

ES202 Additional Map Exercise – Whitwell, TN Map

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Refer to the attached map and answer the following questions.

1. What is the contour interval of the map?
20 feet
2. Using a ruler and the graphical scales, determine the fractional scale of the map. Show all of your math work. 1 inch \approx .38 mile, .38 mile \times 63360 inch = 24076.9 inch.
Scale = 1:24000
3. What is the drainage pattern of the stream network in "Alum Cove", north-central portion of the map? Dendritic
4. Which direction is the Sequatchie River flowing? Which direction is the stream in Alum Cove flowing? South Southwest

5. Calculate the average gradient of the Sequatchie River between points A and B. Calculate gradient in ft/mi. Show all your math work.

$$\text{Gradient: } \frac{\text{relief}}{\text{distance}} = \frac{700 \text{ ft (A)} - 600 \text{ ft (B)}}{8.5 \text{ in} \times 24000 = 204000 \text{ in}, \quad 204000 \times 1.58 \times 10^{-5} = 3.22 \text{ mile}} = \frac{100 \text{ ft}}{3.22 \text{ mile}} = 30.12 \text{ ft/mile}$$

6. What is the elevation of point C?
1870
7. In which direction is "Smith Stream" flowing?

Southeast

8. Calculate the average gradient of Smith Stream between points D and E. Calculate gradient in ft/mi. Show all your math work.

$$\text{Gradient: } \frac{1600 \text{ ft (D)} - 1340 \text{ ft (E)}}{416 \text{ in} \times 24000 = 6000 \text{ in}, \quad 6000 \text{ in} \times 1.58 \times 10^{-5} = 0.09 \text{ mile}} = \frac{260 \text{ ft}}{0.09 \text{ mi}} = 2888.9 \text{ ft/mile}$$

9. Calculate the average gradient of Smith Stream between points E and F. Calculate gradient in ft/mi. Show all your math work.

$$\text{Gradient} = \frac{1340 \text{ ft (E)} - 750 \text{ ft (F)}}{1816 \text{ in} \times 24000 = 36000 \text{ in}, \quad 36000 \times 1.58 \times 10^{-5} = 0.569 \text{ mi}} = \frac{590 \text{ ft}}{0.569 \text{ mi}} = 1036.9 \text{ ft/mile}$$

10. Based on your results from questions 8 and 9 above, what can you conclude about the change in stream gradient when water flows from high elevation to low elevation? Describe your observations. Steep at first, then "flattens" out.

11. What is the shape of the channel pattern of Sequatchie River near point A? What about point B? Is this river braided in any given reach?

A = straight, B = meandering

12. Calculate the maximum relief for this map (answer in feet).

$$1360 \text{ ft} - 600 \text{ ft} = 1260 \text{ ft}$$

13. Is the topography around Dittany Point relatively steep or relatively gentle? What about the hill above Dancing Fern Cave? DP = steep

DFC = relative gentle

14. What fluvial landform is Coppinger Chapel located on? Is this an erosional or depositional landform? What fluvial landform is Camp Glancy located on?

CG \rightarrow floodplain - depositional.

CC \rightarrow alluvial fan

