

# Critical Thinking Skills

## Mapping Skills with Google Earth™

Skills for Critical Thinking						Reading Comprehension					
LEVEL 1 Remembering	LEVEL 2 Understanding	LEVEL 3 Applying	LEVEL 4 Analysing	LEVEL 5 Evaluating	LEVEL 6 Creating	Basics of Map Reading	Latitude, Longitude and Times Zones	Mapping Geographical Features	Mapping Cultural Features	Map Your Country	Map the World
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Based on Bloom's Taxonomy



# Mapping Geographical Features

1. Match the word on the left to its definition on the right by drawing a line.

1 topographic map

A map, which shows the boundaries of cities, states, provinces and countries

A

2 elevation

A rapid rise in elevation

B

3 contour line

A slow rise in elevation

C

4 steep

A map, which shows geographical features such as forests and hills

D

5 gradual

The height that is exactly half way between low and high tide

E

6 political map

A line on a map, which connects points of land that are the same height

F

7 sea level

A change in height

G

8 green

The color that represents forests and vegetation

H

9 brown

The color that represents deserts and national parks

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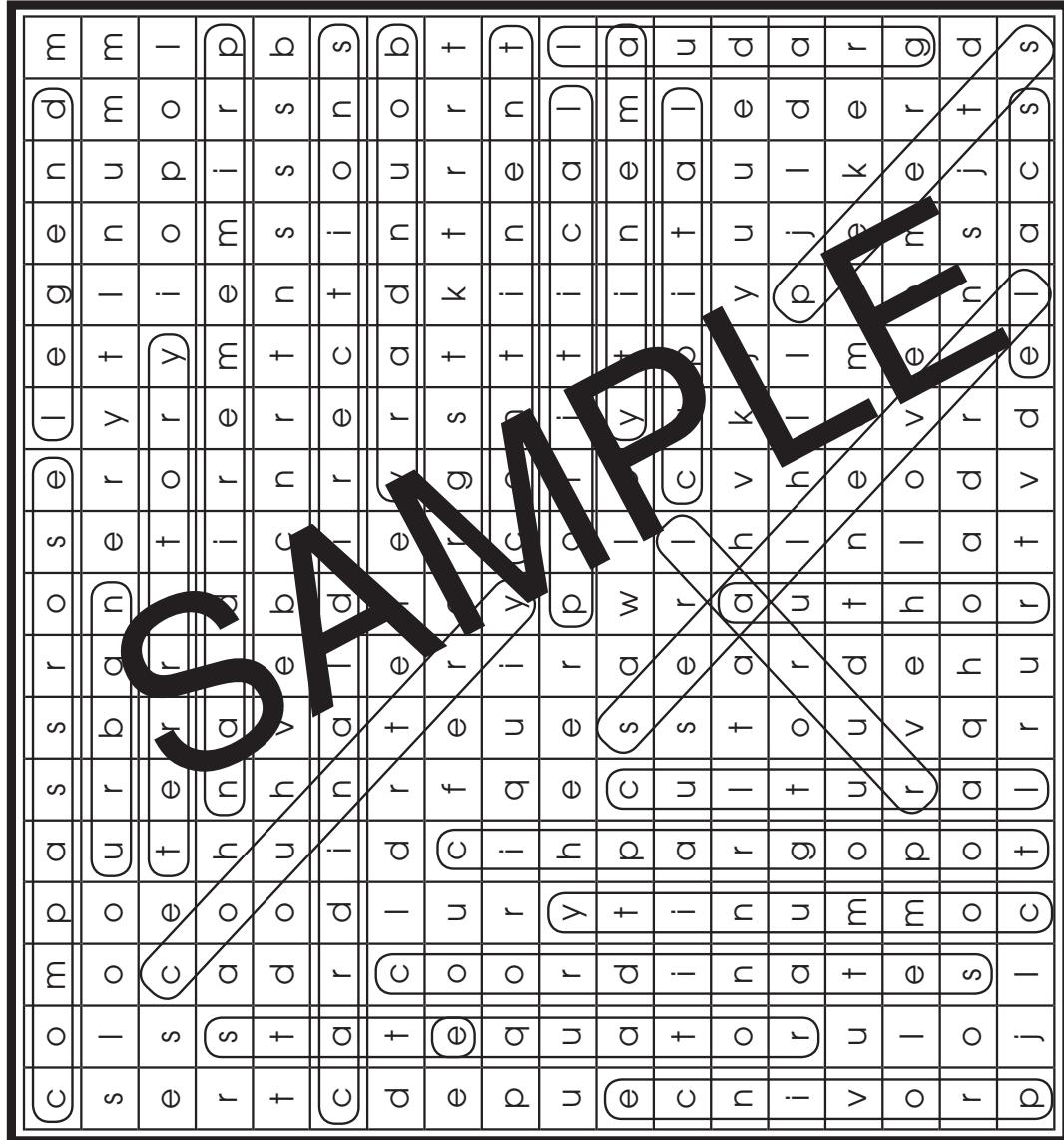
**Part A**

- 1.** Compass Rose

**Part C**

- 1.** Lines of latitude divide the Earth horizontally into equal sections. Lines of longitude divide the Earth vertically into equal sections.
- 2.** They allow you to communicate where something is easily. They give a reference point that people can use to find places.
- 3.** Political maps communicate political boundaries such as cities, towns and states, and are on a large scale. Topographic maps are on a small scale and tell us about physical things such as elevation.
- 4.** Urban communities have a lot of people in an area, have schools, hospitals, libraries and other amenities. Rural communities have fewer people and they are more spread out.
- 5.** They also are set in the countryside outside of cities and tend to have fewer amenities.
- 6.** The world contains seven continents, which are massive areas of land, four oceans and numerous seas. Some scientists consider the area around Antarctica, to be the 5th ocean, which is known as the Southern Ocean.
- 7.** Seventy percent of the earth's surface is covered by water. The world is a very diverse place and people live very differently in the many places of the world. There are 195 countries in the world.

# Word Search Answers

**Across**

- 3.** choropleth  
**4.** steep  
**6.** scale  
**8.** prime meridian  
**11.** author  
**12.** title  
**13.** sea level

**Down**

- 1.** latitude  
**2.** compass rose  
**5.** cardinal  
**7.** community  
**9.** amenities  
**10.** todalsigs

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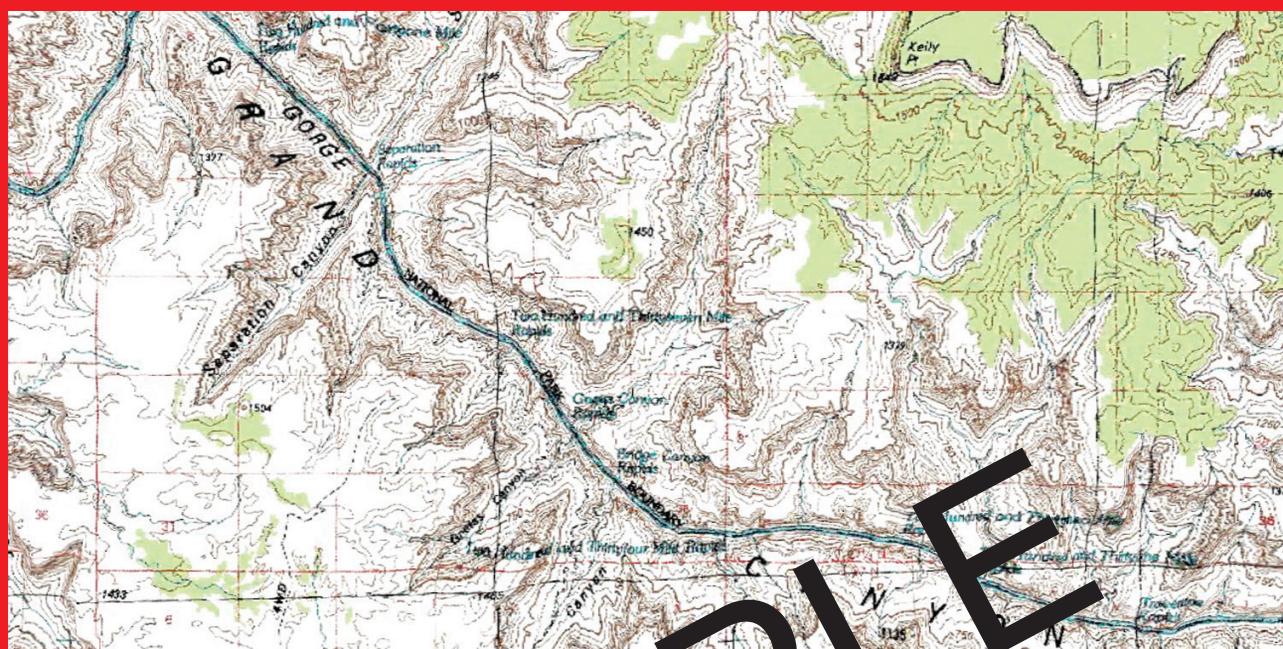
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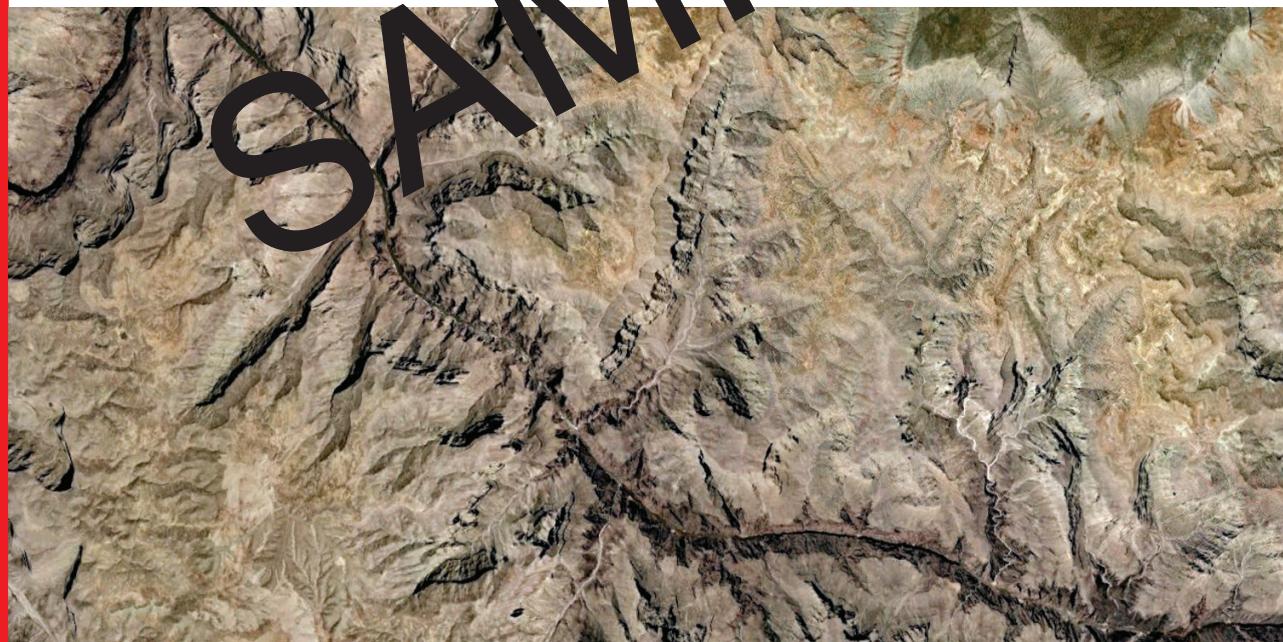
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# Topographic Map



A Topographic Map of the Grand Canyon in Arizona



A Satellite Map of the Grand Canyon in Arizona