

ARMY VALUES Case-Ex: Loyalty

Facilitator Guide: SSG Green (Combat)

FACILITATOR NOTE-BOLD QUESTIONS are Embedded in the Case-Ex video interface and incorporated into this guide and or you can create your own.

Motivator: Saving the life of another person is not something other professions usually train or a skill set they possess. Yet it is a level of commitment and loyalty that exists among professional Soldiers.

Facilitator opening question:	Q- Why is it important that Soldiers develop these bonds?
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Read to audience- Close friendships, both professionally and personally are developed during your career as a professional Soldier. Bonds that can be severed by a single act or that remain through death are the result of mutual trust and loyalties.

Facilitator Questions-	Q- Never leave a buddy behind, what does this mean?
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FACILITATOR NOTE: (Bolded questions are included in the Case-Ex video interface)

Video synopsis- SSG Green describes his deployment to Iraq and his close friendship with SSG Shaffer. While SSG Green is on QRF, he learns that SSG Shaffer has hit an IED—and has no radio communication...SSG Green responds and saves his friend.



ARMY VALUES Case-Ex: Loyalty (continued)

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Facilitator NOTE- Play Part 1 of video-

<p>Facilitator Questions-</p> <p>Use examples or create your own.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. What events and experiences have built the loyalty we see between SSG Green and SSG Shaffer?2. What role did SSG Green's loyalty and commitment to SSG Shaffer have in his decision to respond and provide QRF support?3. Does SSG Green face any potential conflicts in regards to the safety of his soldiers?4. Could duty to his soldiers and loyalty to his friend conflict in this situation and why?5. Should SSG Green have assessed the level of sacrifice he was requiring his soldiers to accept based on the personal loyalty he had to SSG Shaffer?6. Should there be a separation between professional and personal loyalties?7. How are those loyalties manifested in a Soldier's decision-making ability?
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Facilitator NOTE- Play Part 2 of video-

Video Synopsis- As the deployment continues, SSG Green finds himself on a patrol. He turns into an alley and spots a trigger man, and is then jarred by the blast of the IED that immobilizes his Bradley and knocks him out. SSG Green talks about the bonds of loyalty, and how he knew that SSG Shaffer would come to his aid.



Facilitator Questions-

Use examples or create your own.

- 1. What example were SSG Green and SSG Shaffer setting as leaders?**
2. How were their actions most likely interpreted by their Soldiers?
- 3. How does the Army Profession ensure Soldiers have the ethical and moral foundation to make the correct decision(s) when faced with life and death situations in combat?**
- 4. Is the current professional climate in the Army conducive to developing these traits in junior and senior leaders alike? Why or why not?**
- 5. During combat, what effect does this trustworthiness have on the actions of an individual Soldier? On an entire unit? On the Army as a whole?**
6. Can the Army effectively perform its assigned duties without trustworthiness amongst its members, and why?

Check on Learning

Determine if the students have learned the material presented by soliciting student questions and explanations. Ask the students questions and correct misunderstandings.

