

Benchmark: Geography 2



Figure 1. Extent of the Atlantic Coastal Plain in Maryland and adjacent states.

Brief Constructed Response Prompt: Explain how the land and water of the Atlantic Coastal Plain are different from the land and water on the Piedmont Plateau.

Desired Response(s):

Students should compare the two landforms with any of these facts:

- ACP - flat land, slow moving rivers and sandy soil with no rocks.
- PP - hilly land above sea level, fast moving rivers and rocky soil.

Rubric

- 2 = This response gives a valid response with an accurate and relevant explanation.
- 1 = This response gives a valid response with an inaccurate, irrelevant, or no explanation.
- 0 = inaccurate or no response