

Worksheet 1: Military Traditions, Customs and Courtesies

Part 1

Directions: Column A provides definitions of key words listed in Column B. Match the key word with the appropriate definition by placing the correct letter in the space to the left of Column A.

Column A

- ___ To attire with a certain degree of uniformity
- ___ A drum and bugle salute
- ___ Long-established practices followed as a matter of course among a people
- ___ Having the ability within itself to move
- ___ Being without a hat or headgear
- ___ The firing of a salute normally by a battery of guns
- ___ The passing down of elements of a culture from one generation to another
- ___ A sign or form of exchange used to greet or to show respect and recognition
- ___ Polite gestures or remarks
- ___ The policy of keeping seniors to your right while walking or sitting
- ___ A common feeling of pride found in members of a group
- ___ Removing the case from Colors attached to a staff
- ___ Presenting oneself to a senior
- ___ A place in the military where meals are served

Column B

- a. cannon salutes
- b. courtesies
- c. customs
- d. dress
- e. esprit de corps
- f. mess
- g. position of honor
- h. reporting
- i. ruffles and flourishes
- j. salute
- k. self-propelled
- l. traditions
- m. uncasing a group
- n. uncovered

Part 2

Directions: Column A provides definitions of key words listed in Column B. Match the key word with the appropriate definition by placing the correct letter in the space to the left of Column A.

Column A

- _____ Place the tip of your right forefinger to the forehead near and slightly to the right of your right eyebrow
- _____ Place the tip of your right forefinger to that point on the glasses where the temple piece of the frame meets the right edge of your right brow
- _____ Place the tip of your right forefinger on the rim of the visor slightly to the right of your right eye

Column B

- a. wearing headgear with a visor and with glasses
- b. uncovered with glasses
- c. wearing headgear without a visor and without glasses

Part 3

Circle a Salute

Directions: Military regulations require you to salute when you meet and recognize a person who is entitled to that honor with certain exceptions. Circle all of the situations below where a salute is required.

- a. When you or the other person are in civilian clothes
- b. When you meet the other person in a public place, such as a store or theater
- c. When you are in a group uncasing the Colors
- d. While you are indoors (you are not reporting or on guard duty)
- e. When you are reporting
- f. When you hear the sounding of honors
- g. When the national colors pass you
- h. While you are riding on public transportation, such as a bus or a train
- i. When you hear the “National Anthem,” “To the Colors,” or “Hail to the Chief” (If you are in uniform.)
- j. When you hear reveille or retreat and you are in uniform
- k. When pledging allegiance to the flag while outdoors and in uniform
- l. When pledging allegiance to the flag while indoors
- m. When on duty as a guard