



Fingerprinting

Merit Badge Workbook

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1. Give a short history of fingerprinting. _____

Tell the difference between civil _____

and criminal identification. _____

2. Explain the difference between the automated fingerprint identification systems (AFIS) now used by some law enforcement agencies _____

and the biometric fingerprint systems used to control access to places like buildings, airports, and computer rooms. _____

3. Do the following:

a. Name the surfaces of the body where friction or papillary ridges are found. _____

b. Name the two basic principles supporting the science of fingerprints and give a brief explanation of each principle.
