

What a Relief!

Height of the Land

1. Height on maps is shown in metres above sea level. There are three ways to show height on maps. Complete the table below with the names of each method.

Name	Description
layer shading	Colours and a key are used to show the height of the land.
spot heights	Shows the exact height of a place.
contour lines	Lines on a map which join up places of the same height.

Contour Patterns

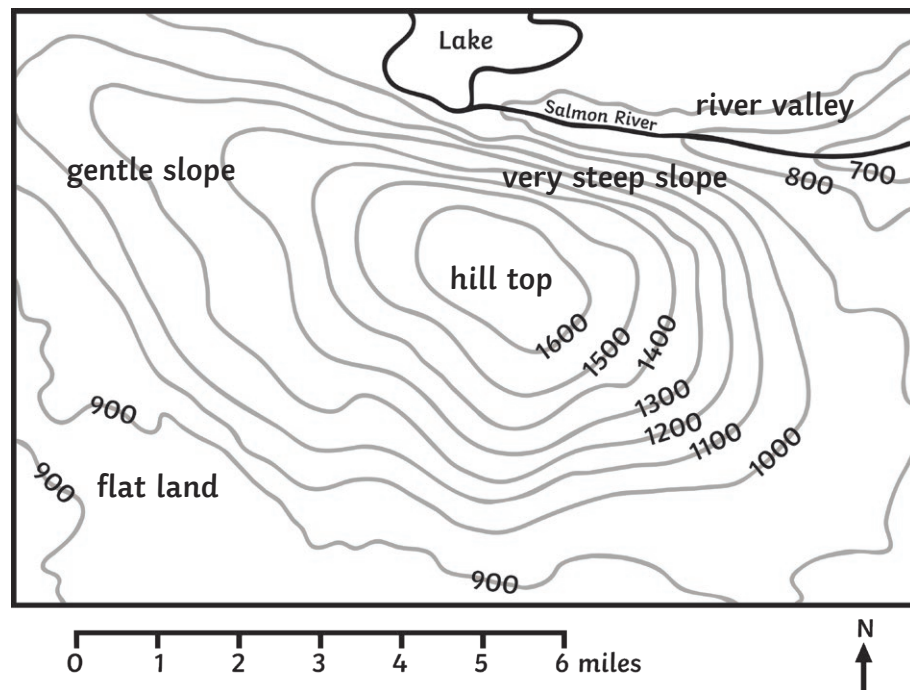
2. Complete these sentences:

- Contour lines which are far apart show the land is **gently sloping**.
- Contour lines which are close together show that the land is **steep**.
- A V-shape contour pattern which decreases in height shows a **valley**.
- Circular contour lines which increase in height show a **hill**.



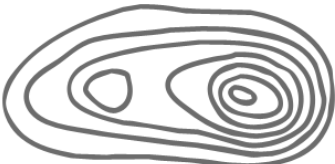

3. Label the map below to show these features:

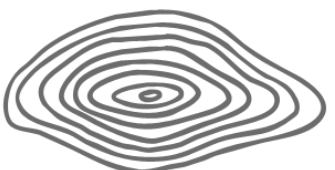

- hill top
- river valley
- flat land
- very steep slope
- gentle slope

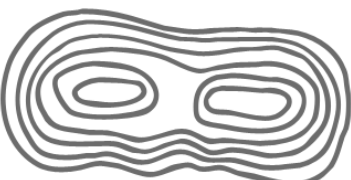





4. Match the contour patterns 1 - 5 to the landforms A - E.

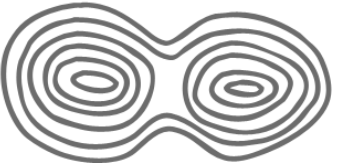

1	B
2	D
3	C
4	E
5	A

1  A 

2  B 

3  C 

4  D 

5  E 

Extension Activity

Draw the contour pattern for this landform:

