Social Studies Coalition of Delaware
Brief Constructed Response Template

Standard: Geography 2  Grade Cluster 6-8

Topographic Maps

Map # 1.               Map # 2.

Map # 3.               Map # 4.

Brief Constructed Response Prompt:

Topographic maps show the lay of the land. Based only on the lay of the land, explain which topographic map above represents the lay of the land that would best be used for farming?

Desired Response(s): 3 Examples

- Topographic map 1 represents the lay of the land that would be most suited for farming. Contour lines connect points of equal elevation. Contour lines that are farther apart from one another represent flatter land for growing crops.
- Map # 1. Maps 2, 3, and 4 are hills or mountains making farming more difficult.
- Map # 1. The land is flatter making it easier to grow crops.

Rubric

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