what the International Radio Operators' Alphabet is for grapes, apples and oranges so you can add them to the shopping list!

1. Grapes _____

2. Apples _____

3. Oranges _____



Use the International Radio Operators' Alphabet to find out what these exotics fruit and vegetables are.



This fruit can be found in The Bahamas.

Charlie-Uniform-Sierra-Tango-Alfa-Romeo-Delta

Alfa-Papa-Papa-Lima-Echo



This small fruit is from Southeast Asia.

Lima-Yankee-Charlie-Hotel-Echo-Echo



This vegetable is most commonly found In Africa and Asia.

Yankee-Alfa-Mike



This unusual fruit is grown in Mexico.

Delta-Romeo-Alfa-Golf-Oscar-November

Foxtrot-Romeo-Uniform-Indigo-Tango
