Example QSO

QSO exchange

```
-> CQ POTA CQ POTA CQ POTA. This is K3FNB at park US-1596, QRZ?

<- KJ4VIG

-> I heard KJ4VIG, QSL?

<- QSL QSL. I have you at 55 in George Alpha.

-> Very good, I heard you at 57 in Maryland.

<- QSL QSL, have fun in the park

-> Thanks for hunting, 73.

-> CQ POTA CQ POTA CQ POTA. This is K3FNB at park US-1596, QRZ?
```

Common in POTA Q-Codes

There are only a few Q-codes that are common in POTA.

Q-Code	Description
QRZ?	Said at the end of a CQ to let the hunters know you are ready
QSL?	Can you confirm what I just said?
QSL. QSL	I confirm what you just said
QRT	I'm done with this activation.

Usage

A typical CQ call. Some people omit the park ref, but I include it as a kindness.

```
CQ POTA CQ POTA CQ POTA, this is K3FNB at US-1596, QRZ?
```

Just saying `QRZ?` after a QSO lets the waiting stations know you're ready for the next QSO.

```
QRZ?
```

It is courteous to hunters to let them know when you're done. Turning off the radio and going home is rude if hunters are waiting to make a contact.

```
Ok, I'm going to QRT after the next QSO.
```

Pile-up

Pile-ups are common in POTA. They can feel stressful when you hear a crowd of people speaking at once. Try to keep calm. All you have to do is try to pick out a unique set of letters. If you can't make out anything, call CQ again.

```
gibberish India Golf gibberish Tango gibberish
```

We heard `India Golf` and `Tango` among the crowd. So say:

```
I heard an india golf station, go ahead.
```

Sometimes you'll hear multiple `india golf` stations come back. Pick one and make a QSO.