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1. What is the standard service rifle for the US Army?
 - a. The M16-series rifle or M4-series carbine. These weapons are described as a lightweight, 5.56-mm, magazine-fed, gas-operated, air-cooled, shoulder-fired rifle or carbine. They fire in semiautomatic (single-shot), three-round burst, or in automatic mode using a selector lever, depending on the variant. The weapon system has a standardized mounting surface for various optics, pointers, illuminators, and equipment, to secure those items with common mounting and adjustment hardware.
2. What are weapon components?
 - a. Are uniquely identifiable group of fitted parts, pieces, assemblies or subassemblies that are required and necessary to perform a distinctive function in the operation of the weapon. Components are usually removable in one piece and are considered indivisible for a particular purpose or use.
3. What are weapon assemblies?
 - a. Are a group of subassemblies and parts that are fitted to perform specific set of functions during operation, and cannot be used independently for any other purpose.
4. What are weapon subassemblies?
 - a. Are a group of parts that are fitted to perform a specific set of functions during operation. Subassemblies are compartmentalized to complete a single specific task. They may be grouped with other assemblies, subassemblies and parts to create a component.
5. What are weapon parts?
 - a. Are the individual items that perform a function when attached to a subassembly, assembly, or component that serves a specific purpose.
6. What two components comprise of weapon systems?
 - a. the upper receiver and the lower receiver. These components are described below including their associated assemblies, subassemblies, and parts.
7. What is the barrel?
 - a. The bore and chamber of the barrel are chrome-plated to reduce wear and fouling over the life of the weapon.
8. What is the flash hider and compensator?
 - a. Located at the end of the barrel, is provided to reduce the signature of the weapon during firing and reduce barrel movement off target during firing.
9. What is the sling swivel?
 - a. The attachment hardware for the sling system used to properly carry the weapon.
10. What is the front sight assembly?
 - a. Includes an adjustable front sight post that facilitates zeroing the weapon, serves as the forward portion of the iron sight or back up iron sight, and assists with range determination.
11. What is the adapter rail system?
 - a. Provided in varying lengths, depending on the variant applied. Used to attach common aiming devices or accessories.
12. What does the slip ring do?

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- a. Provides a spring loaded locking mechanism for the weapon's hand guards.

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