



MILITARY TERMS

Term	Navajo word	Meaning
★★ Major General	So-na-kih	Two Stars
★ Colonel	Astah-besh-legai	Silver Eagle
● Major	Che-chil-betah-ola	Oak Leaf
■ Captain	Besh-legai-na-kih	Silver Bars
I 1st Lieutenant	Besh-legai-a-lah-in	Silver Bar
✈ Fighter Plane	Da-he-tih-hi	Hummingbird
✈ Bomber Plane	Jay-sho	Buzzard
🚢 Battleship	Lo-tso	Whale
✈ Aircraft Carrier	Tsidi-ney-ye-hi	Bird carrier
🚢 Submarine	Besh-lo	Iron fish

ALPHABET

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A	Wol-ia-chee	Ant	N	Nesh-chee	Nut
B	Shush	Bear	O	Ne-ans-jah	Owl
C	Moasi	Cat	P	Bi-sodih	Pig
D	Be	Deer	Q	Ca-yelth	Quiver
E	Dzeh	Elk	R	Gah	Rabbit
F	Ma-e	Fox	S	Dibeh	Sheep
G	Kizzie	Goat	T	Than-zie	Turkey
H	Lin	Horse	U	No-da-in	Ute
I	Tkn	Ice	V	A-keh-di-gini	Victor
J	Tkele-cho-gi	Jackass	W	Gloe-in	Weasel
K	Kizzie-yazzie	Kid	X	Al-an-as-dzon	Cross
L	Dibeh-yazzie	Lamb	Y	Tsah-as-zih	Yucca
M	Na-as-tshai	Mouse	Z	Besh-do-giz	Zinc

Source: Navajo Weapon, The Navajo Code Talkers, 1968