

one-napoleon hill: a waterloo soliloquy

Well, **according to** my plans the battle **should have been over** _____. But **I've seen** battles like this _____. One second you think it's going to **last** for two _____ days, five minutes _____ everyone's dead.

The truth is we didn't **get off to a good start**. The enemy attacked _____ we were getting dressed in the morning. We **have**

been losing ground _____. We _____ start **fighting back properly** _____ noon. Our army has lost about ten thousand men _____, most of them _____ the first two hours of the battle. _____ that time, the enemy stole most of our artillery, too. But _____ they were stealing them I **sneaked** into their kitchen and had me a free breakfast.

The battle **has been going on** _____ eight hours now. _____ five hours **it will get dark** but _____ the battle **will have been lost**.

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If I order my troops to **keep fighting** _____, no one will survive. _____ thirty minutes the enemy will get **further reinforcements** and _____ it will not be a battle _____, it will be a massacre.

What's even more depressing, _____ I found out that some of our **allies** had _____ weeks been secretly **negotiating** with the enemy. I can't say I wasn't disappointed. In the old _____ war **used to be** a gentlemen's game. I swear, _____ I will not **get involved in** any **more** wars. **Not in ones** where I lose **anyway**.

Actually, there's this little island that has _____ **offered to** let me live out my life on it. I **haven't heard from** them _____ weeks but I do remember the offer. I must report _____ March or they will take in someone else. Problem is, I haven't decided _____. _____ the time it seemed like a strange **thing to offer**. But _____ I have **come to realize** it **might not be** a bad idea **after all**.

Well, **I've been rambling on** too long. _____, the enemy has killed the rest of our soldiers. **Not that I care,** **I'm off to** enjoy life on an island.