

## A Sailor's Daily Routine

In this activity, students create a chart to log their 24-hour routine. Make sure they include their free time, with at least three ideas of what they like to do for fun. Do their fun activities include something the average *Constitution* sailor couldn't do, like playing video games or talking on the phone? Have them brainstorm and reflect: what else could they do with that free time? What are the differences between a sailor's life and their own? To answer, have students compare and contrast their daily routines to that of a sailor's. Using a simple table, they can note the amount of hours (and convert to percentages!) of sleep, chores, school, and leisure time.

Name		
Date _		

## Student's 24-Hour Day Chart

Time of Day	Activity	How many hours do you spend doing this per day? What is the percentage of your day spent doing this activity?
12:00AM-1:00AM		
1:00AM-2:00AM		
2:00AM-3:00AM		
3:00AM-4:00AM		
4:00AM-5:00AM		
5:00AM-6:00AM		
6:00AM-7:00AM		
7:00AM-8:00AM		
8:00AM-9:00AM		
9:00AM-10:00AM		
10:00AM-11:00AM		
11:00AM-12:00PM		
12:00PM-1:00PM		
1:00PM-2:00PM		
2:00PM-3:00PM		
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## Sailors Daily Routine at Sea

	Middle Watch 12-4 am	Morning Watch 4-8 am	Forenoon Watch 8-12 noon	Afternoon Watch 12-4 pm	First Dogwatch 4-6 pm	Last Dogwatch 6-8 pm	First Watch 8-12 pm
First Lieutenant	On call: Sleep	Up at dawn; Supervise shipboard work, report progress to Captain.	Receive reports from subordinates that ship is clean and in proper order; 11:00 report to Captain when ready for inspection.	Dinner 1:00 Get purser's report about provisions.	4:30 Evening quarters! Call men to their battle stations for inspection and practice.	Evening quarters! Call men to their battle stations for inspection and practice.	On Call Sleep
Midshipman (Starboard watch)	On call: Sleep	On Watch: Supervise stowage of hammocks Report to first lieutenant after breakfast.	Off Watch: Supervise cleaning of lower decks. Learn navigation; use a quadrant to measure the sun's angle at noon.	Dinner 1:00 On Watch: Learn naval tactics; write in journal; learn seamanship.	4:30 Attend evening quarters; Inspect men in division; help command one gun division.	Attend evening quarters; Inspect men in division; help command one gun division.	Off Watch: Sleep

Seaman (Starboard watch)	Off Watch: Sleep	On Watch: Scrub and dry decks, ladders, and hatches; Stow hammock.	Breakfast 8:00-8:30 Mess cooks receive day's provisions; 8:30 All hands on deck for training.	Dinner 12:00-1:00 On watch: Trim sails; perform routine maintenance.	Supper 4:00-4:30 Attend evening quarters, practice sail or gun drill.	Attend evening quarters; practice sail or gun drill. Get hammock down. Mess cooks receive salt meat for tomorrow's dinner.	Off Watch: Sleep
Boy (Larboard Watch)	On watch: Sleep on deck unless needed	Off Watch: Up at 7:30 Stow hammock	Breakfast 8:00-8:30 On Watch: Carry messages for officers; Gather for inspection.	Dinner 12:00-1:00 Off Watch: Mend clothes, sleep, play with friends.	Supper 4:00-4:30 On watch: Attend evening quarters, carry officers' messages, sweep deck.	Practice at battle station: Practice Passing powder for one of the guns, get hammock down.	On Watch: Carry messages for officers.
Marine Private	Off Watch: Sleep	On Watch: Wash deck; Stand guard.	Breakfast 8:00-8:30 Mount guard on the quarterdeck 9:00 Parade; 10-11:00 Small arms practice.	Dinner 12:00-1:00	Supper 4:00-4:30 Assemble for inspection and drill.	Assemble for inspection and drill; Stand guard.	Off Watch: Sleep

Note: The two dog watches produce seven watches per day, ensuring that watch keepers do not serve the same watches every day.

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## **Compare and Contrast Table**

Your Activity During this Hour	Time of Day	An 1812 Sailor's Activity During this Hour
	12:00AM-1:00AM	
	1:00AM-2:00AM	
	2:00AM-3:00AM	
	3:00AM-4:00AM	
	4:00AM-5:00AM	
	5:00AM-6:00AM	
	6:00AM-7:00AM	
	7:00AM-8:00AM	
	8:00AM-9:00AM	
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	10:00PM-11:00PM	
	11:00PM-12:00AM	
What are the major differences between	your day and a sailor's day?	
How many hours of sleep do you get as co	ompared to a sailor in 1812?	
After comparing the two days, which wou	ıld you prefer? Why?	