

The University of Saigon Final Exam

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Show up for duty and know where to go.
Be alert for your buddies all in a row.
Trust your k9. He's been there before.
Make sure he has clean food and water at his kennel door.

Get on the right truck with all your gear.
Try not to show your innermost fear.
Know your drop-off place and the lonely walk to your post.
And try to forget all the stories of French soldier ghosts.

Quarter that post and report to CSC and the man.
Then look for some cover in the lay of the land.
Help the new guys as much as you can.
Your bacon may depend on them somewhere just beyond the bend.

Your grade for the exam is left up to you.
Remember you were very young and willing and that should count a lot too.
So don't judge yourself too hard. We did the best we could.
We showed up for duty as every soldier should.