



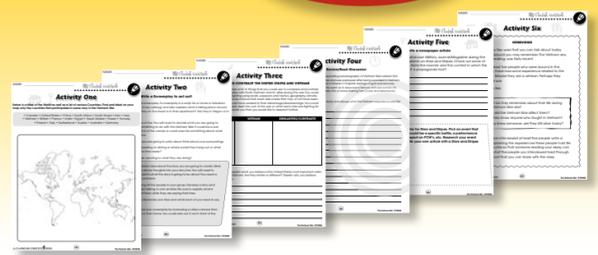
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The Role of the Navy

1. Have a look at a map of Vietnam. Where do you think the Navy would operate? Explain your answer.

2. When you think of Vietnam you don't really think of the Navy. What kind of duties or missions do you think the Navy would have been involved in?

3. Match each of the words below with its' meaning. You can use a dictionary to help.

a	POW	_____	A	A nuclear powered aircraft carrier
b	SEAL Teams	_____	B	a small fast boat used to patrol inland waterways
c	blockade	_____	C	Special Forces branch of the Navy
d	gunboat	_____	D	stopping the flow of supplies
e	USS Enterprise	_____	E	Prisoner of War



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The Role of the Navy

The Navy also played a very important role in the U.S. war effort in Vietnam. The Navy had three major jobs. The first was to stop the flow of supplies by sea from North Vietnam from getting to communist troops in the South. The second was to provide artillery support from the big ships' guns. The artillery fire protected troops under attack as well as bombarded North Vietnamese and Viet Cong positions and bunkers. The third was to use smaller and faster boats to police and patrol the vast inland waterways and rivers. As well as patrolling the waterways, the Navy used the rivers to provide quick transport of troops and supplies into hard to reach areas. Naval forces in Vietnam were divided into two forces called the Blue Water Navy and the Brown Water Navy. The Blue Water Navy patrolled the deep waters off the coast of Vietnam and included battleships, cruisers, destroyers and the first nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, the U.S.S. Enterprise. The Brown Water Navy used patrol gunboats and other fast ships and boats to cruise the inland rivers and coastal seas. Brown water referred to the brown murky color of the waters that covered the country.



Who patrolled the deep waters off the coast of Vietnam?



The Special Forces branch of the Navy were called SEAL teams. (SEAL stood for Sea, Air and Land). SEAL teams were usually small units that went on covert or secret missions to gather information, conduct ambushes, capture Viet Cong agents or rescue POW's (Prisoner of War). They were highly trained and performed many dangerous missions in the Mekong Delta and elsewhere in Vietnam.

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The Role of the Navy

1. The following are multiple choice questions. Circle the one that is correct.

- A. The navy had three major jobs which were:**
- a) Patrol the coastal waterways to ensure ground soldiers safety and provide artillery support
 - b) Stop flow of supplies, provide artillery support, use boats to police and patrol vast inland waterways
 - c) To transport the soldiers from south coastal water to the north coastal water bringing them supplies and artillery
 - d) None of the above
- B. The first nuclear-powered aircraft carrier was called:**
- a) Deep Space Nine
 - b) The U.S.S. Enterprise
 - c) Voyager
 - d) The S.E.A.L
- C. SEAL stands for:**
- a) Secret air and land
 - b) South air and land
 - c) land, seal and ground
 - d) sea, air and land
- D. Brown Water refers to:**
- a) The Brown River
 - b) The murky brown color of the inland waterways
 - c) The brown bombs found at the bottom of the water
 - d) Both a and b
- E. SEAL teams were usually:**
- a) Large groups
 - b) small groups
 - c) separate groups
 - d) single men
- F. POW stands for:**
- a) Prisoner of War
 - b) Prison of the West
 - c) Prisoner in trouble
 - d) None of the above



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The Role of the Navy

2. Describe three major jobs of the Navy in Vietnam.

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

3. Circle the word **TRUE** if the statement is TRUE or Circle the word **FALSE** if it is FALSE.

- a) The Navy played a minor role in the Vietnam War.
TRUE FALSE
- b) One of the major jobs of the Navy was to provide artillery support.
TRUE FALSE
- c) The USS Enterprise was a diesel-powered submarine.
TRUE FALSE
- d) The Special Forces branch of the Navy was called the Green Berets.
TRUE FALSE
- e) The Brown Water Navy patrolled the deep ocean coasts off Vietnam.
TRUE FALSE

4. What is the difference between the Army and the Navy?

Diary of a Soldier

A great variety of American Forces personnel served in Vietnam. Each had their own unique experiences and daily routines. Imagine what their lives may have been like. Pick a person from the list below and research what their daily routine may have been.

Helicopter pilot

Soldier at Khe Sanh

Jet fighter pilot

SEAL team member

Prisoner of War

Navy Officer

Navy man on a patrol boat

Or a person of your own choosing

When you have picked a person and researched them write a three day diary of that person's experiences. You could talk about things like location, the terrain, what the weather was like, how they felt ... etc

Crossword Puzzle!

Americans	marines	special transportation
helicopters	North Vietnam	platoon
Hochiminh	Khesanh	regiments
la drang	South	

Across

- Air Transportation
- These soldiers man the base at Khe Sanh
- A movie about Vietnam
- a tank or jeep
- Army unit smaller than a division
- Prime Minister of Communist party
- _____ Pole

Down

- Opposite of North
- _____ War
- Base near demilitarized zone
- Large battle taking place in 1965
- Forces with elite skills
- Opposite of friend
- People full of pride

Comprehension Quiz

Part A

Circle the word **TRUE** if the statement is TRUE or Circle the word **FALSE** if it is FALSE.

- The climate in Vietnam is hot all year round.
TRUE **FALSE**
- The French were defeated in the Vietnam War.
TRUE **FALSE**
- Ho Chi Minh was the Prime Minister of the democratic party.
TRUE **FALSE**
- Guerrilla tactics were never used in the Vietnam War.
TRUE **FALSE**
- Orange Agent kills vegetation.
TRUE **FALSE**
- The Navy had three major roles in Vietnam.
TRUE **FALSE**
- The anti-war protests in the United States were always harmless with no violent rallies or marches.
TRUE **FALSE**
- "The Wall" is a Vietnam memorial made of black marble panels.
TRUE **FALSE**

Part B

Circle the answer that is most correct.

- Vietnam is found in:
A. Asia B. Europe
C. Africa D. South America
- Democratic means:
A. The Government is appointed
B. The Government stays in office until they decide to retire
C. The people vote on their government
D. The government is from the same family
- The 7th Cavalry troops arrived on the battlefield in Plei Me by:
A. Jeeps B. Tanks
C. U.S.S. Enterprise D. Helicopters
- 700 rounds per minute comes from a:
A. B-52 B. M-16
C. M-79 D. M-60

SUBTOTAL: /12

The Vietnam War Major Battles





Major Battles

1. Using a dictionary can you connect the word with the meaning?

1	War	A Military operation to strengthen a military force, or aid in the performance of its mission	A
2	Missions	Greater in number of size or amount	B
3	Regiment	A hostile meeting of opposing Military forces in the course of a war.	C
4	Major	The waging of armed conflict against an enemy.	D
5	Battle	Army unit smaller than a division.	E
6	Support	The termination of a ruler or institution.	F
7	overthrown	An operation that is assigned by a higher headquarters.	G

2. Look up the word **guerilla** in the dictionary. Write down the meaning of the word below.

3. Did the U.S. forces or the Viet Cong use guerilla tactics? Explain your answer.

1. War - D
Mission - G
Regiment - E
Major - B
Battle - C
Support - A
overthrown - F

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1. a) FALSE
b) TRUE
c) TRUE
d) TRUE
e) TRUE
f) FALSE
g) FALSE

1. A) Soldier
B) Rice
C) Agent orange

2.

a) Definitions will vary. Dictionary read a selective weed killer.

3.

g) FALSE

The introduction of the helicopter

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1. a) Military
b) 1954
c) helicopter
d) transport e) south
f) primary
g) rifle
h) north
i) tanks
j) vegetation k) orange

2.

a) FALSE
b) FALSE
c) TRUE

b) Answers will vary.

2

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3

3. Answers will vary

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4.

Answers will vary. Some suggestions are helicopters, tanks, jeeps, boats, aircraft carries, bombs

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d) TRUE
e) FALSE
f) TRUE
g) FALSE

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