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# School-to-Home Support for Caregivers and Teachers

This high-interest book is designed to motivate striving students with engaging topics while building fluency, vocabulary, and an interest in reading. Here are a few questions and activities to help the reader build upon his or her comprehension skills.

## Before Reading:

- *What do I think this book is about?*
- *What do I know about this topic?*
- *What do I want to learn about this topic?*
- *Why am I reading this book?*

## During Reading:

- *I wonder why...*
- *I'm curious to know...*
- *How is this like something I already know?*
- *What have I learned so far?*

## After Reading:

- *What was the author trying to teach me?*
- *What are some details?*
- *How did the photographs and captions help me understand more?*
- *Read the book again and look for the vocabulary words.*
- *What questions do I still have?*

## Extension Activities:

- *What was your favorite part of the book? Write a paragraph on it.*
- *Draw a picture of your favorite thing you learned from the book.*

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# Mission

The United States Air Force is one branch of the United States Armed Forces. It is responsible for **military operations** in the air to keep the U.S. safe.







The background of the page is a close-up, slightly blurred image of the American flag, showing the stars and stripes. The stars are white on a blue field, and the stripes are red and white. The flag is draped, creating soft folds and shadows.

# Glossary

**camouflage** (ka·muh·flaazh) Disguising items to help someone blend in with their surroundings

**civilian** (suh·vi·lyn) Someone who is not in the armed forces or police

**enlist** (uhn·list) To join the armed forces

**G suit** (G Soot) A flight suit that adds pressure to the lower body to keep blood moving up to the brain

**integrity** (uhn·teh·gruh·tee) Having strong morals

**military operations** (mi·luh·teh·ree aa·pr·ay·shnz) Armed actions in response to a situation

**mission** (mi·shn) An assignment

**oath** (owth) A promise

**U.S. Constitution** (kaan·stuh·too·shn) The rights and laws that are the basis for the government of the United States



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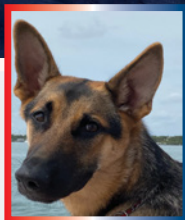
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[www.airforce.com](http://www.airforce.com)

[www.ang.af.mil](http://www.ang.af.mil)

[www.militaryonesource.mil](http://www.militaryonesource.mil)

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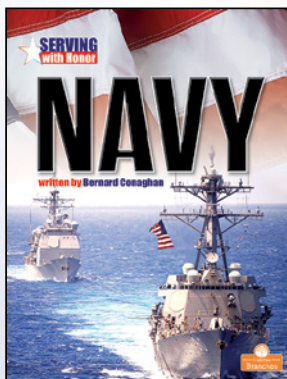
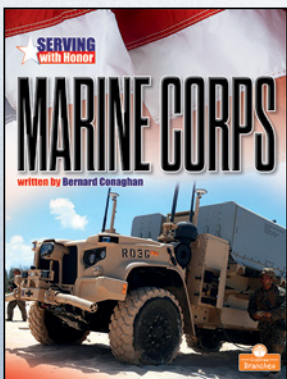
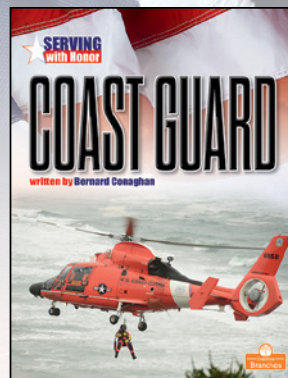
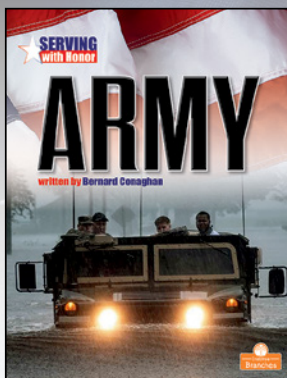
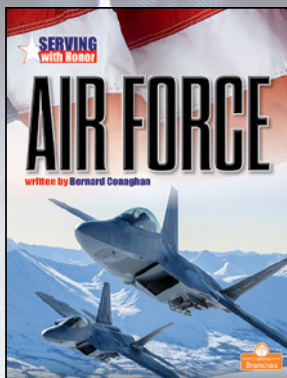






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