

Duty First

Officer Gallery Guide

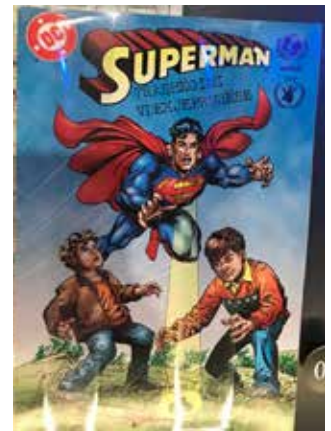


What can your military do?

We the people have an important job in every part of our democracy. Part of that job is to *provide for the common defense*. Learn about some of the missions *we the people* have sent our all-volunteer military to accomplish.

Peacekeeping

1. Why is there a superman comic book in the exhibit?
2. What lasted in the countryside after the war ended?
3. What tasks do soldiers do on peacekeeping missions?
4. Who authorizes most peacekeeping efforts?
5. Who is often called upon to provide the military personnel for these missions?



Battle



1. What force wore this uniform?
2. What problems did the up-armored humvee door solve?
3. The 1991 Gulf War was a US-led coalition of how many nations?



4. What is this weapon?

Counterinsurgency

1. What is Counterinsurgency (COIN)?
2. How is COIN different from BATTLE?
3. What did Nurse Jody Schroeder do in Iraq?
4. How was the artifact in the photo used by US soldiers?



Deterrence

1. Why are continuous training and visible shows of force part of deterrence missions?
2. What was it like in a chemical suit?
3. Find the Berlin Wall and describe its purpose. Why was it built?



Military Assistance

1. What do US soldiers do on Military Assistance missions?
2. How many people are on a military transition team (MiTT)?
3. Look at the Explore 11D Military Assistance Missions screen. Choose 1 mission.
Where did they go?
What was the mission?



Back at School

What should your military do?

You have learned about different missions your military can do. Debrief what you learned with the class. Do additional research to choose a security issue our nation is currently facing. Is military intervention required, or are American interests best preserved in a different way? If you need the American military, which mission is the right mission?

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Soldier Stories



Whenever we use our military there are real people, just like you, who must go and do the missions we ask of them. Who are these people? What types of jobs do they do to accomplish their missions?

1. Soldier Name:
2. Where did s/he serve?
3. When did s/he serve?
4. What type of mission did s/he go on?
(Battle, COIN, Peacekeeping, Deterrence, Military Assistance)
5. What was his/her job in the military?
6. What 3 things were the most interesting or surprising to you when you listened to his/her story?
7. What would you like to learn more about?
8. How did this person help accomplish the mission s/he was on?