

glossary War and conflict

Task 1 Translate.

battle (n) /bætl/ A major fight between armed forces during the course of a war.

civil war (n) /sɪvl wɔː/ A war fought between people from the same country.

engagement (n) /ɪn'geɪdʒmənt/ A fight between two small units of opposing armed forces. An engagement can be part of a battle.

guerrilla (n) /gə'rɪlə/ A member of an irregular military group that fights with sudden, unexpected attacks on the official armed forces.

outbreak (n) /aʊtbreɪk/ The sudden beginning of a conflict.

rebel (n) /rebl/ Someone who opposes his government with force.

uprising (n) /ʌpraɪzɪŋ/ A situation where a group of people use force to oppose their government.

war (n) /wɔː/ An armed conflict where a country uses all its national resources and military strength.

Task 2 Complete the text. Use the correct form of the glossary words.

The Redland (1) *Civil War* broke out in August when (2) forces attacked government troops. The rebels were backed by the government of Orange, Redland's southern neighbour, and in October (3) broke out between the two countries when the Orange army invaded. The war was over quickly – the Orange Army was defeated at the (4) of Redford in November. The rebels continued fighting until January although with no further support from Orange and no popular support for the (5), their actions were limited to a number of small (6) between (7) and government forces.

Tactical missions

Task 3 Translate.

defensive mission (n) /dɪfensɪv 'mɪʃn/ An operation designed to cause an enemy attack to fail.

offensive mission (n) /əfensɪv 'mɪʃn/ An operation to destroy the enemy in order to secure terrain or hold the enemy in position.

reconnaissance mission (n) /rɪkɒnɪs(ə)ns 'mɪʃn/ An operation to obtain information about the enemy and about the area of operations.

security mission (n) /sɪkjuəreɪ 'mɪʃn/ An operation to protect a moving force, provide time to react and space to manoeuvre.

Task 4 Write the words.

- 1 reconnoitre (verb) (noun)
- 2 defend (verb) (adjective)
- 3 secure (verb) (noun)

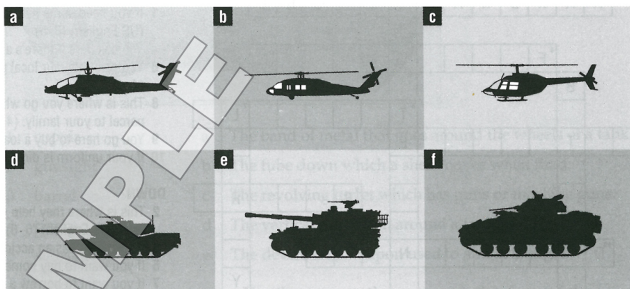
Task 1 Complete the sentences. Use *during*, *while* or *for*.

- 1 The 3d Armored Cavalry Regiment earned their title 'The Brave Rifles' *during* the Mexican War.
- 2 In 1851, the Regiment was sent to Texas and four years they defended settlers from the Indians.
- 3 the American Civil War, many soldiers from the 3d ACR joined the rebels.
- 4 After the Civil War, the 3d ACR was stationed on the Western frontier thirty years.
- 5 The 3d ACR fought in few engagements it was deployed to Europe World War I.
- 6 war raged in Vietnam in the 60s and 70s, the regiment was stationed in West Germany.

Task 2 Complete the names of the vehicles. Use these words. Then match the pictures with the vehicles.

attack battle fighting helicopter howitzer scout

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| 2 cavalry vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 helicopter <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 transport <input type="checkbox"/> | 6 main tank <input type="checkbox"/> |

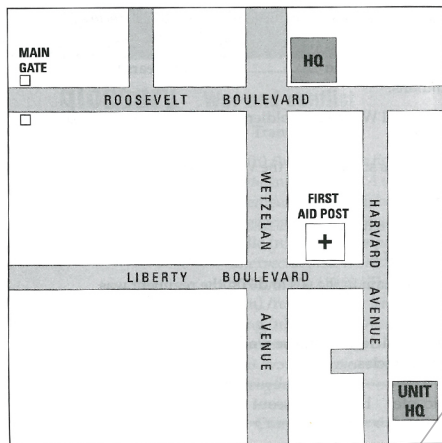


Task 3 Write the words in numbers.

- 1 The ninety-eighth Division *98th*
- 2 The hundred and fifty-fifth Armoured Brigade
- 3 The two hundred and thirty-first Infantry Brigade
- 4 The eighty-second Airborne Division
- 5 The sixty-third Regional Support Command
- 6 The eleventh Signal Regiment

bravo

Task 1 Complete the directions. Use these words.



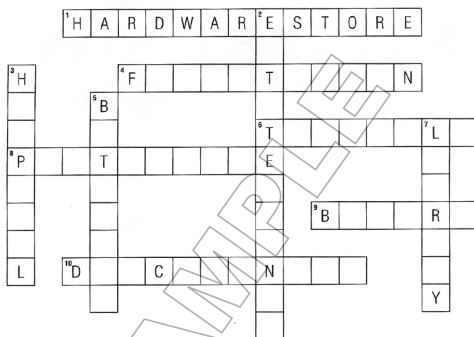
reach proceed (x2) head get
turn go past on the corner of

Directions from the main gate to the unit HQ:

From the main gate, (1) **head** east along Roosevelt Boulevard until you (2) **reach** to HQ which is (3) **on the corner of** Roosevelt Boulevard and Wetzel Avenue. Turn right and (4) **go** down Wetzel Avenue until you (5) **reach** Liberty Boulevard. (6) **turn** left into Liberty Boulevard and (7) **go** the First Aid Post on your left. At the junction (8) **turn** south down Harvard Avenue and the unit HQ is on your left.

charlie

Task 1 Complete the crossword.



ACROSS

- If you need some nails and a hammer, you go here. (US English) (8, 5)
- You call here if there's a fire. (4, 7)
- You can find your local government offices here. (4, 4)
- This is where you go when you want to send a parcel to your family. (4, 6)
- You go here to buy a loaf of bread and some cakes. (4, 6)
- If your uniform is dirty, you take it here. (3, 8)

DOWN

- This is where they help you find an apartment to rent. (UK English) (6, 6)
- If someone has an accident, take them there.
- If you want to buy some meat, this is where you go.
- If you want to borrow a book, this is the place to go.

Task 2 Circle the correct words.

- In Britain you go to an (ironmonger's) / hardware store if you need material to repair your house.
- In the United States you fill your car with fuel at the gas station / service station.
- In Britain you go to a greengrocer's / grocery store if you want to buy vegetables.
- Go to the chemist's / pharmacy in the United States if you need to buy some painkillers.
- You visit a(n) estate agent's / realtor in the United States when you are looking for accommodation.

Task 3 Complete the conversation. Use these words.

as much as big too enough (x 2) as nice as

Carlos So which house shall we rent?

Maria Well, I prefer the house in Fort Carson. The one in Fort Polk isn't (1) *as nice as* that one.

Carlos That's true. What about the apartment on Fifth Avenue?

Maria Oh no, it was a very dark house. It didn't have (2) light.

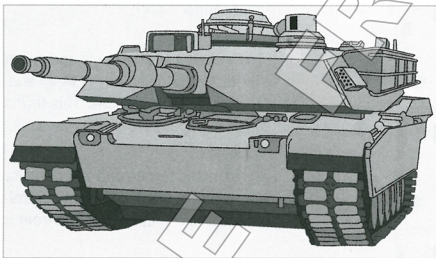
Carlos Yes, and the apartment isn't really (3) enough for a family of four. There aren't (4) bedrooms.

Maria And it was (5) expensive. We can't pay that much.

Carlos OK, so it's the house in Fort Carson. It doesn't cost (6) the house in Fort Polk and it's much nicer.

delta

Task 1 Match the parts of a tank to the definitions.



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| 1 cupola | a | The band of metal that goes around the wheels of a tank. |
| 2 gunsight | b | The tube down which a shell moves when fired. |
| 3 barrel | c | The revolving turret which has guns or machine guns. |
| 4 tracks | d | The vertical protection around a tank. |
| 5 sideskirt | e | The device on a weapon used to aim at a target. |

Task 2 Complete the sentences. Use the comparative or superlative form of the adjectives.

- In your opinion, what's *the best* (good) tank in the world?
- I believe the Abrams M1A2 has (high) fuel consumption than the Leclerc.
- The tank with (long) firing range is the Leopard 2 as it has (big) gun.
- The French tank is (slow) than the Leopard.
- The M1A2's shooting system is (advanced) than many tanks.
- Of all these tanks, does anyone know which is (heavy)? That's the one which will have (bad) fuel consumption.

Task 3 Match the pictures with the paragraphs. Then read and write true or false.

	<p>1 The column formation is used when speed is an important factor and also when the platoon is moving through restrictive terrain such as a road, track, forest or narrow valley. Enemy contact is unlikely in this case as the column formation only permits firing to the platoon's flanks and only one tank can fire to the front.</p>
	<p>2 The staggered column formation is also used when speed is important but in this case contact with the enemy is possible. It is a variation of the column and it permits good fire to the front and the flanks.</p>
	<p>3 The wedge formation is used when the platoon is moving in open terrain. It is the best formation to meet every possible situation as it allows excellent firing to the front and good firing to the flanks (at least three tanks can cover either flank).</p>
	<p>4 The echelon formation is again used in open terrain. Contact with the enemy is likely and the platoon needs to protect an exposed flank. This formation allows excellent firepower to the front and one flank.</p>
	<p>5 In restricted terrain and where contact is likely the vee formation is used. Excellent control and protection is provided but firepower to the front is limited.</p>
	<p>6 For assaulting enemy positions and crossing danger areas the line formation is used. It gives maximum firepower to the front as all tanks can fire but only one tank can cover each flank.</p>

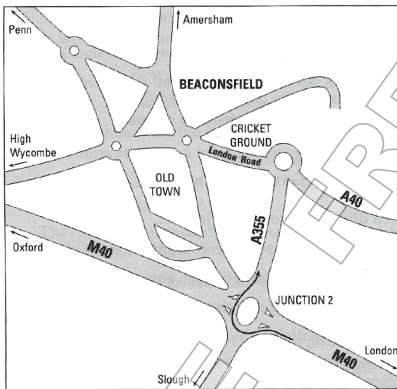
- 1 The column formation should not be used if enemy contact is likely. *true*
- 2 When speed is an important factor both the column and the staggered column formation can be used.
- 3 In order to be ready for every possible situation, it is best to use the echelon formation.
- 4 In the vee formation, the platoon has good control and protection but not very good firepower to the front.
- 5 The formation that gives maximum assault power is the wedge formation.
- 6 In the staggered column and line formation, only one tank can cover each flank.

listening

Task 1 (11) Listen to the first part of the conversation and answer the questions.

- 1 What did Gary think of the Defence School of Languages?
- 2 Is DSL in a noisy area of town?
- 3 How far is it from the base to the town centre?
- 4 Which restaurant does Gary recommend?
- 5 Which is the best street for the banks and main shops?
- 6 Is there a shop on the base?

Task 2 (12) Listen to the second part of the conversation and mark the route on the map.



Task 3 (13) Listen to two Australian officers and tick the points they mention against buying new tanks.

- 1 New tanks will probably use more fuel.
- 2 Their gunners are likely to need more expensive training.
- 3 The cargo planes in the Australian Air force aren't big enough to lift them.
- 4 Australia doesn't have enough amphibious ships to move them.
- 5 They are vulnerable in open ground.
- 6 They can't move through forests or urban areas very well.

Task 4 (13) Listen again and complete the sentences.

- 1 Without tanks, the infantry are more *exposed*.
- 2 Without tanks, helicopters cannot provide enough to soldiers on the ground.
- 3 Tanks offer greater protection and make forces more
- 4 Nowadays the Australian Army is more likely to deploy
- 5 A country with a similar problem to Australia is
- 6 That country decided to buy a lighter vehicle with bigger