

# Veterans Day

## **What is Veterans Day?**

Veterans Day is on November 11. It is an American holiday to honor people who have completed military service or who are currently serving in the military. It is a federal holiday, so schools, banks, post offices, and government buildings are closed. Police, fire fighters, airline pilots, doctors and nurses work on Veteran's Day.

## **How many military branches does the United States have?**

There are five U.S. military branches: Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, and Coast Guard. The President of the United States is the Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. military.

## **Which military branch has the most soldiers?**

The U.S. Army has more soldiers than the other military branches. It is also the oldest branch. The Army is responsible for land-based military operations and includes the National Guard and the Army Reserve.

## **Which military branch specializes in seaborne operations?**

The U.S. Navy specializes in seaborne operations. The Navy uses ships, submarines, and planes to protect waterways like oceans and lakes.

## **What are the duties of the Marines?**

The Marines conduct special military operations that require landing on foreign soil from bodies of water. Marine operations include land-air power.

## **What are the duties of the Air Force?**

The Air Force uses planes and other types of aircraft in military operations.

## **What are the duties of the Coast Guard?**

The Coast Guard protects the coast of the United States, enforces maritime laws, conducts search and rescue operations, and much more.