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ROYAL CANADIAN ARMY CADETS

SAMPLE OF A GOOD LESSON PLAN - DRILL



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GREEN STAR COURSE

ENABLING OBJECTIVE(S): 401.02: Formation of a Squad and Roll Call

REFERENCE(S): A. CCP-118/PH-001 Green Star Course Training Plan; Chapter 4, Page 7/8.

B. CCP-118/PT-001 Green Star Handbook; Chapter 1, Arts 16-19.

C. A-PD-201-000/PT-000 Canadian Forces Manual of Drill and Ceremonial;

Chapter 2, Arts 201 and 216.

SUPPLEMENTARY REFERENCE(S): N/A

TRG AID(S): N/A

STUDENT AID(S): N/A

METHOD: Demonstration and Performance TIME: 1 X 30 MINs

REVIEW TIME: 3 MINs

I EO 401.01: ATTENTION, STAND AT EASE AND STAND EASY

- 1. Practice the following movements with the squad calling the time, then judging the time:
 - a. attention;
 - b. stand at ease; and,
 - c. stand easy.

INTRODUCTION

TIME: 1 MIN

WHAT: During this period of instruction you will learn how to form up as a member of a squad and how to answer to your name during roll call.

WHY: A. Squad formations are needed in order to maintain control and order when doing drill. They also ensure uniformity during training.

B. The roll call is essential for determining who is present at that particular time. You must know how to respond so you can be accounted for.

WHERE: Each training night begins with everyone forming up for the roll call. It is a basic procedure that everyone must be familiar with.

BODY INSTR NOTES

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Instructor must decide which formation to use based on the number of cadets in the group (ie: five or fewer form a single rank, six to nine form two ranks, ten or more form three ranks).

TIME: 14 MINs

I STAGE 1: FORMATION OF A SQUAD

1. **Forming a Squad:** Prior to falling in, the squad will wait on the side of the drill square. On hearing the command "**FORM UP IN SINGLE (TWO OR THREE) RANK(S) - MOVE**", you will:

If a second instructor is able to assist, have them demonstrate the entire movement as you give the command.

- a. assume the **position of attention**;
- b. observe the **standard pause** (two, three);
- c. step off with the **left foot** and march forward towards the instructor;
- d. the **first cadet** who approaches the instructor will **halt** 3 paces directly in front of him/her; and,
- e. the **remainder** will cover off on the first cadet from **front** to rear and will **fall in on his/her left at arm's length** intervals.

Demonstrate a second time and explain each phase. Pay particular attention to how the cadets fall in (ie: where they are to go based on the formation used).

II <u>CONFIRMATION STAGE 1</u>

1. Depending on the size of the group, you can break them into smaller squads to practice before putting them all together. Some will have difficulty remembering where they are to go, so you check each smaller group.

Correct errors as they occur.

2. Practice formation of a squad.

III STAGE 2: <u>CALLING THE ROLL</u>

1. **Roll Call:** After the squad has formed up properly, the roll call will be taken to determine who is present. On the command "ATTENTION/ANSWER TO YOUR NAME/STAND AT - EASE", each squad member will come to attention as his/her name is called and answer in one of the following ways:

Demonstrate giving the response appropriate to the

TIME: 8 MINs

a. "SIR" or "MA'AM" if the person calling the roll is an officer, chief warrant officer, or master warrant officer:

appropriate to the instructor's rank.

- b. "WARRANT" when the roll is called by a warrant officer;
- c. "SERGEANT", "MASTER CORPORAL" or "CORPORAL" when the roll is called by a cadet holding one of these ranks.
- d. Each squad member shall stand at ease after answering to his/her name.
- 2. <u>Other Circumstances:</u> When the roll call is supervised by a person senior in rank to the person calling the roll, you will answer to your name with the **rank of the supervisor**.

EXAMPLE: If a master warrant officer is present when the roll is called by a master corporal, you will answer to your name with "SIR" or "MA'AM".

IV <u>CONFIRMATION STAGE 2</u>

1. Practice calling the roll. Ensure you have the roll call for the particular group if you are not familiar with all their names.

PERFORMANCE CHECK

TIME: 3 MINs

- I The cadets must follow correct fall in procedure for the formation of a squad and respond to the calling of the roll.
 - 1. Practice formation of squad. Emphasize again where to fall in based on the type of formation used.
 - 2. Practice calling the roll by having the cadets respond to the various ranks of your choice.

CONCLUSION

TIME: 1 MIN

SUMMARY:

- A. During this period of instruction you have learned how to form up as a member of a squad and how to respond during roll call.
- B. Remember that squad formations are needed to maintain order and to control the movements of a group of people. If we did not have a way to organize everyone, there would be a great deal of confusion.

RE-MOTIVATE:

- A. Comment on student progress.
- B. Forming up and calling the roll should be part of every cadet activity. It will soon become second nature to you.
- C. Your next drill lesson will be Marching and Halting in Quick Time.