Medevac:
A vehicle or aircraft that provides medical care in transit.

Average Age of U.S. Veterans:
According to the VA, the overall average age of a veteran is 58 years old, with the largest group of veterans between the ages of 45 and 64 and less than 10% are women.

Suicide Hotline:
Text or call 988 for the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline.

Medical Evaluation Board (MEB):
Determines whether a service member’s medical condition qualifies them for duty.

Boat Crew Qualified:
Formal training and certification in seamanship, crew coordination and boat safety.

Boats Underway:
Underway refers to a military vessel that is not presently moored to a pier, or at anchor.

Bar Report:
A Bar Report evaluates the state of the tide and its effect, the current forecasted weather and sea conditions, and knowing how all those forces affect the local conditions for mariners.

Man Overboard Drill:
The practice of retrieving an individual who has fallen into the water.

Coxswain:
The individual responsible for a boat and its crew.

"44", or 44-foot Motor Lifeboat:
Was the standard workhorse of the United States Coast Guard (USCG) rescue boat fleet.

C.O.:
A Commanding Officer or Officer-in-Charge.

X.O.:
An executive officer who is second-in-command.

Federal Bereavement Leave:
Under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 (FMLA), most Federal employees are entitled to a total of up to 12 workweeks of unpaid leave in the event of the death of a family member of the service member’s or spouse’s immediate family.
**Veterans Service Officer (VSO):**
An accredited representative that is recognized by Veterans Affairs (VA) to assist veterans with their VA benefit claims.

**Operation Orders (OPORD):**
A directive issued by the leader to their subordinate leaders to effect the coordinated execution of a specific operation.

**Military Entrance Processing Station (MEPS):**
Station where applicants for military service go to complete the enlistment process. MEPs ensures that each applicant meets the aptitude, physical and behavioral standards set by the Department of Defense and service branches.

**Compensation and Pension:**
The evaluation process that determines a veteran's disability rating.

**Assault Pack:**
A pack which helps to sustain you and your unit with the very essentials during combat and immediate approach to combat.

**Transition Assistant Program (TAP):**
Provides information, resources, and tools to service members and their loved ones to help prepare for the move from military to civilian life.

**“Waiver Warrior”:**
Also referred to as "Sick Call Ranger" is a derogatory term for someone who constantly goes to "sick call" to get out of physical training, duty day or deployment.

**Zero Error Syndrome:**
A zero-defects mentality (also known as Zero Error Syndrome) exists when a command-and-control structure does not tolerate mistakes. This atmosphere is now widely acknowledged to be ineffective in the military.

**Battalion / Brigade Commander:**
A battalion commander manages a military unit consisting of 300 to 1,200 soldiers while a brigade commander oversees a few battalions with anywhere from 3,000 to 5,000 soldiers.

**Orange Door Program:**
The "Orange Door Program" at Syracuse University provides support and care for veterans' academic, behavioral, legal, financial, personal, and family issues while on campus.
Fact:
A third of the nearly 3 million post-9/11 veterans are attending college using their government benefits. According to a VA study, 37% of part-time and 16% of full-time veteran-students drop out within nine months of enrollment.

William Pearson Tolley:
The 7th Chancellor of Syracuse University, serving from 1942 until 1969.

Post-9/11 G.I. Bill:
An educational assistance program enacted by Congress for individuals with active duty service after September 10, 2001. It provides up to 36 months of education benefits.

11-Bravo:
11B, or 11 Bravo, is the U.S. Army Military Occupational Specialty code for an enlisted infantry soldier.

Private First Class:
An Army and Marine Corps rank held by junior enlisted personnel.

“Going Postal”:
Refers to someone becoming extremely angry or violent in the workplace. The term is derived from a series of brutal, lethal acts perpetrated by active and former US Postal workers against colleagues, police, and the public.

O.C.S. (Officer Candidate School):
Officer Candidate School (OCS) trains Army Officers.

Warrant Officer:
A grade of ranks below commissioned officers and above enlisted personnel who perform technical and tactical leadership roles.

Commissioned Officer:
Military personnel who are employed in management roles or highly specialized fields that require professional degrees.