

Worksheet 12: U.S. Military Branch Mission Analysis

Go beyond matching: compare missions, constraints, and cooperation.

Part A: Branch Mission Reasoning

Think about broad mission areas: land, sea, air, space, coastal/waterway safety, and amphibious operations. Some questions can have more than one reasonable answer if you justify it.

1. A hurricane damages a coastal city. Which branches might reasonably support the response, and what different role could each play?

2. A satellite communication problem affects navigation and timing. Which branch would be most directly connected, and why could other branches still care?

3. A conflict requires moving forces from ships onto land. Which branch or branches are most connected to that mission? Explain the connection.

4. A large land operation needs aircraft, communications, medical evacuation, and supply movement. Explain why more than one branch may be involved.

Extra workspace / final response:

Part B: Compare, Contrast, and Evaluate

5. Compare the Navy and Coast Guard. Give one similarity and two differences in mission focus.

6. Compare the Army and Air Force. Explain how they could support the same mission in different ways.

7. Pick one branch and explain one misconception people might have about it.

8. Write a respectful interview question for a service member that would help you understand their daily job, not just their branch name.

Extra workspace / final response:
