

The Defense of Jisr Al Doreaa
Practical Exercise 5 “Build a Patrol Schedule”
(Instructor Notes)

Practical Exercise Guidance

In his third dream 2LT Connors sends out patrols from the out post. Developing a patrol schedule is a complicated task that requires deliberate thought. How would you have organized and deployed your patrols?

Task: Create a patrol schedule for 1st Platoon

Conditions: Given the same mission and troops that were available to 2LT Connors.

Standards: Complete a written patrol schedule with a complete troop to task matrix; include defensive positions, rest cycle, and patrols. Include a task/purpose for each patrol. Brief your composition, manning and routes for each patrol in a 24 hour period.



Talking Points

1. Ensure troop to task addresses rest cycle, patrolling, and manning of the COP
 - a. With limited resources where has the student accepted risk?
 - b. How has the student maximized his assets based on his recon objectives and possible enemy courses of action?
2. Does each patrol have a task purpose? If given a reconnaissance mission does the patrol have intelligence requirements, recon focus and tempo?
3. Is the patrol manning and equipment adequate?
 - a. Communications

- b. Crew served weapons*
- c. HA materials*
- d. Optics*
- e. CASEVAC assets, poleless litters*