

88818 Ep 3 “Pledge of Allegiance”

Linguist:

In charge of translating documents and communications in the local language.

R&R - Rest and Recuperation**MiTT (Military Transition Team):**

A 10 to 15 soldier team that trains foreign national and local security forces.

Basic:

An abbreviation for “basic training” which encompasses the initial training enlisted recruits receive.

Sunni Triangle:

A densely populated region of Iraq, northwest of Baghdad.

S.A.W. (M249 Squad Automatic Weapon):

A belt-fed light machine gun chambered in 5.56mm, widely used in the United States military.

“House to House” Combat:

A feature of “urban warfare,” house to house combat is known for being especially dangerous due to the close quarters nature of engagements.

H.B.I.E.D.:

House-Borne Improvised Explosive Device; when an entire house is rigged to detonate and collapse after a squad has entered it.

N.C.O.:

Non-Commissioned Officer, enlisted leadership within a chain of command.

Stack:

A formation used when an assault team forms up single-file along the entrance to a house or room they believe a threat is located.

Taking Fire:

When someone is shooting at you.

Humvee:

The High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle (HMMWV) is a lightweight, high performance tactical vehicle.

AOR - Area of Responsibility**Selective Service:**

A system under which individuals are called up for military service.

M.R.E. (Meal, Ready-to-Eat):

A pre-cooked U.S. military ration pack.

D.O.D.: United States Department of Defense

AIT:

Advanced Individual Training, a school to teach soldiers technical skills for their specific Army job, often attended right after Basic Training.

M.A.S.H. - Mobile Army Surgical Hospital

FACT:

According to the Department of Veterans Affairs, more than 265,000 American women served the military during the Vietnam War. 11,000 women served in Vietnam, with 90% working as nurses.

Agent Orange:

An herbicide mixture used by the U.S. Military during the Vietnam War, containing a dangerous chemical contaminant called dioxin.

Burn Pits:

Used until the mid-2010s, burn pits were a common method of waste disposal on U.S. military bases. They often resulted in toxic smoke from burning items such as rubber or plastic.

Outside the Wire:

A term meaning outside the perimeter of a military base or other high-security area.

U.S.C.I.S. - United States Citizenship and Immigration Services

I.N.S. - Immigration and Naturalization Service

P.C.S. - Permanent Change of Station

DMV Area:

Washington, D.C., Maryland, Virginia area.

I-VETS - Immigrant Veterans Eligibility Tracking System

Veterans Day - Honors those who served in the US Military

Memorial Day - Honors those who died in military service

D.H.S. - Department of Homeland Security