**Mission Analysis Exercise (MAE) / Backbriefs**

**General Description of the Task:**

This is a performance task involving Mission analysis and a back brief. The squads will conduct mission analysis using METT-TC and a threat assessment. The Soldiers will work together as a squad and conduct mission analysis. This task will run for approximately three hours for all squads to prepare and brief. The task is complete when all squads have back briefed their mission.

**Prior to the Start: (Prep time 30 min)**

The instructor will:

1. Prepare: Get from the lead instructor the following: the scenario with graphics for your squad, a copy of the information to be briefed, an easel and dry erase markers.
2. Setup: Move the squad into a location where they can all work together and gather around the order and graphics. Make sure that the squad is centrally located around their easel.
3. Brief - Tell the Soldiers the following: I will act as the CoIST for this mission and I will answer any question or request. NOTE. *Become familiar with the order and graphics before issuing them to the Soldiers. Make sure that you are prepared to answer questions. Go over the requirements for the squad brief that they are required to present at the end of the mission analysis portion.*
4. Notify: Tell the Soldiers that they will conduct the mission analysis first before sending up a list for enablers or planning routes etc. If your squad starts any of these tasks before you complete the mission analysis, I will stop you and have you start over.

**Performance Learning Objectives (The Learner will…)**

1. conduct mission analysis using METT-TC
2. conduct a detailed threat assessment.
3. plan the mission using the information gained during the mission analysis.

**Critical Learning Points (The Learner will…)**

1. conduct mission analysis and course of action development for a dismounted movement of personnel and equipment IAW the published OPORD time line and mission requirements.
2. know that leaders cannot plan and issue an OPORD without conducting detailed mission analysis and conducting a threat assessment.

**Safety Precautions:**

1. Safety must be paramount in the complex outdoor environment and is everyone's responsibility.
2. During the training process, instructors will utilize the 5-Step Risk Management process to determine the safest and most complete method to train. Every precaution will be taken in the field conditions given.
3. The instructor will brief the Soldiers on for outdoor contingencies (i.e. rally points, severe weather, WBGT/Kestrel set up, etc).

**Equipment per Team:**

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| Squad Operations Order | Briefing requirement sheet | Dry erase markers |
| Graphics | Planning class handouts | Proxima Equipment |
| easel | Computer with graphics | Screen for Proxima |

**Squad Rotation Schedule: (Completion approx 3hrs)**

Allow all squads two hours to conduct mission analysis and to prepare their brief.

Allow a half an hour per squad to brief (approx. 1.5 hours for all three squads). The rotation for briefings is first squad, second squad and, third squad.