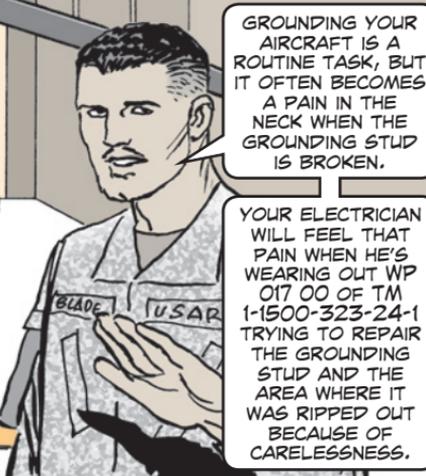
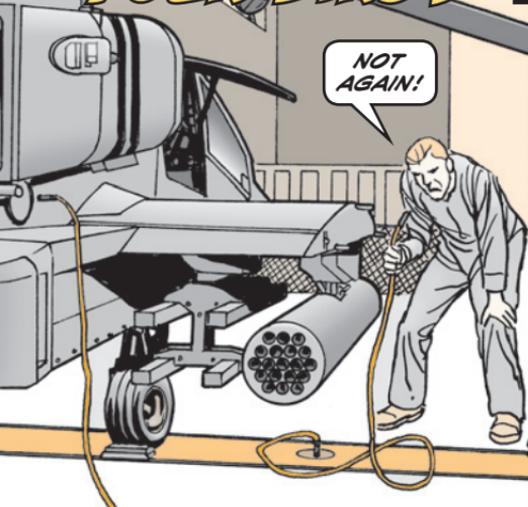
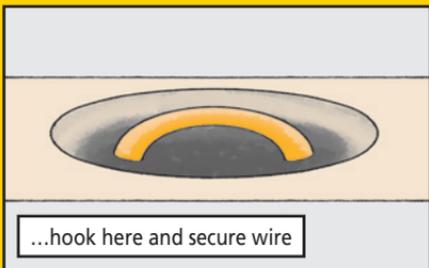
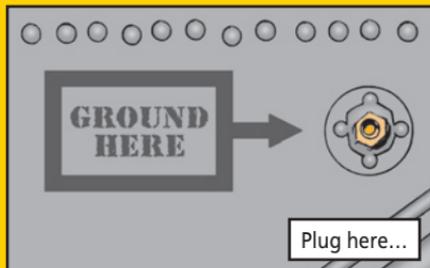


All Aircraft...

GROUNDING YOUR BIRDS



None of this has to happen. Rushing to disconnect a ground cable leads to broken parts. The only way to disconnect from a grounding point is to reverse how you hooked it up.



Too many mechanics grab the ground cable and yank it like it's a vacuum cleaner cord. Is that the way you disconnect your head phones from your stereo system? Yanking means you'll be calling the electrician for repair and that means aircraft downtime.

Carelessness is another key killer of grounding studs. A dropped tool, a misplaced foot, or a poorly placed maintenance stand could lead to a snapped grounding stud if the wire gets caught or tangled in anything.

Awareness is the key. Know where you are and where the grounding point is at all times. Remember, Kiowa Warriors have two grounding receptacles on the right side of the bird. For grounding and hangar shop practices, check Chap 2 of TM 1-1500-204-23-1.