



Radio Battle Ships Activity

Skill development: Basic grid reference map reading & Radio skills activity

Equipment required: 2 walkie talkies per Six, Patrol, team

Instructions



- Each team has 12 ships: 2x Aircraft Carrier, 2x Battleship, 2x Cruiser, 3x Destroyer, and a 3x Submarine.
- Each team Plots each of their five ships ship horizontally or vertically on their **My Ships** grid, one letter in each square.
- The Aircraft Carrier takes up 5 squares with AAAAA, the Battleship takes four squares BBBB, a Cruiser CCC a destroyer DD and a sub just one S in one square.
- Notice that each square has a letter-number “grid reference” for example **C-5**.
- Each member of the teams take turns “shooting” at your opponent’s ships like this: Pick a blank square on the **Their Ships** grid.
- Call out the square’s grid reference over the radio, using the Phonetic Alphabet, for example **CHARLIE-5**. Your opponent then marks that square on their **My Ships** grid, and call out on the radio whether the shot was a **HIT** or a **MISS**.
- They mark the square with an **X** for a hit or an **O** for a miss. When a hit is scored they ask for the shooting team members name and that team member gives their name phonetically
- You mark that square the same way on the **Their Ships** grid.
- If all the squares on a ship have been hit, the ship has been sunk, and call out “YOU SANK MY (name of ship)” on the radio.
- The winner is the player who sinks all of their opponent’s ships (or, if you run out of time, whoever has scored the most hits.)
- The winners get a prize – evening off camp wash up, badge , treat etc as appropriate
- Score sheet and instructions can be printed and laminated and re used by using fine tip dry marker pens such as <https://www.huntoffice.ie/show-me-fine-point-slim-barrel-drywipe-marker-black-10pack-fpsdp.html>

Phonetic Alphabet

A - alpha	N - november
B - bravo	O - oscar
C - charlie	P - papa
D - delta	Q - quebec
E - echo	R - romeo
F - foxtrot	S - sierra
G - golf	T - tango
H - hotel	U - uniform
I - india	V - victor
J - juliet	W - whiskey
K - kilo	X - x-ray
L - lima	Y - yankee
M - mike	Z - zulu

