

**U.S. ARMY FIELD ARTILLERY SCHOOL
WARRANT OFFICER INSTRUCTION BRANCH
FORT SILL, OKLAHOMA**

14 March 2011

WOBC BATTLE ANALYSIS INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Purpose.** To provide guidance on writing a 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 the following issues:
 - a. Strategic, Operational and Tactical settings for the battle.
 - b. Commanders Intent/Scheme of Maneuver for both sides.
 - c. All aspects of METT-TC (describe terrain by using OAKOC).
 - d. Technology advancements or TTPs utilized that made might have allowed one side to have the advantage over the other.
 - e. Lessons learned that are relevant to future battles.
3. **Task.**
 - a. Analyze a specific battle or engagement assigned to you by your instructor.
 - b. Your analysis must include (1) what was supposed to happen, (2) what happened, and (3) the lessons learned. Focus your analysis on lessons 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. Battle Analysis Paper
 1. Grading will be at an Associate's Degree Level graded by Dr. Dastrup.

2. Font will be size 12 Arial.
3. Length will be 6-10 pages double spaced. Cover page, minimum 4 pages of typed information and a reference page.
4. Cover page will be centered and will include: Battle Name, Your Name, Class Number, Instructor Name and Date Completed
5. Reference page will be IAW APA format.

b. One page synopsis.

1. Font will be size 12 Arial, double spaced
2. Focus on the issues listed in paragraph 2. Briefly hit the focus areas; your presentation will go further in detail.
3. At the top right of your paper (header) type your name, additionally type the name of your battle in bold and centered at the top of the page (first line available).

c. Presentation

1. Format IAW your class standards.
2. 6-10 slides that cover the focus areas listed in paragraph 2.
3. Presentation will be 15-30 minutes in length.
4. Grading will be peer evaluation. Three peers will grade your presentation at the end and state why they gave you the grade they did.

e. All three documents are due NLT 260800May 2011.

f. Presentations will be conducted on 27 June 2011.

g. 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.**