

Case-Ex: Deliberate Pressure (SSG Miner)

Example Questions

Part 1

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1. What decision(s) does SSG Miner face, and what options can he use to address the situation?
2. SSG Miner says, “I couldn’t live with myself if I caused an aircraft to go down.” Why is SSG Miner responsible for the mistake and potentially the crash of the aircraft even though he did not personally take the shortcut?
3. What are the ethical considerations SSG Miner should evaluate in his decision making process?
4. What opportunities to develop the Soldier could SSG Miner embrace? What responsibility—as a professional Soldier—does SSG Miner have to develop his subordinates?
5. What example of leadership would SSG Miner set for his soldiers if he did not address the mistake and take ownership of the issue?
6. What impact could his decision(s) as a leader have on the mission at large?

Part 2

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1. What actions does SSG Miner take that display characteristics of the Army Profession?
2. How could his Soldiers interpret his actions, and what leadership example did he set by following up with his Soldier?
3. How did SSG Miner show his respect for his Soldier that took the shortcut? For the pilots and his fellow Soldiers? For the Army?
4. How did SSG Miner develop the necessary character traits and integrity to handle the situation in the manner he did? How does the Army Profession instill those traits in its members?
5. How does trustworthiness vary within units and within the Army as a whole? How can a lack of trust and commitment between Soldiers affect mission accomplishment?