

Commands and Orders



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Warm-up

1) *Pair work – explain the following signs and commands in English:*

quick march, dangerous chemical, at ease, cease fire, no trespassing, eyes left, mind your step, take a deep breath, dead slow, authorized personnel only, no weapons beyond this point

2) *Put the signs and commands into the right column and where would you find them on a military base.*

Sign	Commands	Location
1	Cease fire!	A firing range
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Reading and vocabulary development

3) Match the verbs which are used with commands and orders with their synonyms.

- *issue*
- *receive*
- *obey*
- *carry out*
- *disobey*

give a / an command / order

get an order

follow a / an command / order

ignore an order

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Reading and vocabulary development

4) Read part of an interview with a camp commander on a peacekeeping mission. Fill in the gaps using the verbs (Interviewer = I and Commander = C).

I: What was the most dangerous order that you have ever had followed?

C: I think it was when we an order to demine a road on the Eritrean-Ethiopian border. We were followed by quite a big group of armed and hopped up soldiers capable of starting shooting any minute. That was rather dangerous.

I: What was the most difficult order that you have ever had to give?

C: Well, I would say that it is always difficult to Orders when we have to punish soldiers. Here, in the mission, we have to repatriate soldiers from time to time. It doesn't happen a lot but when it does it's not an easy thing to do. The reasons we have to repatriate soldiers are different, like health problems, breaking the rules,orders and so on.

I: Is there any order that you have received and wanted to disobey?

C: The one that I really wanted to protest about was the order to accompany the mission Force commander in the sector and take care of all safety precautions while transporting him in the area of operation. I don't think it was a job for us engineers. It is the responsibility of security units. However, as a soldier you may never Orders so I had to this order anyway.

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Role-play and vocabulary development

5) *Role-play - work in pairs:*

one of you is an interviewer and the other one is a commander). Interview your partner on any exercise where you had to issue or follow orders. Then take turns. Finally, report to the class what you as an interviewer have learned.

6) *Explain what these commands mean.*

ATTENTION AT EASE RIGHT TURN / LEFT TURN ABOUT TURN EYES FRONT
RIGHT DRESS

7) *Match the commands with their definitions.*

HALT	fire a weapon after unloading to make sure it is clear
FORWARD MARCH	salute sb. by holding a rifle in front of the body in a vertical position
FALL IN / FALL OUT	stand in front of a line / formation
LOAD / UNLOAD	send soldiers away / release soldiers at the end of a parade
EYES RIGHT / LEFT	start shooting / end shooting
FIRE / CEASE FIRE	turn the head and look to the right / left
FALL OUT	stop moving
STEP OUT	form a military formation / leave a military formation
PRESENT ARMS	start moving in a special way, i.e. marching
GUN CLEAR	put ammo into a weapon / take ammo out of a weapon

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Speaking and vocabulary revision

8) *In pairs take turns to ask and answer questions about the commands.
See the example below.*

A: What do you have to do when you hear the command “Attention”?

B: I have to stand properly, I mustn't move.

AT EASE

RIGHT TURN / LEFT TURN

ABOUT TURN

EYES FRONT

RIGHT DRESS

HALT

EYES RIGHT

GUN CLEAR

CEASE FIRE

FORWARD MARCH

STEP OUT

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Reading and speaking

9) *Work in pairs. Read the following situations and discuss with your partner what orders you would give.*

A You have a disorganized group of soldiers and you have to march them to the mess hall.

B You are training some soldiers and after demonstrating a certain procedure (e.g. About turn) you want one of them to demonstrate the procedure in front of the others.

C Your unit is about to receive its daily orders. The commander is late, so you have to wait for him.

Prepare your unit.After the commander s arrival:

D A general is coming to inspect your unit. Present the unit to the general.

E You are at a firing range. You want one of the soldiers in your unit to fire a round.

POSSIBLE ANSWERS – exercise 9)

These answers are just examples. Students may suggest other possibilities.

- A SQUAD – FALL IN – RIGHT DRESS – EYES FRONT – RIGHT TURN – BY THE FRONT – QUICK MARCH – LEFT RIGHT LEFT RIGHT LEFT RIGHT LEFT
- B PRIVATE WOOD – SHUN – ONE PACE – STEP FORWARD – MARCH! – ABOUT TURN! ONE PACE – STEP FORWARD – MARCH – ABOUT TURN – STAND AT ... EASE!
- C A COMPANY – COMPANY - SHUN! RIGHT DRESS – EYES FRONT - STAND AT ... EASE!
After the commander's arrival:
COMPANY – COMPANY - SHUN! PRESENT ARMS – SHOULDER ARMS – ORDER ARMS – STAND AT ... EASE!
- D FALL IN – RIGHT DRESS – EYES FRONT – GENERAL SALUTE – PRESENT ARMS – SHOULDER ARMS – ORDER ARMS!
STAND AT ... EASE! (e.g. during the speech) - SHUN! – FALL OUT! (after general's departure)
- E LOAD – READY – TARGET IN FRONT – ONE ROUND ... FIRE!
UNLOAD – GUN CLEAR.

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Thanks for your attention



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