

Marine Corps History

Founding of the Marine Corps

- **When was the Marine Corps founded?**
November 10, 1775
 - **Where was it founded?**
Tun Tavern, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
 - **Why was it founded?**
To serve as a landing force for the Navy during the American Revolutionary War.
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Important Figures in Marine Corps History

- **Who are the only two Marines to receive two Medals of Honor?**
Major General **Smedley Butler** and Gunnery Sergeant **Dan Daly**
 - **Who is the most decorated Marine in history?**
Lieutenant General **Lewis "Chesty" Puller**, awarded **5 Navy Crosses**
 - **Who was the first female Marine?**
Opha May Johnson, enlisted in August 13, 1918
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Marine Corps Emblem and Motto

- **What does EGA stand for?**
Eagle, Globe, and Anchor
 - **What does the Eagle represent?**
The United States
 - **What does the Globe represent?**
Worldwide service and Marine Corps global presence
 - **What does the Anchor represent?**
The Marine Corps' **naval tradition** and connection to the **U.S. Navy**
 - **What is the Marine Corps motto?**
Semper Fidelis – Always Faithful
 - **What are the Marine Corps Core Values?**
Honor, Courage, Commitment
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Marine Corps Symbols and Meaning

- **What is the significance of the Blood Stripe?**
Honors Marines killed at the **Battle of Chapultepec in 1847**
 - **What is the purpose of the Crucible?**
A **final test of endurance** during recruit training
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Marine Corps Traditions and Discipline

General Orders (11 Total) - [Download the General Orders File](#)

Code of Conduct

Code of Conduct (6 Articles) - Download the Code of Conduct File

Marine Corps Boot Camp

- How long is bootcamp?
13 weeks
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Leadership Traits (14 Total) - Download the Leadership Traits File

Quick Review Questions (from the MCStudy app)

Flashcards:

1. **Who are the two Marines that have received two Medals of Honor?**
→ *Smedley Butler & Dan Daly*
 2. **Who is the most decorated Marine in history?**
→ *LtGen Chesty Puller*
 3. **What does EGA stand for?**
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True or False:

- The Marine Corps was founded on November 10, 1775 →  True
 - Opha May Johnson was the first female Marine →  True
 - There are 10 Marine Corps General Orders →  False (there are 11)
 - The anchor represents ties to the U.S. Navy →  True
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Extra Knowledge

- **What does “Feat” mean in the Marine Corps?**
An act of **courage, strength, or skill**; a notable **achievement**
- **What department is the Marine Corps a part of?**
The **Department of the Navy**