

**PRE-DEPLOYMENT**

# Ask questions to stay informed

**Materials:** Worksheets, deployment templates, pencils

**Directions:** Read the worksheet, complete the activity and discuss with the Group.

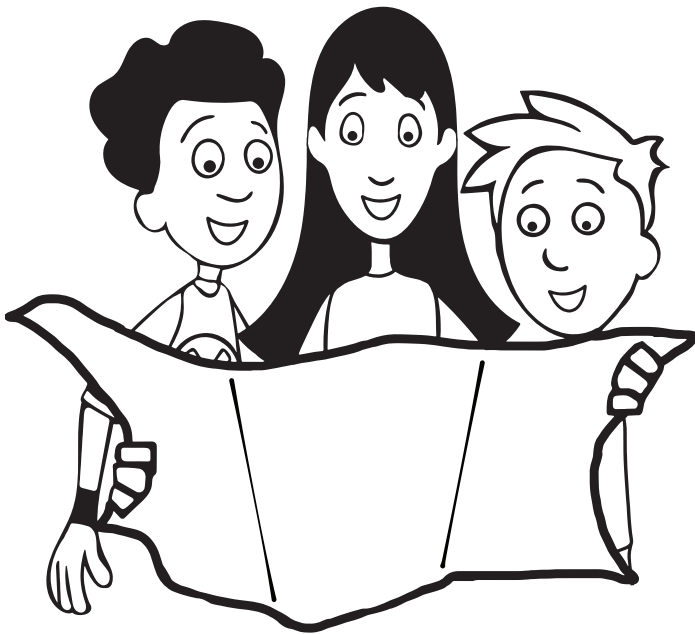
Pre-deployment is the period when your family is still at home and your special person hasn't deployed.

It's a great time to talk about how things will be during deployment.

It's important to stay informed about the upcoming deployment. This is the right time to ask questions and communicate.

But what questions should you ask?

Today, we're going to discuss ways you can use the pre-deployment period to prepare for deployment.



## ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 Look at your pre-deployment template. Let's read the eight questions and then brainstorm other questions to ask about deployment. Be sure to write everyone's ideas on the template under "Other questions to ask about deployment."
- 2 When you get home, discuss the template questions with your special person and family. Write down the answers as you ask and discuss each question.

Deployment can be emotionally difficult. This is a super opportunity to learn everything you can to ease your worries. Your special person may share things you haven't even thought of!



## DEPLOYMENT QUESTIONS

1. What is the date of deployment? .....
2. How long is the deployment? .....
3. Where will you be stationed? .....
4. How long is the plane ride? .....
5. What is the time difference between home and there? .....
6. What language is spoken? .....
7. What do they eat? .....
8. What do they wear? .....

### Other questions to ask about deployment: