Views of the Earth

What is the latitude and longitude of your house?

Land Forms*

• Plains

• Plateaus

• mountains

Plains large relatively flat areas*

- Coastal
- Interior

Coastal plains

- Plains along ocean's shores
- Low elevations
- Low rolling hills, swamps and wetlands
 - Example: Atlantic coastal plains
- Formed under water from sediments that fell on the ocean floor
- Gulf coastal plain formed from sediments deposited by the Mississippi River

Interior Plains

From Appalachians to the Rockies to the Gulf Coast - Covered with sediments from mountains rivers or ancient seas - These make up about 50% of the land areas in the United States*

Interior Plains

Plateaus

Flat raised areas of land

Mountains*

rise high above surrounding formations

- Folded
- Up warped
- Fault blocked
- Volcanic



Figure 5-4

Folded mountains form whe rock layers are squeezed from epposite sides.

Appalachians are an example of this

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Up warped Mountains *

Southern Rockies and the Black hills

Black Hills

Fault-block Mountains *

Grand Teton Mountains



Volcanic mountains *

Formed from a volcano, like Mt St Helens

(quiz next page)

 Know the four different types of mountains and how they form, and be able to give an example of each*

Quiz

- 1. What are the three land forms?
- 2. What are the two types of plains
- 3. What are the four types of mountains

View Point

• Latitude and Longitude Global position





M&PS

- Latitude lines run parallel to the equator and are measured N and S.
- Longitude lines intersect at the poles and measure E and W.
- There are 60 minutes in one degree and 60 seconds in one minute.

Latitude *

- lines running *parallel* *to the equator
- Equator 0° latitude*
- Poles 90° latitude*
- Divides the Earth into two hemispheres
 - 1) Northern
 - 2) Southern
- Why do men divide the earth up into longitude and longitude?



Longitude *

- lines running North and South
 - Lines are called meridians
 - Prime meridian is $0^{\circ*}$
 - The International date line is 180° east and west*
 - Those places west of the Prime meridian are west longitude and those east are called east longitude
- The earth turns 15°/hr*

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• At the International date line is when the calendar day changes



East

Time Zones

- The Earth is divided into 24 time zones, corresponding to 24 hours in a day.*
- As the earth rotates, the sun shines in different areas, moving from east to west during the course of a day.
- Places that have the same <u>longitude</u> will be in the same time zone.
- How many time zones are there on earth?





Mercator Projection*

• map distorted at the poles to make it flat*

• This type of map is used on ships*

MERCATOR PROJECTION*



Mercator maps have both latitude and longitude lines parallel. N and S latitudes are distorted.

Robinson Projection *

Physical Map of the World, April 2004



• This type of map shows the least distortion over the whole earth.*







Conic Projection*

- is made by projecting points and lines from a globe onto a cone.
- Used to produce maps of small areas
- Road map and weather maps are Conic Projection*



CONIC PROJECTIONS*



 In a conic projection, the lines of latitude and longitude are curved slightly. They are especially useful for mapping large areas of land that fall in the middle latitudes.



Topographic maps *

- shows changes in elevation
- *Contour Lines** connect points of equal elevation
- *Contour Interval** is the elevation between each contour line
- Contour lines never cross
- Topographic maps are measured with respect to sea level. The lines measurements are elevation*



TOPOGR&PHIC M&PS



- Measure changes in elevation
- A profile is a side view of an elevation
- When contour lines are close together, the area is steep.
- Contour lines always point upstream (opposite of flow)
- Depressions or holes are identified by lines within a circle
- Valleys will have contour lines very spread apart
- Where would a topographic map be used?

TOPOGR&PHIC PROFILE

By transferring information from a topographic map to another sheet of paper, it is possible to draw a landform's profile, or shape.





Map legend *

- tells what symbols on the map means*
- *Map scale* *- scale down equivalents
- This is a ratio of actual distance compared to a small measurement

	LEGEND
-	OHV Trail System Boundary
	Easiest Trails
	More Difficult Trails
	Most Difficult Trails
	Highway
	Main Road
	Shared-Use RoadOpen to licensed and unlicensed vehicles
	Other Road
49	Trail Number
+ 2.4 +	Mileage Between Markers
0	Trailhead or Staging Area
	Play Area
	Elevation Contour-Interval 500 feet
	Land Status
	BLM Administered Lands
	BLM Wilderness Study Area
3	U.S. Forest Service
	Bureau of Reclamation
1	Private
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MAPPING AND SCALES



M&P SC&LES*

- Map scale is the relationship between a unit of length on a map and the corresponding length on the ground.
- Types of Map Scales
 - Verbal scale expresses in words a relationship between a map distance and a ground distance. (*One inch represents 16 miles.*)
 - A graphic scale, or bar scale shows directly on the map the corresponding ground distance.
 - A representative fraction, or RF, shows the relationship between one of any unit on the map and one of the same units on the ground. (1:24,000)
 - In the above example, 1 cm on the map would equal 24,000 cm in reality on earth



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- Use the above to help you convert from unit to unit in the metric system
- Base units are:
 - Length—meter
 - Volume—liter
 - Mass-gram

