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## Join us for an online transcribe-a-thon!

Give voice to the soldiers of World War II through a new transcription project from our colleagues at Virginia Tech, <u>The American Soldier</u>. Join us on the Zooniverse platform today, Tuesday May 8, as we commemorate the anniversary of Victory in Europe Day, or VE Day, with a World War II Transcribe-a-Thon!



We are always excited to see researchers use National Archives records in new and meaningful ways. This new transcription project from Virginia Tech features records from the U.S. National Archives: a remarkable collection of more than 65,000 handwritten reflections by U.S. soldiers who fought during the Second World War.

Throughout WWII, the U.S. War Department collected tens of thousands of these anonymous commentaries from men & women who shared their uncensored & personal reflections on wartime military service. By transcribing soldiers' handwritten responses, you are helping to give voice to the soldiers of World War II.

## Get started transcribing

To kick off this project, Virginia Tech is hosting an in-person <u>transcribe-a-thon today</u> from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Athenaeum of Newman Library. For our virtual volunteers and citizen archivists, we invite you to join us online for a virtual transcribe-a-thon! Check out the American Soldier project on <u>Zooniverse</u> at any time today and help make history, one source at a time. No time to transcribe today? Not to worry! With more than 65,000 handwritten commentaries, we welcome your participation at any time to contribute to this important endeavor.

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