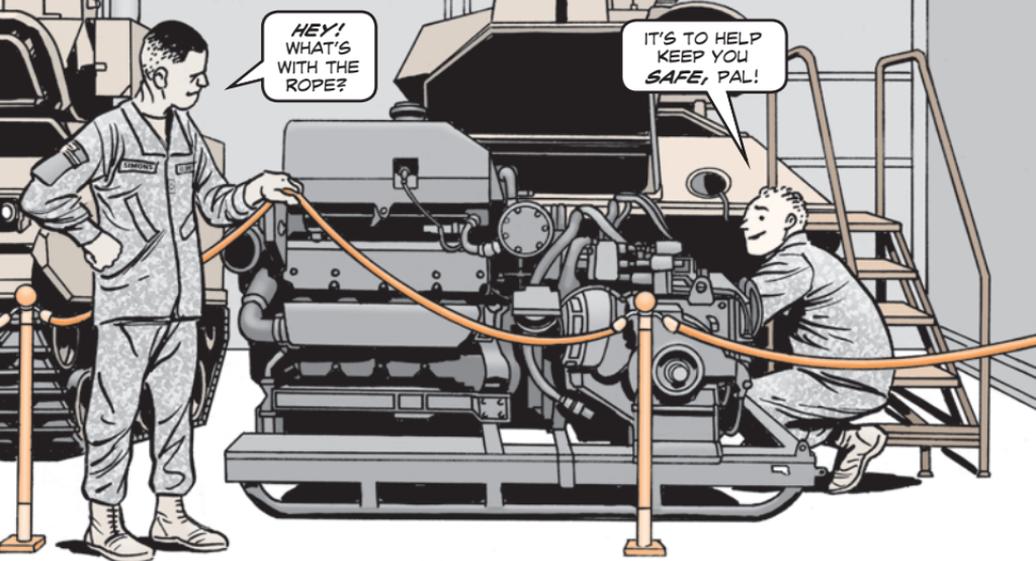


Could This Be You?



One day a Soldier walked up to a Bradley powerpack that was being prepared for ground hop. Two mechanics were kneeling down behind the powerpack to troubleshoot a wiring problem that was preventing startup. They didn't notice the visiting Soldier.

Interested in the work going on, the Soldier leaned over the powerpack to get a better look. He placed one hand on the generator near the forward mounted fan. Can you see where this is headed?

The mechanics fixed the wiring problem and the engine immediately started. Fortunately, this Soldier lost only one finger. It could have been worse—much worse.

Always remember to exercise situational awareness, especially when walking around maintenance areas. All around you are potential dangers—ground hopping, welding, grinding, and lift operations—that could catch unsuspecting Soldiers by surprise.

Maintenance NCOs, consider training opportunities such as Sergeant's Time as a chance to remind Soldiers to be aware of their surroundings. Make marking or roping off danger areas part of your unit's SOP.

