

# U.S. Navy's Delayed Entry Program (DEP) Practice Test (Sample)

## Study Guide



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# Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

**Remember:** successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

# How to Use This Guide

**This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:**

## **1. Start with a Diagnostic Review**

**Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.**

## **2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions**

**Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 - 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.**

## **3. Learn from the Explanations**

**After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.**

## **4. Track Your Progress**

**Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.**

## **5. Simulate the Real Exam**

**Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.**

## **6. Repeat and Review**

**Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.**

**There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!**

## Questions

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- 1. What type of attacks do aircraft carriers engage in besides airborne attacks?**
  - A. Cyber attacks**
  - B. Surface, sub-surface and shore attacks**
  - C. Logistical operations**
  - D. Electronic warfare**
  
- 2. What is the equivalent of 1700 hours in standard time?**
  - A. 5 PM**
  - B. 6 PM**
  - C. 7 PM**
  - D. 4 PM**
  
- 3. What is the primary function of the Chow Hall or Mess Deck?**
  - A. Place to sleep**
  - B. Place to eat**
  - C. Place to store equipment**
  - D. Place for recreation**
  
- 4. What is "Liberty" in naval terminology?**
  - A. Permission to leave the base**
  - B. A specific combat scenario**
  - C. A type of ship**
  - D. Gathering for inspection**
  
- 5. Which letter corresponds with the phonetic word 'F'?**
  - A. Foxtrot**
  - B. Golf**
  - C. Juliet**
  - D. Kilo**
  
- 6. What is the main role of combatant logistics ships?**
  - A. To perform underwater research and development**
  - B. To engage in offensive operations on high seas**
  - C. To provide underway replenishment to fleet units**
  - D. To conduct amphibious operations**

- 7. What is the purpose of a gear locker aboard a naval ship?**
- A. To store clothing**
  - B. To provide a place for meals**
  - C. To act as a living space**
  - D. To serve as a storage room**
- 8. What is a chit or chit book?**
- A. A military training manual**
  - B. A coupon or receipt book**
  - C. A log of crew movements**
  - D. A communication device**
- 9. What is the phonetic alphabet representation for the letter 'L'?**
- A. Lima**
  - B. Mike**
  - C. November**
  - D. Oscar**
- 10. The term "all hands" in naval context refers to what?**
- A. Only the officers on the ship**
  - B. The entire ship's company, both officer and enlisted**
  - C. Only the enlisted personnel**
  - D. The captain and commanding officers**

## Answers

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1. B
2. A
3. B
4. A
5. A
6. C
7. D
8. B
9. A
10. B

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## **Explanations**

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**1. What type of attacks do aircraft carriers engage in besides airborne attacks?**

**A. Cyber attacks**

**B. Surface, sub-surface and shore attacks**

**C. Logistical operations**

**D. Electronic warfare**

Aircraft carriers are versatile naval vessels that engage in a wide range of military operations. The correct choice reflects the multiple types of attacks they can conduct beyond aerial combat. Specifically, aircraft carriers can initiate surface attacks against enemy ships, sub-surface attacks utilizing submarines launched from the carrier or employing their onboard air assets against sub-surface targets, and shore attacks targeting land-based installations with precision strike capabilities. This multi-dimensional capability enhances the carrier's role as a central component of naval power projection. By undertaking operations in these various domains—surface, sub-surface, and against shore targets—aircraft carriers can effectively support fleet missions, protect maritime interests, and contribute to ground forces in conflict scenarios. Their ability to launch and coordinate strike missions against diverse targets exemplifies the strategic flexibility and combat readiness that define modern naval warfare.

**2. What is the equivalent of 1700 hours in standard time?**

**A. 5 PM**

**B. 6 PM**

**C. 7 PM**

**D. 4 PM**

To determine the equivalent of 1700 hours in standard time, it's essential to understand the 24-hour clock format used in military and naval contexts. In this system, 1700 hours represents the time after noon, specifically 5:00 PM. To convert from military time to standard time, you subtract 1200 from the military time if it is 1300 hours or higher. For 1700 hours:  $1700 - 1200 = 500$ . This means 500 hours in standard time, which translates to 5:00 PM. Therefore, when you look for the matching standard time, 5 PM is the correct equivalent for 1700 hours.

### 3. What is the primary function of the Chow Hall or Mess Deck?

- A. Place to sleep
- B. Place to eat**
- C. Place to store equipment
- D. Place for recreation

The primary function of the Chow Hall or Mess Deck in the U.S. Navy is to serve as a place to eat. This facility is specifically designed to provide meals to service members, ensuring that they receive the necessary nutrition to maintain their health and performance while on duty. The Chow Hall is where enlisted personnel and officers gather to enjoy their meals together, fostering camaraderie and morale within the ranks. While other options may involve different facilities or areas onboard a naval ship or base, such as sleeping quarters or recreational spaces, the Chow Hall's focus is exclusively on dining and meal service. As a vital part of military life, the Mess Deck is equipped to handle large numbers of personnel efficiently, serving a variety of meals to meet the diverse dietary needs of the crew.

### 4. What is "Liberty" in naval terminology?

- A. Permission to leave the base**
- B. A specific combat scenario
- C. A type of ship
- D. Gathering for inspection

In naval terminology, "Liberty" refers to the permission granted to service members to leave the base or their assigned duty station for a specified period. This time off allows personnel to relax, engage with the community, and enjoy personal time, separate from their military obligations. Liberty is a well-structured aspect of military life that fosters morale and allows service members to maintain a balance between their professional responsibilities and personal lives. The other options do not capture the essence of what "Liberty" means in this context. A specific combat scenario does not apply, nor does it relate to the general usage of the term in naval operations. Likewise, while a type of ship is critical in naval vocabulary, it is not synonymous with liberty. Gathering for inspection pertains to formal military procedures and is not an aspect that aligns with the concept of taking leave or permission to be away from the base.

**5. Which letter corresponds with the phonetic word 'F'?**

- A. Foxtrot**
- B. Golf**
- C. Juliet**
- D. Kilo**

The phonetic word that corresponds with the letter 'F' is "Foxtrot." This term is part of the NATO phonetic alphabet, which is used to ensure clarity in communication, especially over radio or telephone transmissions where miscommunication can occur easily. Each letter of the alphabet is assigned a distinctive word to represent it, helping to avoid confusion between similar-sounding letters. For example, "Foxtrot" is distinct enough to differentiate it from other letters, making it a preferred choice in military communications. The other words, while they represent different letters in the phonetic alphabet—like "Golf" for 'G', "Juliet" for 'J', and "Kilo" for 'K'—do not correspond to the letter 'F' and therefore cannot be the correct answer. The importance of using the correct phonetic word is highlighted in environments like the Navy, where precision is crucial.

**6. What is the main role of combatant logistics ships?**

- A. To perform underwater research and development**
- B. To engage in offensive operations on high seas**
- C. To provide underway replenishment to fleet units**
- D. To conduct amphibious operations**

The main role of combatant logistics ships is to provide underway replenishment to fleet units. This function is critical for maintaining operational readiness and sustainability of naval forces during extended deployments. Logistics ships deliver fuel, ammunition, food, and other essential supplies to combat vessels at sea, allowing them to remain operational without needing to return to port for resupply. This capability enhances the fleet's ability to carry out missions over prolonged periods, thereby contributing to the overall effectiveness of naval operations. In the context of naval strategy, effective logistics support is crucial for maintaining a fighting force's capability to operate in various theaters of engagement. Without it, ships would be constrained by their limited supplies and would have to return to port, significantly reducing their operational flexibility and responsiveness. Thus, the role of combatant logistics ships is a foundational component of naval strategy, ensuring that combat vessels can execute their missions without the interruption that would come from inadequate supply chains.

## 7. What is the purpose of a gear locker aboard a naval ship?

- A. To store clothing
- B. To provide a place for meals
- C. To act as a living space
- D. To serve as a storage room**

The primary function of a gear locker aboard a naval ship is to serve as a storage room. These lockers are specifically designed to hold various types of equipment and gear that sailors use in their daily duties and for specific missions. This can include everything from uniforms and safety gear to maintenance tools and operational equipment, ensuring that all necessary items are organized and readily accessible when needed. Storing equipment in designated gear lockers helps maintain order and efficiency aboard the ship, allowing crew members to easily find and manage their tools and gear without cluttering living or operational spaces. This organization is crucial in maintaining the overall functionality of the ship and ensuring the safety and readiness of the crew during operations.

## 8. What is a chit or chit book?

- A. A military training manual
- B. A coupon or receipt book**
- C. A log of crew movements
- D. A communication device

A chit, often referred to in military contexts, is a type of document that serves as a record of transactions or requests. It is commonly associated with a coupon or receipt system in which personnel use chits to request services, meals, or supplies, often in an informal or administrative capacity. This system helps maintain a clear and organized accounting process for both the personnel requesting items and the units providing them. In a military environment, chits facilitate the management of resources, ensuring that those who need supplies or services can formally document their requests. This is especially important in maintaining order and accountability within operations. The concept of a chit book, therefore, refers to a collection or booklet of these forms that personnel can use as needed. The other choices do not capture the essence of what a chit or chit book represents within military operations. While a military training manual would serve a different purpose focused on educational material, a log of crew movements pertains specifically to documenting personnel assignments or transfers, and a communication device would refer to tools or technologies used for transmitting information or messages, none of which relate to the transactional nature of chits.

**9. What is the phonetic alphabet representation for the letter 'L'?**

- A. Lima**
- B. Mike**
- C. November**
- D. Oscar**

The phonetic alphabet representation for the letter 'L' is "Lima." The phonetic alphabet, often referred to as the NATO phonetic alphabet, is used by the military and aviation to ensure clear communication, especially in situations where miscommunication can occur due to poor signal quality or background noise. Each letter is assigned a unique code word to avoid confusion between letters that sound similar. "Lima" is specifically used to represent the letter 'L,' making it distinct and easily recognizable in verbal communication. The other choices correspond to different letters in the phonetic alphabet, with "Mike" representing 'M,' "November" representing 'N,' and "Oscar" representing 'O.' Understanding these words is essential for effective communication in various operations involving the U.S. Navy and other branches of the military.

**10. The term "all hands" in naval context refers to what?**

- A. Only the officers on the ship**
- B. The entire ship's company, both officer and enlisted**
- C. Only the enlisted personnel**
- D. The captain and commanding officers**

In the naval context, the term "all hands" refers to the entire ship's company, encompassing both officer and enlisted personnel. This expression is often used to convey a message or call to action that requires the participation or acknowledgment of everyone aboard, ensuring that all ranks and positions are included in whatever task or announcement is being made. "All hands" signifies unity and cohesion within the naval crew, emphasizing that every individual, regardless of their rank or role, is an essential part of the vessel's operations and mission. This inclusive approach fosters teamwork and reinforces the importance of each member in maintaining the efficiency and effectiveness of the naval force.

## Next Steps

**Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.**

**As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.**

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