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**PART I
COVER SHEET**

CAP 3 SEMESTER 1 WEEK 18

COURSE: Armstrong Leadership Laboratory, Achievement 8

LESSON TITLE: Researching the Selected Topic for Writing and Speech Assignment

LENGTH OF LESSON: 50 Minutes

METHOD: Informal Lecture

REFERENCE(S): None

AUDIO/VISUAL AIDS/HANDOUTS/ACTIVITY MATERIAL(S):

1. School Library Reference Books
2. Computer
3. Index cards (3 x 5) for note taking

COGNITIVE OBJECTIVE: N/A

COGNITIVE SAMPLES OF BEHAVIOR: N/A

AFFECTIVE OBJECTIVE: The objective of this series of lessons is for each cadet to know the basics of writing a paper and giving a speech.

AFFECTIVE SAMPLES OF BEHAVIOR: Each cadet will write a 300-500 word essay and present to the unit a 5-7 minute speech.

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PART II TEACHING PLAN

Introduction

ATTENTION: Welcome back! Today, we are going to the school library to conduct research on selected topics for your essays and speeches.

MOTIVATION: This is an opportunity for you to demonstrate your skills in finding information using the computer and reference books. For those of you that are more skilled on the computer, please help those that aren't. The same goes for those with knowledge of reference books.

OVERVIEW: During today's class you will conduct research on the topic of your essay and your speech. Keep in mind that the essays will be 300-500 words and the speech being 5-7 minutes.

TRANSITION: So, let's go to the library.

Body

Note: The cadets will use the school library to research material on their selected topics for the written essay and speech, taking notes for future use and reference. The notes should be written on 3 x 5 index cards.

Conclusion

SUMMARY: We have researched the material needed to complete the written and speech assignment of this achievement by using the school library and computer.

REMOTIVATION: The use of the reference books and computer is an important method of finding information that you need. This is an excellent way to find information for any tasks that you may be faced with in the future.

CLOSURE: It is time for you to start thinking about the order in which you wish to present the material that you have gathered for your essay and speech. Start organizing your material for next week when we will begin to construct the outlines that you will use.

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**PART III
LESSON REVIEW**

LESSON OBJECTIVE(S): The objective of this class is for each cadet to research material on the topic for his/her written essay and speech.

LESSON QUESTIONS: N/A