*Renaissance Man*

As you view the movie, you will meet several different characters. Like Hamlet, these individuals made important decisions based on outside influences that were beyond their control, such as joining the army. For each character listed below, explain why each joined the army.

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| Character: | Why the character joined the army: |
| Bill Rago |  |
| Pvt. Miranda Myers |  |
| Pvt. Jackson Leroy |  |
| Pvt. Jamaal Montgomery |  |
| Pvt. Brian Davis |  |
| Pvt. Tommy Lee Haywood |  |
| Pvt. Benitez |  |

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**Renaissance Man- Focus Question**

One of the most famous lines from the play Hamlet involves words of advice spoken by Polonius to his son Laertes: “This above all to thine own self be true.” Explain the meaning of this quote. Using movie characters Bill Rago, Pvt. Nathaniel Hobbs, or Pvt. Brian Davis, explain how that character put that quote into practice. In what way were they true to themselves, and how did it impact their lives? **10 points**

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