

Soldiers Say 'Thank You for the Letters'



Language Practice: Find the Mistakes

Read the letter to a soldier below. In this letter, we have included ten errors of spelling, capitalization, punctuation, or word use. Circle the errors you find. Can you find all ten?

Dear Soldier.

I am writing to thank you for your service to our country. I hope you know how much millions of other americans and I appreciate you efforts and sacrifice. You and the other women and man serving with you are helping to make the world a better and safer place to live.

Even though you are many miles away today, I want you to no that you are being remembered. You are in my thoughts and prayers Everyday. I hope you will stay safe and be home with you're loved wons soon.

Please keep up the good work!

James B Smith

More Language Practice: Building Vocabulary

In each sentence, color the circle before the word that means most nearly the same as the underlined word.

- Students wrote letters to an army unit that was stationed in Iraq.
 a. based b. celebrated c. founded d. trained
- The soldier visited students when he as on a leave from his unit in Afghanistan.
 a. tour b. arrival c. stop d. break
- Soldiers thanked the students for the letters and packages they sent.
 a. suitcases b. wraps c. magazines d. bundles
- "We get the biggest kick out of your letters," the soldier said.
 a. boot b. pleasure c. slam d. stamp
- Letters from students can help to inspire soldiers.
 a. insist b. motivate c. protect d. teach

Reading Comprehension: What's the Main Idea?

Color the circle next to the statement that best sums up the main idea of this week's *News for You* article.

- a. Soldiers really appreciate letters and packages that students send them.
- b. An American flag that flew in Afghanistan stands as a symbol of freedom.
- c. Sgt. Schmitt keeps military trucks in good repair.
- d. Many people wear yellow ribbons as a reminder of our men and women serving in Iraq.