

Military: Phrases and Idioms

Any organization as huge as the military will have an impact on the language that it speaks. I know that, in Germany, there are a lot of German phrases that originally referred to military ideas, and now they're part of standard German. And English is no different. There are a lot of military expressions in 'everyday' English. Here are some idioms that I use pretty often:

- AWOL
- Face the music
- Hurry up and wait
- Mandatory Fun

After You've Heard the Recording

Have you ever been AWOL from an English class? Or from work? Do you have any experience with hurry-up-and-wait? Have you ever had 'mandatory' fun? Was it really fun?