Benchmark: Geography 2

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

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