

POWERS OF OFFICERS AND SNCO'S

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| <p>Colonel — Leaps over tall buildings with a single bound
Is faster than a speeding bullet
Can fly higher than a mighty rocket
Can stop a powerful locomotive with one hand
Gives policy guidance to God.</p> <p>Lt Col — Must take a running start to leap tall buildings
Is just as fast as a speeding bullet
When flying can not penetrate the atmosphere
Is as powerful as a locomotive
Talks with God.</p> <p>Maj — Can leap over short buildings
Not quite as fast as a flying bullet
Only flies as high as a DC3
Loses tug of war with locomotive
Listens to God.</p> <p>Capt — Crashes into buildings when attempting to leave them
Can shoot bullets
Has trouble flying
Gets run over by locomotives
Talks to animals.</p> <p>Lt — Stumbles into buildings when attempting to enter
Wounds self when attempting to shoot bullets
Can barely walk
Never heard of a locomotive
Talks to walls.</p> <p>2Lt — Cannot recognize buildings
Gets all wet when playing with water pistol
Still crawling
Never heard a train whistle
Talks to anyone who will listen.</p> <p>WO 1 — Assists Majors to leap over short buildings
Catches speeding bullets in his teeth
Goes into orbit
Regards motives as "Loco" thought
Agrees with God.</p> <p>CSM — Abuses building in his path
Makes bullets for "Subalterns"
Has trouble getting off the ground
Leaves movements to experts
Has great affinity for animals.</p> <p>CCMS — Insists on buildings being paved
Is reluctant to ever use bullets
Understands walking as a theory
Indents for locomotives
Uses signs for communication.</p> | <p>Pl Sgt — Is careless with buildings
Is enamoured with safety catches
Practices crawling
Is terrified of movements either truck or locomotive
Can talk but prefers barking.</p> |
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SOLIDERS SLANG

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The old Australian Soldier has a language quite of his own
Its matured over the decades to a lingo which is written alone

You bludger or the one whose slack is labelled as the man whose "Jack" to compliment an officer
Is to throw a snappy "boxer"
And those known as the "snakes"
Are those of the sergeants ranks

To hump or to go!
Is quite simply "to hit the toe"
And they call all that they wear and own
Their "bongoes" or their "clobber"

Their names for drinks makes sense to only few
A mug of tea or coffee is known as a "brew"
"Rocket fuel" is orange juice or any pure crude
While "Juby" is both synonymous to kids rum and any army new chum
So finally a drink of the likes of Fanta is coined strangely as a "goffer".

To bunk it —
is to "gonk it"
A smoke is a "durry"
A "charge" to us is bluey
And a conard is a "furphy"

What's written here —
its square an' all
Their language is strange and rough
But only to those who don't understand it
Its just load of larrikin guff.