

Case-Ex: “Inspired Resolve” (PV2 Colter)

Example Questions

Part 1

[Watch Part 1 of “Inspired Resolve”]

1. PV2 Colter says, “I wasn’t going to be in the military—no way. I was becoming the problem for my platoon by just not caring.” What impact does each Soldier’s demeanor have on unit climate and cohesion?
2. What was limiting PV2 Colter’s performance in the Army? Why is it critical for each Soldier to feel a “call to service” in order to perform at the level of a professional?

Part 2

[Watch Part 2 of “Inspired Resolve”]

3. What do you think occurred between PV2 Colter’s negative attitude in Part 1 and his participation in this life changing event? What part did PV2 Colter’s Platoon Sergeant play in preparing Colter for that moment?
4. PV2 Colter says, “Everyone showed their own personal courage... it made me proud to say... that I am a Soldier. I wasn’t scared to put my life on the line.” How did this event affect PV2 Colter’s perception of his service, and how has this altered his professional identity?
5. How do our experiences impact our moral character and professional commitment to the Army?

Part 3

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6. How does PV2 Colter now view his own individual role in the military?
7. PV2 Colter describes the IED event as a, “humbling experience,” that helped to, “turn him around and make him want to better (himself).” How will this experience impact him as he progresses into leadership positions where he will be developing Soldiers? How will this experience help him as he makes difficult decisions in the future?

Part 4

[Watch Part 4 of “Inspired Resolve”]

7. Describe the type of leadership SFC Miller used in his role as platoon sergeant? What impact(s) did it have on PV2 Colter as a person and as a Soldier?
8. What role does trust play in the relationship between a leader and his/her subordinates?
9. What professional responsibilities do leaders, such as SFC Miller, have in developing subordinates such as PV2 Colter? What are the implications if this type of stewardship does not exist within a unit?