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BOOK

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Scope and Sequence

Unit	Topic	Vocabulary	Function
1	Parts of an Airplane	cockpit, fuselage, aileron, rudder, turboprop, turbine engine, landing gear, horizontal stabilizer, vertical stabilizer, flap, elevator, wing, tail, nose, fixed wing	Identifying objects
2	Parts of a Helicopter	rotor blade, stabilizer bar, swashplate, cowl, mast, motor mount, skid, tail boom, tail skid, tail rotor, synchronized elevator, rotary-wing aircraft	Showing agreement
3	Spatial Relationships	pitch, roll, yaw, axis, maneuver, rise, dive, above, below, ascend, descend	Giving advice
4	Radio Communication	radio communication, phonetic alphabet, proword, roger, over, say again, wilco, affirmative, negative, connection	Asking for repetition (radio)
5	Rank Structure	rank, enlisted, airmen tier, NCO tier, Senior NCO Tier, company-grade officer, captain, lieutenant, field-grade officer, major, colonel, general, flag officer	Greetings
6	Base Structures	commissary, BX, consolidated support building, dormitory, family housing, officer's club, law enforcement armory, pass and registration office	Offering suggestions
7	NATO Organization	NATO, military committee, ACO, ACT, SACEUR, SHAPE, JFC, AOR, SACLANT, JWC, JFTC, NURC	Clarifying information
8	Military Organization	subcommand, wing, group, squadron, flight, operations group, maintenance group, mission support group, medical group, wing staff	Talking about what might happen
9	Training	Basic Military Training, IED familiarization, basic situational awareness, defensive fighting positions, entry control point, CBRNE, AFSC, technical training, expeditionary training	Correcting an error
10	Uniforms	Service Dress, insignia, Mess Dress, Utility Uniform, Airman Battle Uniform, headgear, flight suit	Defining / Explaining
11	Pilot	Initial Flight Screening, ENJJPT, SUPT, contact flight, instrument flight, low-level flight, formation flight, airlift, tanker	Emphasizing difficulty
12	Air Traffic Control	Air Traffic Controller, airfield, plot, maintain, certify, stress, direct, relay, compute, airspeed, altitude, taxi, runway	Checking information
13	Maintenance	condition, fully mission capable, inspection, preventative, functional, maintenance, fuel, hydraulic fluid, repair	Offering solutions
14	Pararescue	pararescue, PJs, search and rescue, treat, injured, paramedic, CPR, proficient, scuba, Physical Ability and Stamina Test	Checking if someone understands you
15	Weather	analyze, forecast, atmosphere, computer model, meteorology, predict, oceanography, hub, windspeed, ground, lightning, thunderstorm, cloud, fog, snow, hail, gust, turbulence, icing, temperature, atmospheric pressure, precipitation, front	Making comparisons

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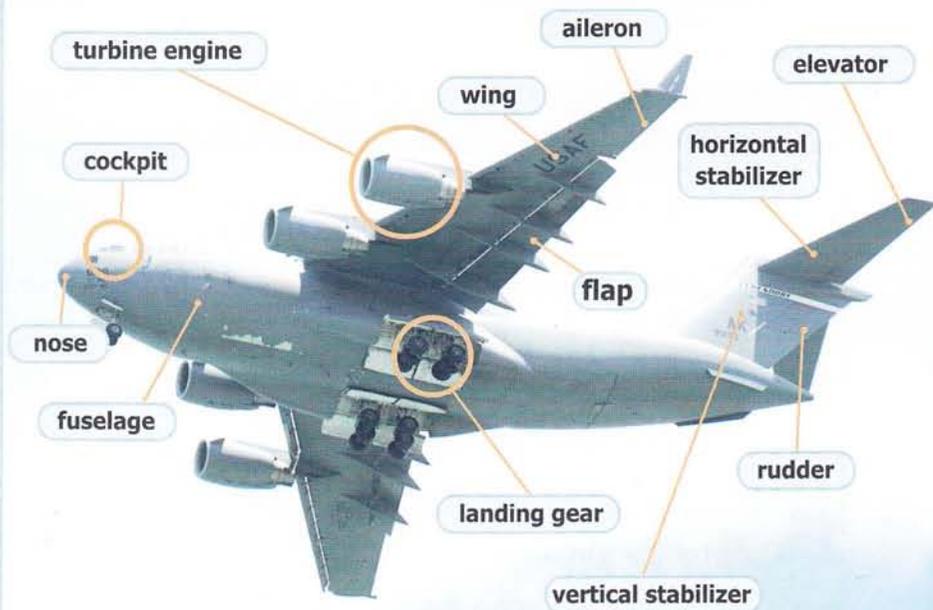
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1 Aircraft Basics: Parts of an Airplane

The differences between small fighters and large cargo planes are obvious. But all **fixed-wing** aircraft require the same basic structures.

Every airplane has **wings** attached to the **fuselage**. The **cockpit** sits behind the **nose**, and the **tail** supports the **vertical** and **horizontal stabilizers**. **Rudders**, **ailerons** and **elevators** control direction. Flaps provide lift. Aircraft roll on **landing gear** during takeoff and landing.

But not all airplanes have the same type of engine. Most modern military airplanes have **turbine engines**. Other airplanes use **turboprops**. These are more efficient for medium-sized transports.



Parts of an airplane



Comprehension

1 Read, listen, and choose the correct answers.

- Which structure is located at the tail of an airplane?
A the cockpit
B the landing gear
C the vertical stabilizer
D the turboprops
- The following parts all control direction, EXCEPT the...
A fuselage.
B ailerons.
C elevators.
D flaps.
- What does the passage say about turboprops?
A Heavier military airplanes use them.
B They attach to the vertical stabilizers.
C They are not used for large transports.
D They create higher speeds than turbines.

Vocabulary

2 Match the definitions (A-H) to the correct parts of an airplane (1-8).

- | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 __ fuselage | 5 __ cockpit |
| 2 __ turboprop | 6 __ tail |
| 3 __ landing gear | 7 __ nose |
| 4 __ flap | 8 __ vertical stabilizer |

- A the rear part of an aircraft
B a part that increases force
C the central part of an aircraft's body
D a part that prevents sideways motion
E the part of an aircraft where pilots sit
F the structure that supports an aircraft
G the front part of an aircraft
H an aircraft engine that uses a propeller

3 Complete the sentences with the terms below.

rudder elevator turbine engines
fixed-wing ailerons wings
horizontal stabilizers

- 1 The roll planes from side to side.
- 2 The pilot can't turn because the is broken.
- 3 move planes at high speeds.
- 4 Aircraft need to keep the nose level.
- 5 create lift and store fuel.
- 6 The guides planes up and down.
- 7 Airplanes are aircraft.

Listening

- 4 Listen to a description of a C-130 Hercules. Write down key vocabulary (that is, words in bold in the text on p. 4) that you hear.

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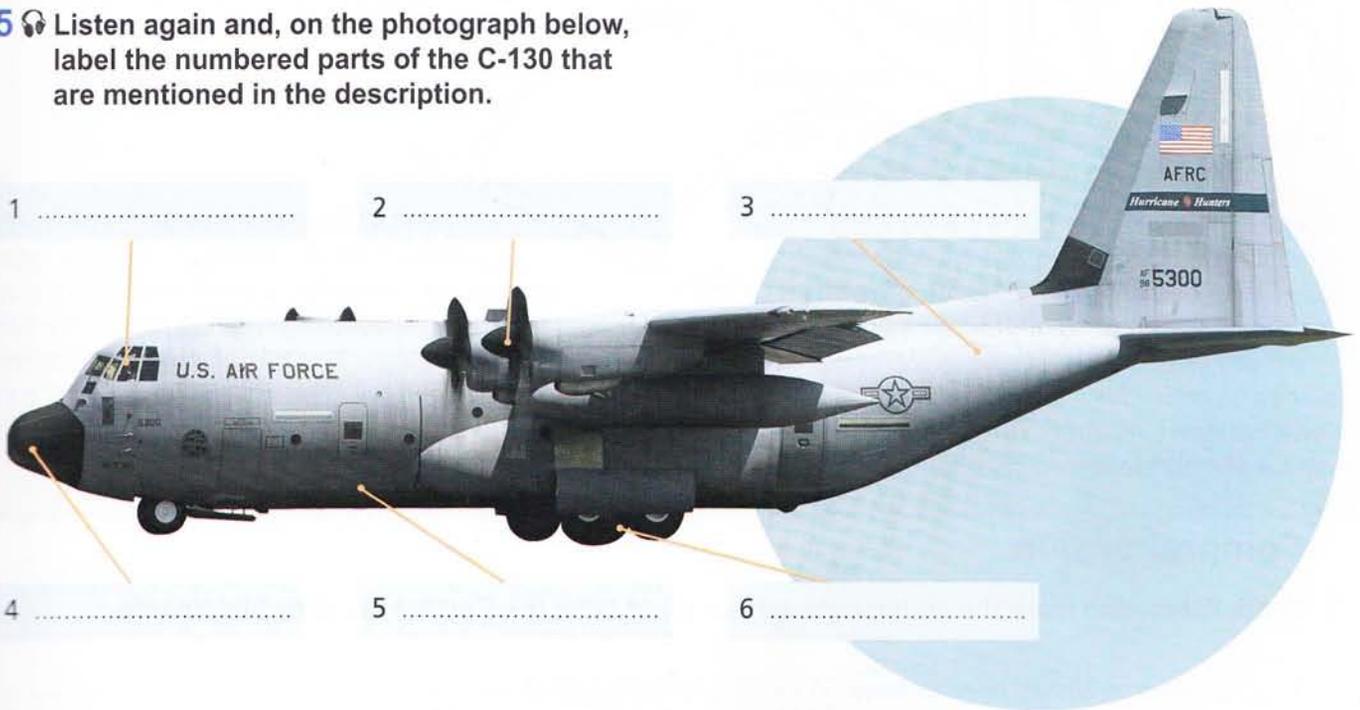
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C-130

- 5 Listen again and, on the photograph below, label the numbered parts of the C-130 that are mentioned in the description.



- 1 2 3
- 4 5 6

Speaking

- 6 Identify the parts of an aircraft that control motion. Explain what each part does.