TRIVIA QUIZ

FOR MEMORIAL DAY

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Military History
Military Honors
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NAME, RANK & SERIAL NUMBER

1. How old do you have to be to join the U.S. military?
2. Fill in the blank with the name of the branch of the military that matches each sentence.
   A. A sailor refers to someone in the _____
   B. A soldier refers to someone in the _____
   C. An airman refers to someone in the_____
3. What's included on a dog tag?
4. What does R.O.T.C. stand for?
5. What does M.R.E. stand for?
6. What is a flack jacket used for?
7. What is dress uniform used for vs. fatigues?

MILITARY HISTORY

1. What are the 5 branches that make up the United States Armed Forces today?
2. How many troops are currently on active duty?
   A. More than 1 million
   B. More than 2 million
   C. More than 3 million
   D. Under 1 million
3. In which war did the U.S. sustain the most military casualties?
4. Who was the leader of the confederate army during the Civil War?
5. What year was the U.S. Armed forces created?
6. Is the office of President a civilian position or a military position?
7. Fill in the blank: President Obama is the Commander-in-_____of the United States.
8. Highest rank in Navy?
9. US Air Force Academy located in
   A. Kansas
   B. Texas
   C. Colorado
   D. Arizona
10. What is the entry rank in the US Marine Corps?
11. Which branch of the military did actor Humphrey Bogart serve in?

MILITARY HONORS

1. What is the Medal of Honor?
2. Which medal is awarded in the name of the President to those who have been wounded or killed in battle?
3. What is the difference between Memorial Day and Veterans Day?
4. What is the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier?
5. Who can be buried at Arlington Cemetery?
6. When is a 21-gun salute used?
7. How many names are written on the Vietnam Memorial?
   A. More than 80,000
   B. More than 58,000
   C. 25,000
   D. None of the above
8. What is the name of the only President to receive the Medal of Honor?

WOMEN IN THE MILITARY

1. What is the name of a female pilot?
2. What percentage of U.S. Military are women?
3. What year were women allowed to attend West Point?
   A. 2000
   B. 1960
   C. 1976.
   D. They are still not allowed to attend West Point.
4. Who was the first female to receive the Medal of Honor?
   A. Clara Barton
   B. Florence Nightingale
   C. Dr. Mary E. Walker

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ANSWERS

NAME, RANK & SERIAL NUMBER:

1. 18; can be 17 with parental consent
2. A. Navy B. Army C. Air Force
3. Full name, social security number, branch of service, blood type, religion. Two dog tags are worn by each soldier, one on a longer chain and one on a shorter chain attached to the longer chain for easy removal in combat conditions.
4. Reserve Officers' Training Corps, a college-based officer commissioning program
5. Meals Ready to Eat
6. A flak jacket or flak vest is a form of **protective clothing** designed to provide protection from **shrapnel** and other indirect low velocity projectiles. Today it frequently refers to **bulletproof vests**, particularly **Type III** and above, which have added steel, titanium, ceramic or polyethylene plates which can withstand high-powered rounds such as those from rifles.
7. Dress uniform is used for parades and special functions. Fatigues are used for combat.

MILITARY HISTORY:

1. Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard
2. A. Over 1,346,615 (and over 810,000 reservists) as of 2/29/2016
3. Civil War: over 600,000 military personnel died in the field and in prisoner of war camps
4. Robert E. Lee
5. 1775 at the time of the American Revolutionary War against the British.
6. Civilian
7. Chief
8. Admiral
9. C. Colorado
10. Private
11. Coast Guard

MILITARY HONORS

1. Highest military decoration awarded by United States government
2. Purple Heart. The Bronze Star is awarded to soldiers for bravery, acts of merit, or meritorious service.
3. Memorial Day commemorates US men and women who died in military service. This federal holiday takes place on the last Monday of May. Veterans Day, a federal holiday in November, honors military veterans.
4. A grave at Arlington Cemetery where the unidentified remains of a soldier are interred. The grave is guarded 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. It represents a tribute to all the unknown soldiers who have given their lives for our country. The tomb has been guarded every minute of every day since 1937!
5. Any active member of the Armed Forces killed during service, the U.S. President, former U.S. Presidents, veterans of the Armed Forces, and former veterans who have received honors such as the Medal of Honor and the Purple Heart.
6. A 21-gun salute is fired on the occasion of the arrival or departure of a U.S. President, Foreign Head of State, former U.S. President, or President-elect. A 21-gun salute is also fired at the funeral of a U.S. president and on Memorial Day at Arlington Cemetery in memory of the nation's fallen soldiers. For anyone entitled to a military funeral (those who died on active duty, honorable discharged veterans, and military retirees.) There are three volley shots fired by 7 service men in honor of the deceased veteran. This is commonly mistaken as a "gun-salute" but it is not actually considered a gun, as the shots are fired by rifles, not guns.
7. There are currently 58,261 names on the wall.
8. Theodore Roosevelt for his actions on San Juan Hill during the Spanish American War—awarded in 2001

WOMEN IN THE MILITARY

1. Aviatrix. A male pilot is called an aviator.
2. About 20%
3. C. 119 women joined West Point in 1976; they became the graduating class of 1980.
4. C. The first, and only, woman to receive The Medal of Honor was Dr. Mary E. Walker, a contract surgeon during the Civil War.

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