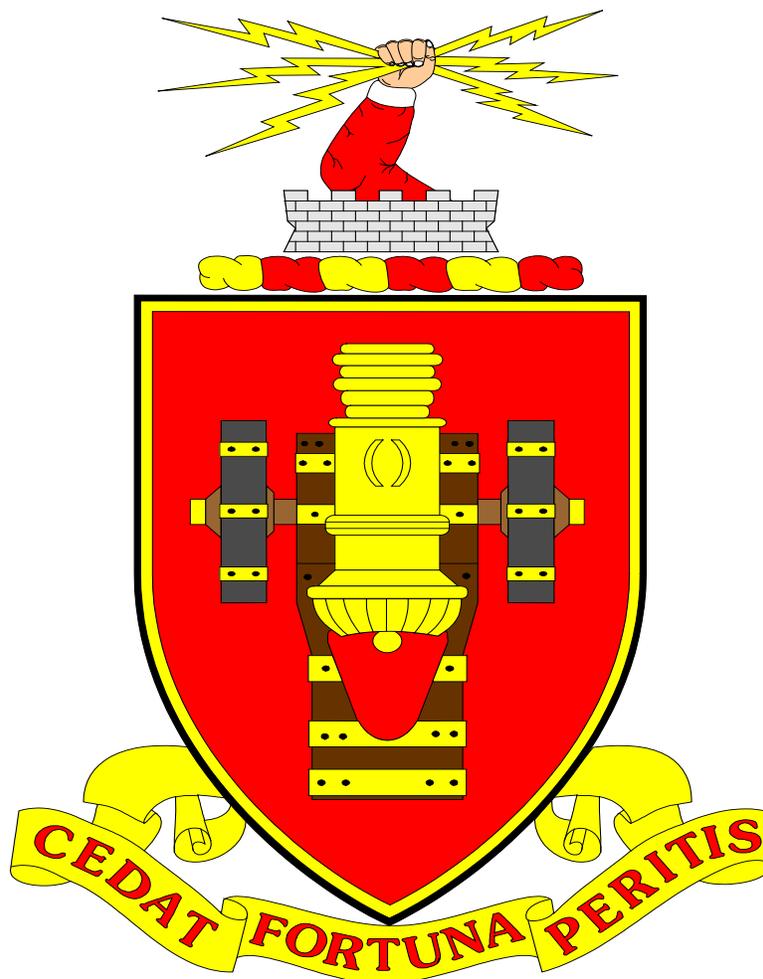


TO02MC  
HO 1  
JUN 09

BATTLE ANALYSIS  
INSTRUCTION BOOKLET



U.S ARMY FIELD ARTILLERY SCHOOL  
FORT SILL, OKLAHOMA

1. **Purpose.** To provide guidance on writing the battle analysis.
2. **Learning Objective.** The student must prepare a battle analysis that demonstrates the ability to use military history to develop critical thinking skills. Focus your analysis on one of the following issues:
  - a. Evaluate the commander's intent.
  - b. Analyze an aspect of METT-T.
  - c. Analyze the relationship between fire support and any other element of the battlefield operating systems.
  - d. Evaluate a specific aspect of combat leadership or troop leading procedures.
  - e. Analyze one element of the battlefield organization (close, deep, or rear).
3. **Task.**
  - a. Select a book(s) and analyze a specific battle or engagement.
  - b. Your analysis must include (1) what was supposed to happen, (2) what happened, and (3) the lessons learned. Focus your analysis on **one specific lesson learned.**
4. **Standards.**
  - a. Effective writing. **All papers must be easily understandable in one single rapid reading and generally free from grammatical error.**
  - b. Effective analysis. Demonstrate the ability to conduct systematic, disciplined analysis of military history and draw lessons relevant to tomorrow's battles.
5. **Administrative Instructions.**
  - a. Grading will be go/no go (pass/fail). No go papers will be required to be written again.

b. Papers may be hand written or typed.

c. Papers must be no more than two type-written pages in length (double-spaced).

d. **Be sure to cite the source(s) of your information. At the minimum include the author's name, the title of the book(s), and date of publication. Example: Glen Tucker, Chickamauga (1983).**

e. At the top of the paper include your name and class number. Example: 2lt John Smith, BOLC III 1-02.

f. Your paper must be your own work. You may ask others to review and comment on your paper. **Do not copy a fellow student's paper and put your name on it. This is plagiarism and will not be tolerated. I will turn your name(s) over to the battalion/battery for administrative action.**

g. If you have any questions or would like me to review a draft of your paper, please contact me at:

Office telephone: 442-3804  
Office: Room 19W, Snow Hall (B730)  
Email: Boyd.L.Dastrup@conus.army.mil  
Hours: 0730-1630 daily