

V-Mail Letter Assessment

You have been assigned to explore one of the campaigns in which the 64th Troop Carrier Group participated. While you explore the campaign on *World War II: A Visual History* interactive, pay attention to the readings, timeline, maps, and video footage. Choose one person represented in the information and think about what he or she might have experienced. Predict what he or she might have been feeling about those experiences. Use the V-Mail Letter Research Organizer to make notes as you explore the interactive.

Once you have completed your research, compose a letter as if you were the person you saw represented in the video. Compose a brief letter home explaining your contribution to the specified campaign in World War II. Describe one of your basic duties and how you might feel about your experience. Make sure to include factual details from the *World War II: A Visual History* interactive such as the campaign name and objective, date, location, weather conditions, etc. For the purposes of this assignment, censorship regulations have been greatly relaxed.

Make sure to read and follow all official government directions included on the V-Mail Form. Double check your work against the information in the V-Mail Letter Assessment Rubric before submitting it.

Some ideas to consider as you plan your letter:

- Think about how the tone of the letter might be different based on the intended audience. Would it be different written to a mother versus a brother who is also in the war?
- Censorship guidelines have been greatly relaxed. Write one detail in the letter using coded language.
- Print your letter neatly using dark ink or pencil. Very small writing is not suitable.
- Stay inside the lines on the V-Mail Form. If you need more than one page, you must completely fill out an additional V-Mail Form.
- Use BLOCK letters in both of the the address spaces.

Campaign Assignments:

- Algeria–French Morocco (1942)
- India–Burma (1942-1945)
- Naples–Foggia (1943-1944)
- Northern France (1944)
- Southern France (1944)
- Rome–Arno (1944)
- Anzio (1944)
- North Apennines (1944-1945)
- Po Valley (1944-1945)