



# The Army

The Army is the largest branch of the United States military. It is responsible for military operations that take place on the land. The Continental Army was established in 1775. Today, what was formed as the War Department in 1789 is known as the Department of Defense. The Department of Defense oversees all the branches of the military. A person who serves in the Army is called a soldier.

**DIRECTIONS:** Fill in the blanks in each sentence.

1. The Army is the \_\_\_\_\_ branch of the U.S. military.
2. The Army is responsible for military operations that take place on \_\_\_\_\_.
3. A person who serves in the Army is called a \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ oversees all the branches of the military.