

Col. Edward L. Hubbard: (Retired USAF)
former Prisoner of War, author, and motivational speaker

1. What inspired Col. Hubbard to join the Air Force Reserve?

- a. A teacher's encouragement
- b. A childhood fascination with airplanes
- c. A recruitment ad on the radio
- d. His family's military background

Answer: _____

2. How long was Col. Hubbard a prisoner of war?

- a. 3 years and 5 months
- b. 6 years and 7 months
- c. 4 years and 2 months
- d. 8 years and 1 month

Answer: _____

3. What did Col. Hubbard achieve shortly after returning home from being a POW?

- a. He wrote a book about his experience.
- b. He earned five college degrees in seven years.
- c. He became a motivational speaker.
- d. He retired from the Air Force.

Answer: _____

4. What mindset helped Col. Hubbard survive as a prisoner of war?

- a. Focusing on the negative aspects to adjust to reality
- b. Comparing his situation to others who had it worse
- c. Expecting immediate rescue from his captors
- d. Mentally detaching from the environment

Answer: _____

5. How did Col. Hubbard improve productivity in his Air Force unit?

- a. By increasing funding for resources
- b. By changing the scheduling system for maintenance
- c. By replacing older equipment
- d. By hiring additional personnel

Answer: _____

6. What language did Col. Hubbard learn while in captivity, and how?

- a. French, through books provided by his captors
- b. Spanish, by tapping on walls with another prisoner
- c. German, through secret messages
- d. Japanese, by listening to other prisoners

Answer: _____

7. What advice does Col. Hubbard give about facing challenges in life?

- a. Avoid taking risks that might lead to failure.
- b. Learn to adapt and make the best of your circumstances.
- c. Wait for the perfect opportunity to act.
- d. Focus only on long-term goals and disregard the present.

Answer: _____

****Written Response Questions****

8. Describe how Col. Hubbard handled the emotional and physical challenges of being a prisoner of war. What lessons did he learn that he applies to life today?

9. Discuss Col. Hubbard's perspective on "bad days" and how his mindset influences his approach to life. How can this philosophy be applied in your own experiences?

10. Explain how Col. Hubbard's innovative thinking and common sense led to a 50% increase in productivity for his Air Force unit. Why is challenging the "way it's always been done" important for problem-solving?
