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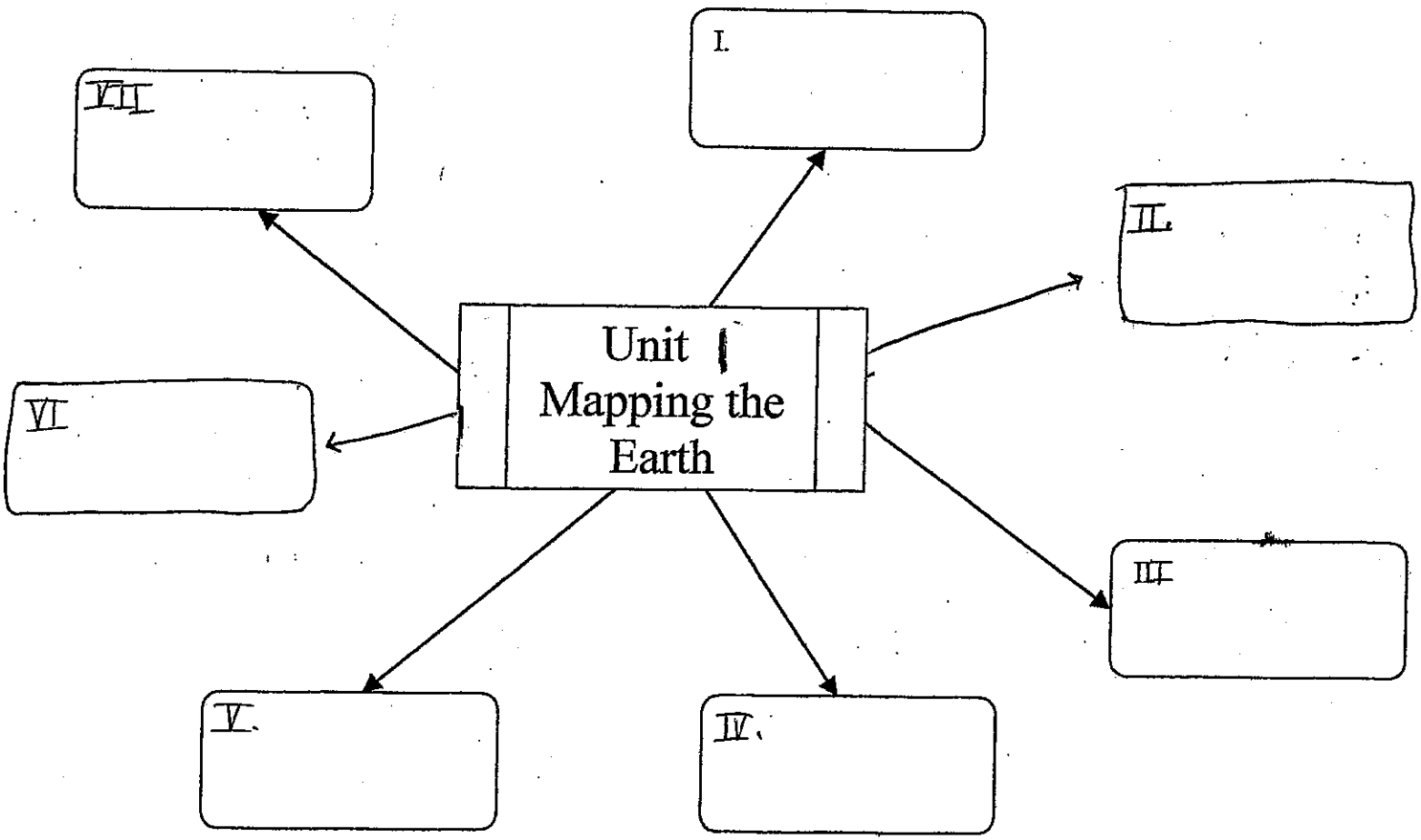
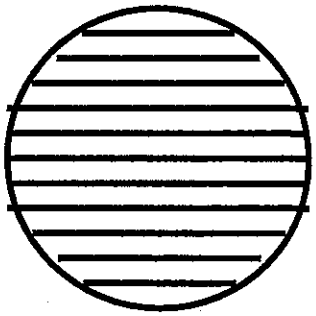
Unit 1 Mapping the Earth
Earth Science

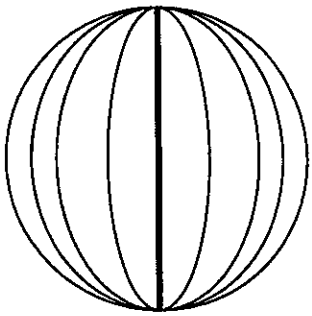


# I. Locating positions on the Earth's surface

- Humans have established a system to locate positions on Earth.
- Longitude and latitude are based on the Earth's rotation and our observations of the Sun and stars.
- _____is the science of locating your position on Earth.
- Coordinate systems assign a pair of numbers to every position on the Earth's surface.
- _____measures how far north/south of the Equator a position is.



- _____measures how far east or west of the Prime Meridian a position is.



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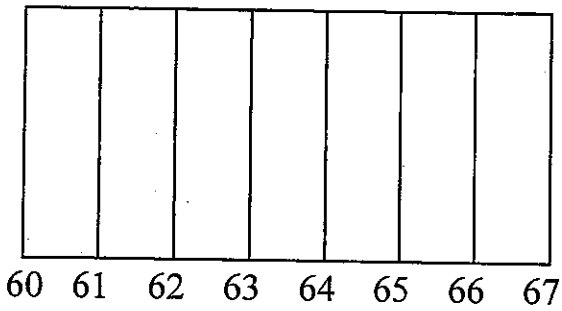
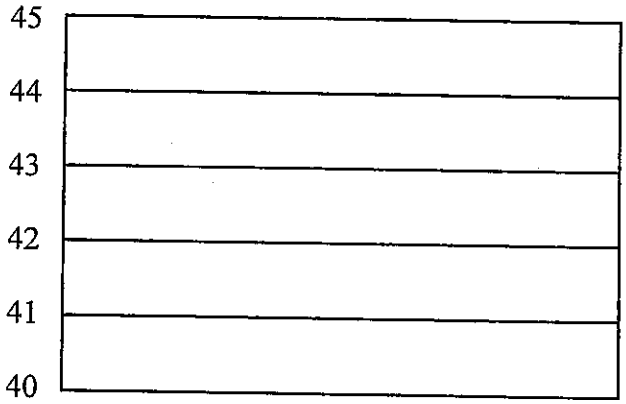
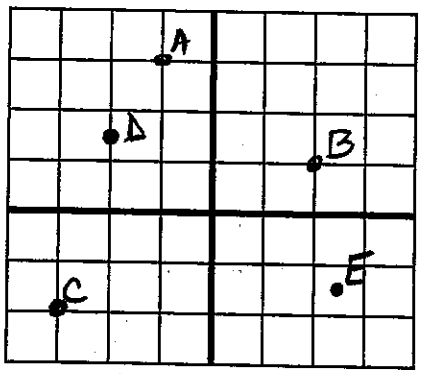
# II. Using latitude and longitude

- These are lines of _____.
- Is this map area in the Eastern or Western Hemisphere?




- These are lines of _____.
- Is this map area in the Northern or Southern Hemisphere?




| | Latitude | Longitude |
|---|---|---|
| A | 30°N | 10° W |
| B | 10°N | 20°E |
| C | | |
| D | | |
| E | | |
| F | | |

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Which latitude and longitude coordinates represent a location on the continent of Australia?

(1) 20° N, 135° E
(2) 20° N, 135° W
(3) 20°S, 135° E
(4) 20° S, 135° W

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An observer in New York State measures the altitude of Polaris to be 44°. According to the *Earth Science Reference Tables*, the location of the observer is nearest to

(1) Watertown
(2) Elmira
(3) Buffalo
(4) Kingston

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Base your answer to the following question on the *Earth Science Reference Tables*.

What is the location of Binghamton, New York?

(1) 42° 06' N. lat., 75° 55' W. long.
(2) 42° 06' N. lat., 76° 05' W. long.
(3) 42° 54' N. lat., 76° 05' W. long.
(4) 42° 54' N. lat., 75° 55' W. long.

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The latitude of a point in the Northern Hemisphere may be determined by measuring the

(1) apparent diameter of Polaris
(2) altitude of Polaris
(3) distance to the Sun
(4) apparent diameter of the Sun

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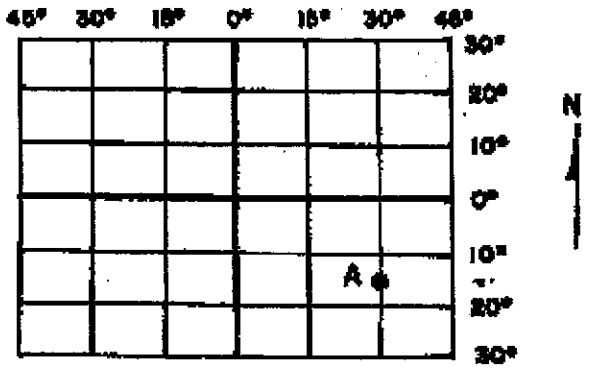
The diagram below represents a portion of a map of the Earth's grid system. What is the approximate latitude and longitude of point *A*?




(1) 15°N. 30°W.
(2) 15°S. 30°W.
(3) 15°N. 30°E.
(4) 15°S. 30°E.

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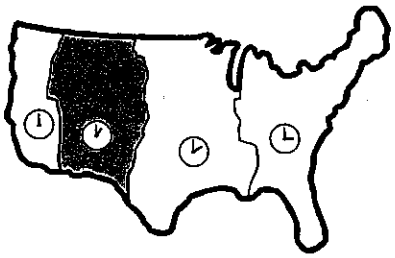
# III. Time and Longitude

- People have used the stars to note the passage of time.
- The earth rotates spins:
  - 360° in _____ hours.
  - ____° in one hour
  - ____° every 4 hours
- Humans divided the earth into _____ times zones.
- Meridians of longitude are the basis for time zones.
- If you move one time zone to the West, the time is 1 hour _____.
- If you move one time zone to the East, the time is 1 hour _____.
- Why did humans put time zones on earth?



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The time required for one Earth rotation is about
(1) one hour
(2) one day
(3) one month
(4) one year

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Cities located on the same meridian (longitude) must have the same
(1) altitude
(2) latitude
(3) length of daylight
(4) solar time

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A person knows the solar time on the Prime Meridian and the local solar time. What determination can be made?
(1) the date
(2) the altitude of Polaris
(3) the longitude at which the person is located
(4) the latitude at which the person is located

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Upon which frame of reference is time based?
(1) the motions of the Earth
(2) the longitude of an observer
(3) the motions of the Moon
(4) the real motions of the Sun

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What is the total number of degrees that the Earth rotates on its axis during a 12-hour period?
(1) 1°
(2) 15°
(3) 180°
(4) 360°

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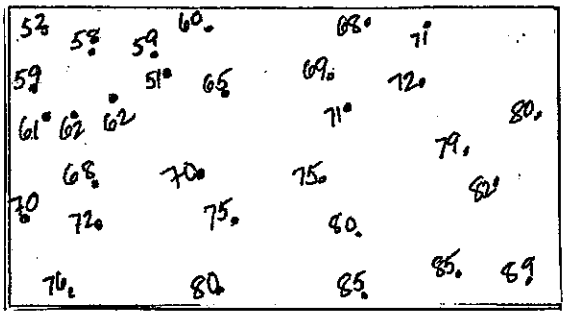
# IV. Drawing Maps of the Earth

- Humans can map just about anything.
- A _____is a region of space in which a similar quantity can be measured at every point or location.
- The values (numbers) can change with time.
- Types of fields:
- Once we measure an area we can make a map of what we were measuring:




- We then connect the points that have equal values so that the map is more meaningful to us.
- _____connect points of equal value.
  - _____connect points of equal temperature.
  - _____connect points of equal pressure.
  - _____ connect points of equal elevation.
    - _____ is the distance above or below sea level.

(11)

Which statement is true about an isoline on an air temperature field map?

(1) It represents an interface between high and low barometric pressures.
(2) It indicates the direction of maximum insolation.
(3) It increases in magnitude as it bends southward.
(4) It connects points of equal air temperature.

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# V. Topographic Maps

- Topographic maps are also called _____.
- They are two-dimensional models that use contour lines to represent places of equal elevation.
- They represent landforms through the use of contour lines.
- Technology has both created changes and _____ natural changes in the landscape that can be recorded with topo maps.
- You **HAVE** to know how to read, interpret, and topo maps.
- Contour lines are isolines that connect points of equal elevation.
- _____ is the distance between contour lines.

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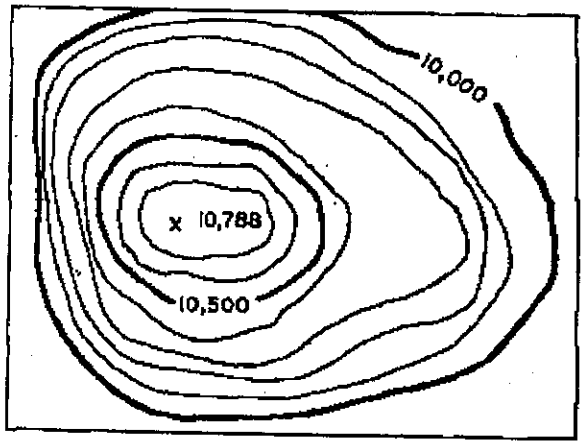
What is the elevation of the highest contour line shown on the map below?




(1) 10,000 feet
(2) 10,688 feet
(3) 10,700 feet
(4) 10,788 feet

# VI. Topographic Map Rules

1. All points on a contour line have the _____ elevation
2. Every fifth line is called an _____ line. It is usually darker and helps you count.

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3. All contour lines are c_____ (make a circle), but they might not look like they are closed because the map might be too small.

4. Two contour lines of different elevations may _____ cross each other. Exceptions: cliffs and waterfalls

5. The spacing of contour lines indicates the nature of the slope.
   - Closer together = _____
   - Farther apart = _____
   - No lines = _____

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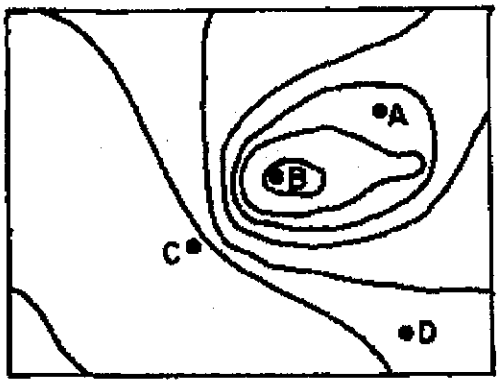
The diagram below is a contour map. Between which two points is the slope of the hill steepest?




(1) *A* and *B*
(2) *B* and *C*
(3) *C* and *D*
(4) *A* and *D*

6. Where contour lines cross a stream, they always form a V.
   - The V's point upstream (uphill), against the water flow).

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7. Hachure marks indicate a depression.

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8. Gradient is how steep the slope is. It is possible to calculate the gradient of a slope using the formula on page 1 of your reference tables.

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Base your answer to the following question on the *Earth Science Reference Tables*.

A stream begins at an elevation of 2,000 meters and ends in a lake at an elevation of 400 meters. The lake is 320 kilometers from the stream's source. What is the average gradient of the stream?

(1) 1.6 m/km
(2) 2.0 m/km
(3) 5.0 m/km
(4) 8.0 m/km

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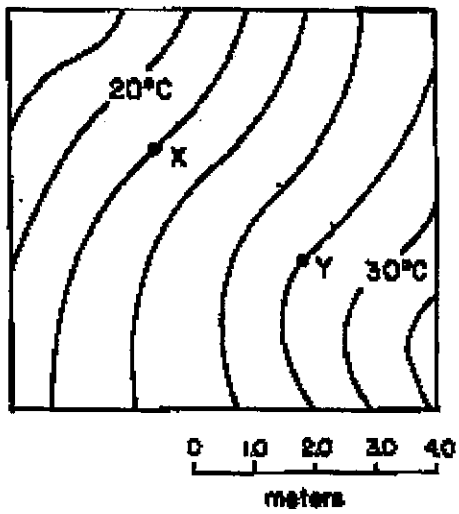
The diagram below represents a temperature field in degrees Celsius. What is the approximate temperature field gradient between points *X* and *Y*? [Refer to the *Earth Science Reference Tables*.]




(1) 0.5 °C/m
(2) 2 °C/m
(3) 3 °C/m
(4) 6 °C/m

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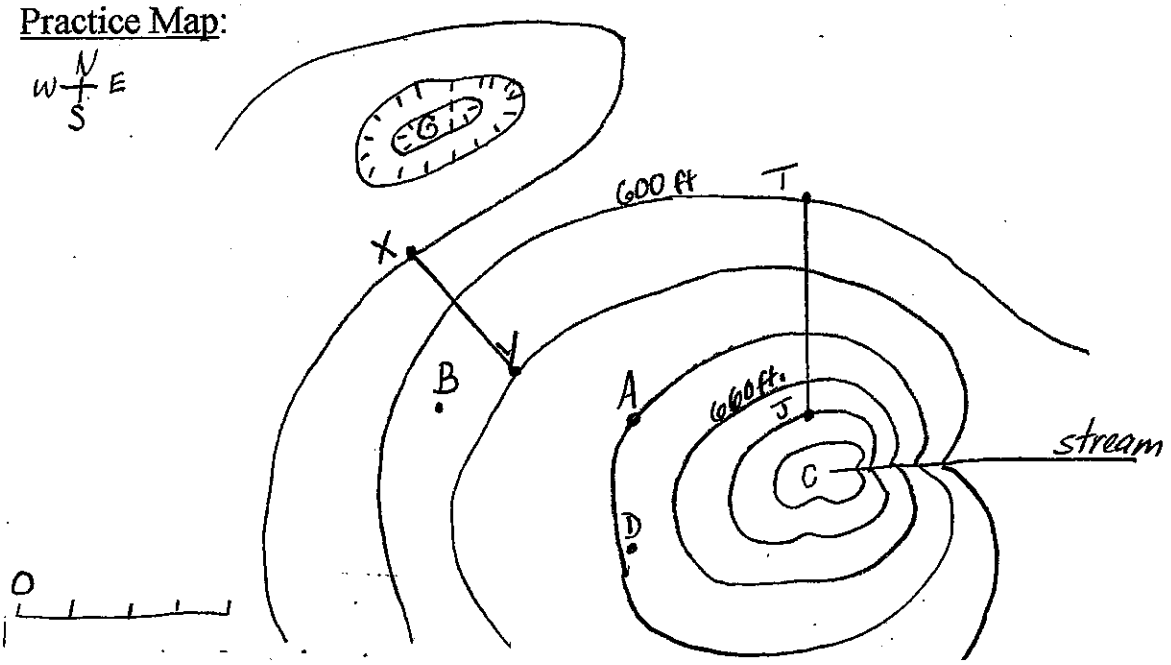
Practice Map:




Practice Questions:

1. The contour interval of the map is _____.
2. The top of the hill is represented by letter _____.
3. The depression is represented by letter _____.
4. Line XY is _____- long
5. The water in the stream flows from _____ to _____.
6. Point A is at an elevation of _____.
7. Point B is at an elevation of _____.
8. Point C is at an elevation of _____.
9. Point D is at an elevation of _____.
10. Point G is at an elevation of _____.
11. Line TJ is _____ miles long.
12. Point T is at an elevation of _____.
13. Point J is at an elevation of _____.
14. Calculate the gradient of line TJ:

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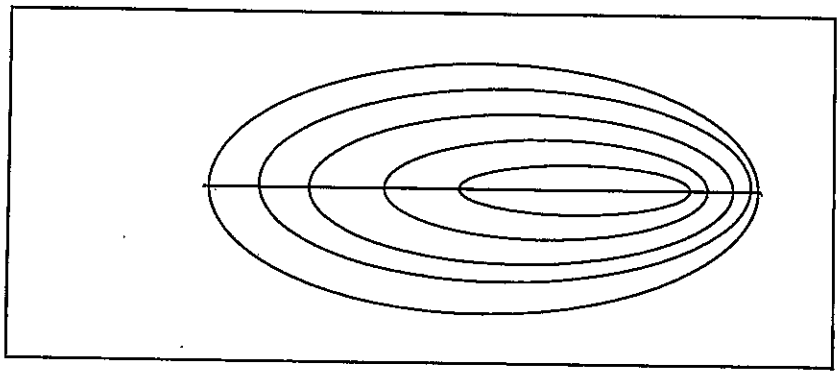
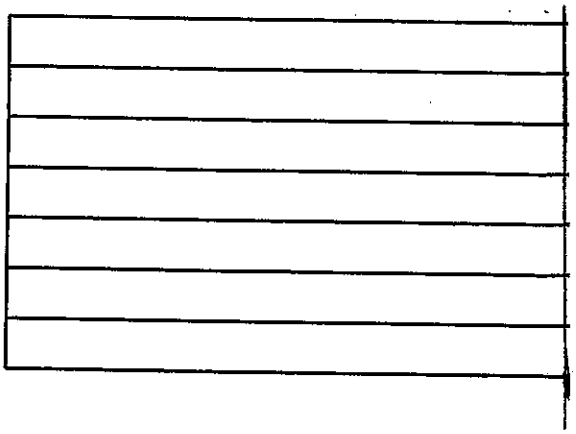
# VII. Profiles

A profile is what something looks like from the side.



- 1. Find the contour interval. (What you are counting by.)
- 2. Label the elevation on each contour line. (On the top where you can see it.)
- 3. Bring the edge of a piece of paper to line _____.
- 4. Put a mark on the paper where the contour lines cross the edge.
- 5. Label the elevations on the edge of the paper.
- 6. Label the elevations on the graph.
- 7. Bring the edge of the paper to the bottom of the graph.
- 8. Make a dot on the graph directly above each mark on the edge of the paper. The dot must be at the correct elevation.
- 9. connect the dots with curved lines. Curve the tops of hills and the bottoms of valleys. Only connect the dots that you drew.



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