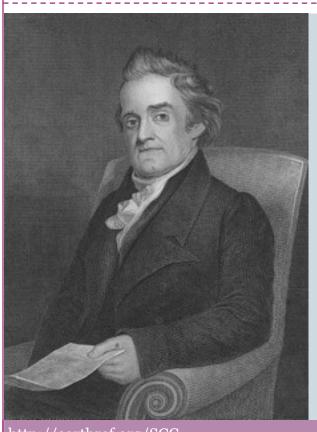
# Topography



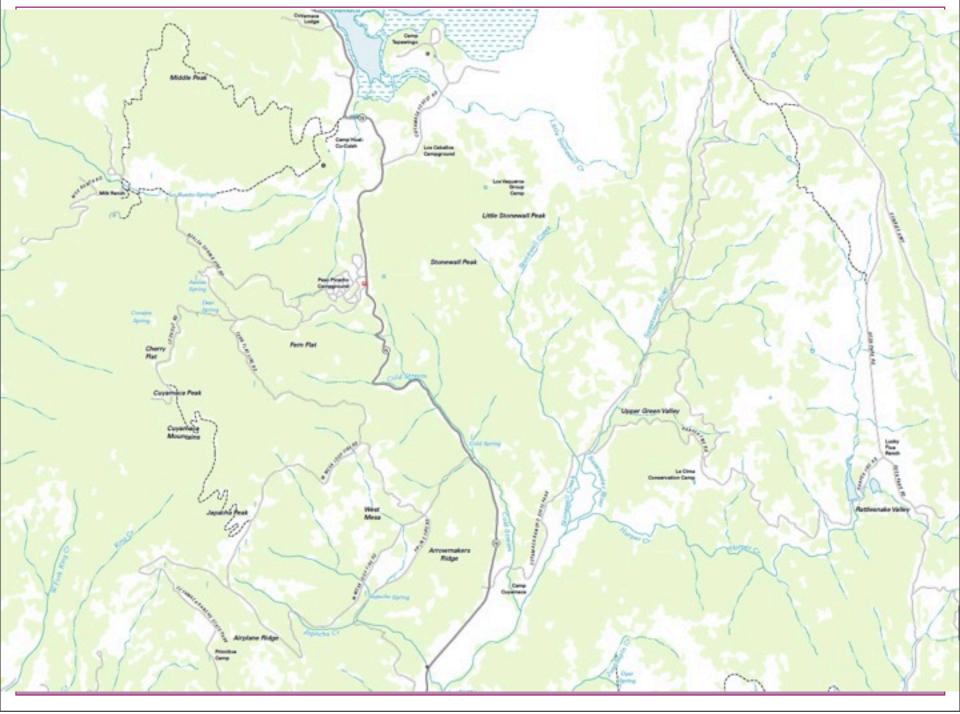
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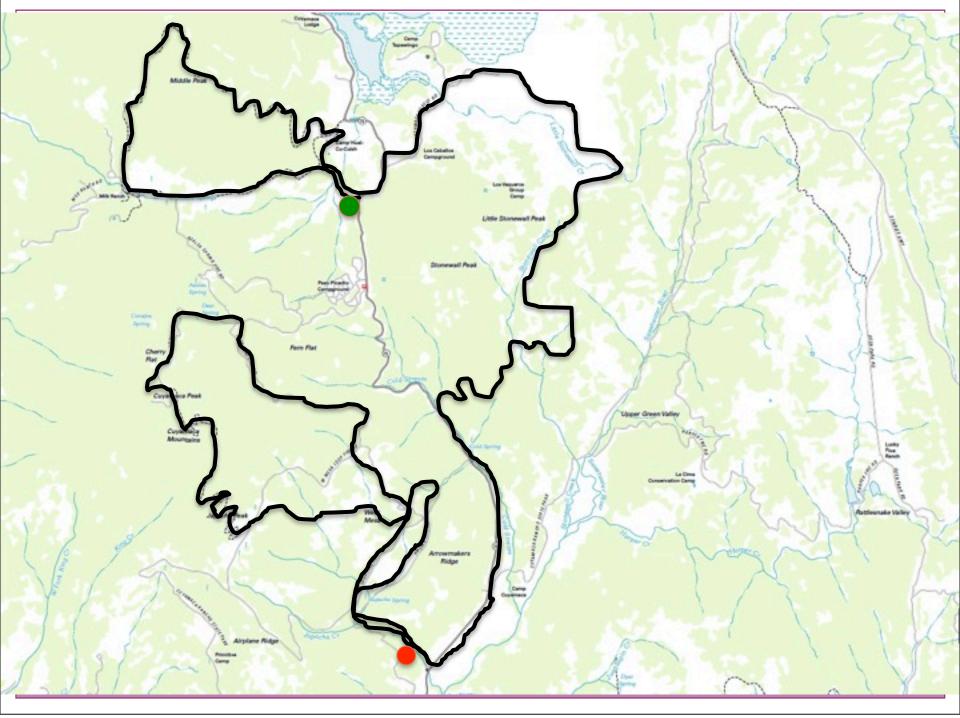
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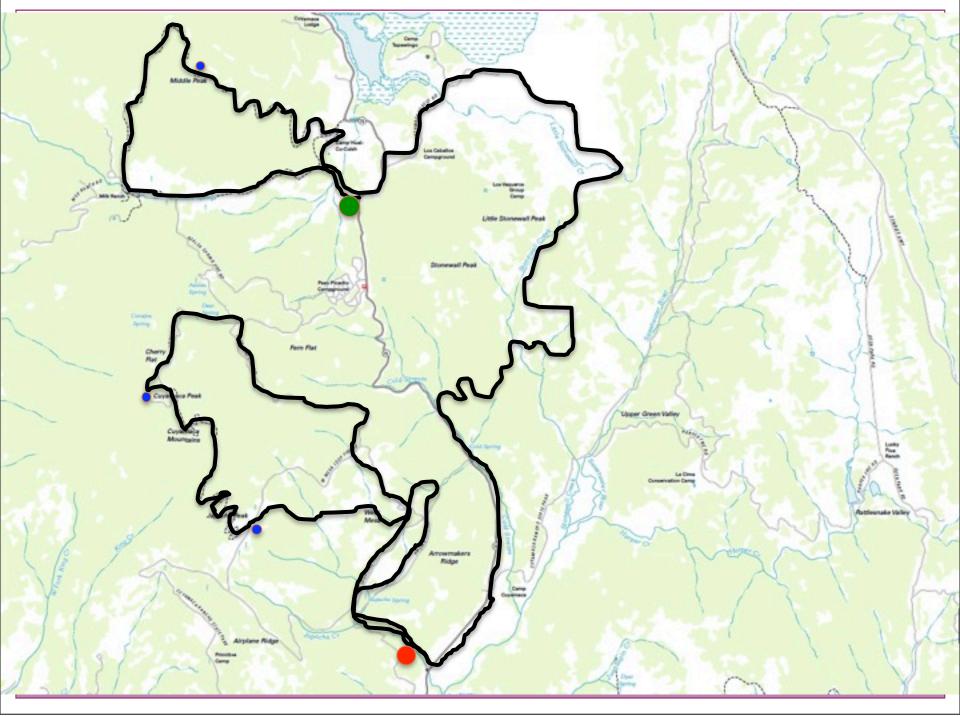
: the art or science of making maps that show the height, shape, etc., of the land in a particular area

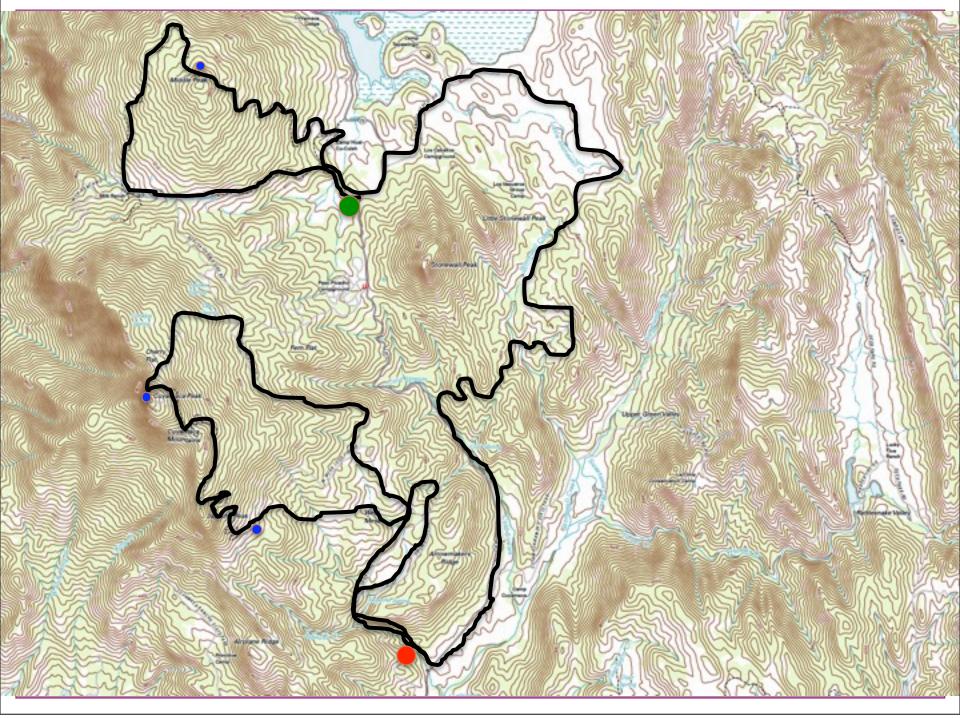
: the features (such as mountains and rivers) in an area of land

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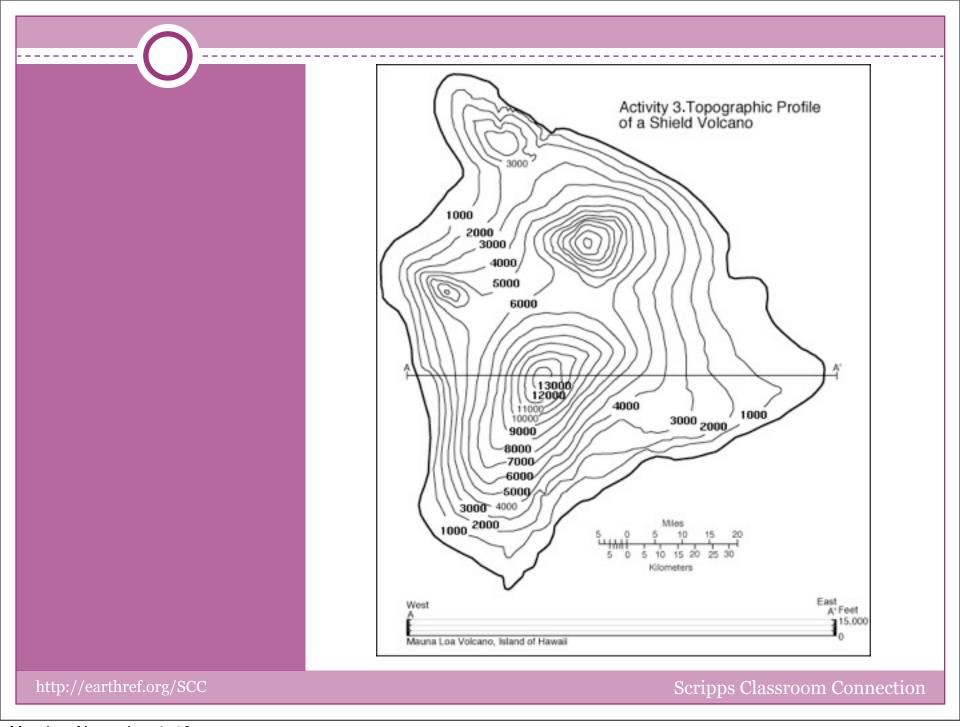


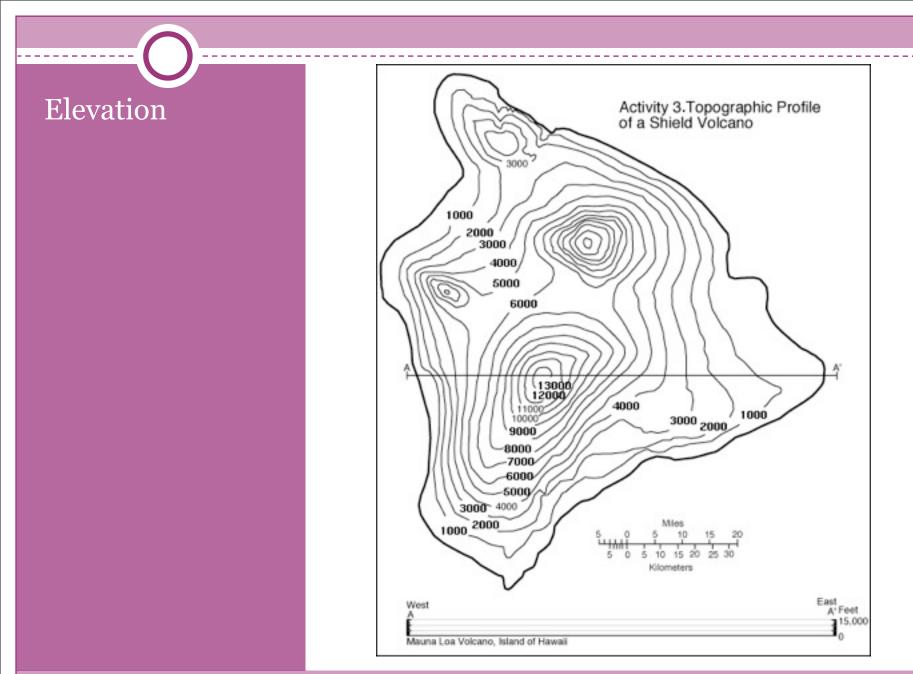




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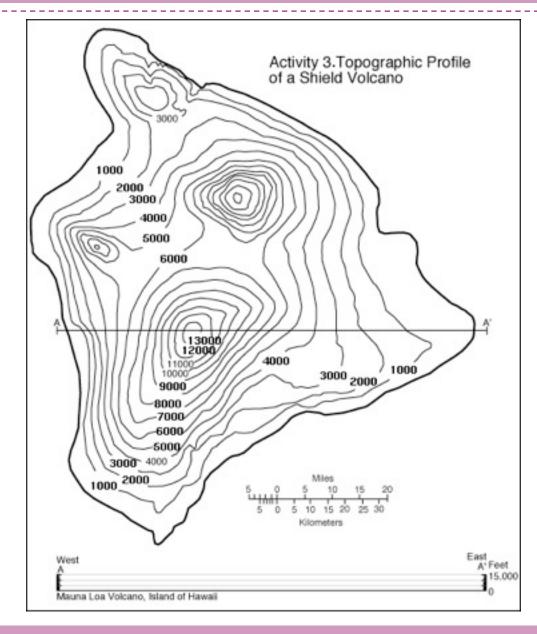






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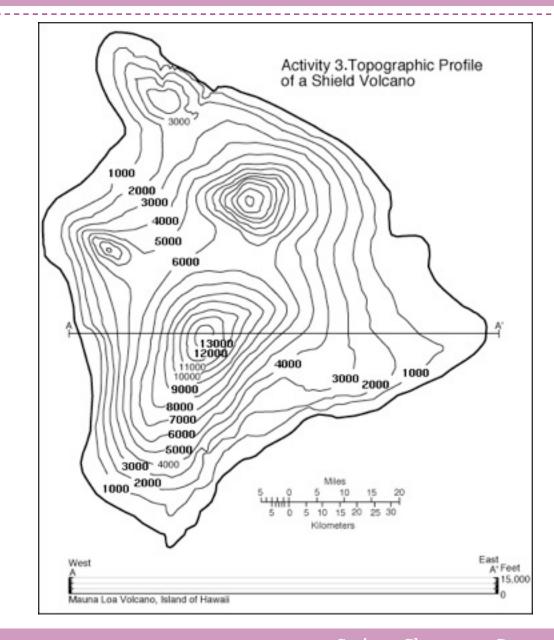
Height of a place relative to a reference height.



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#### Contour Line

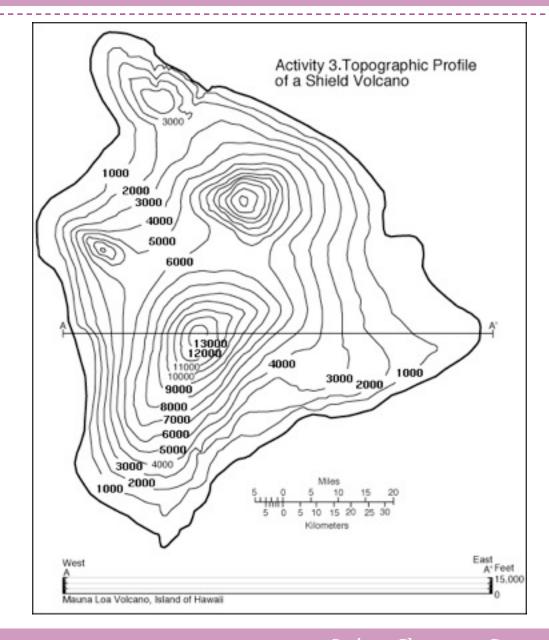


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#### Contour Line

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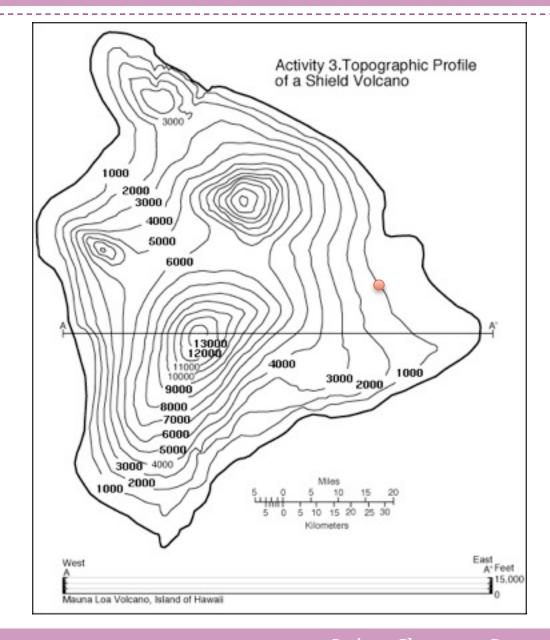


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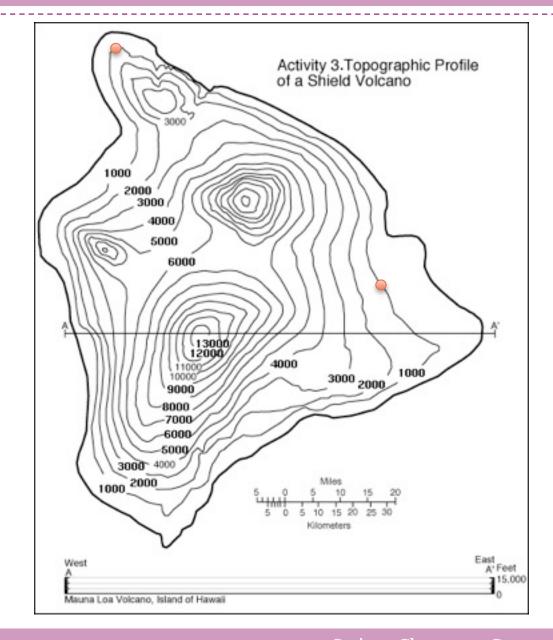


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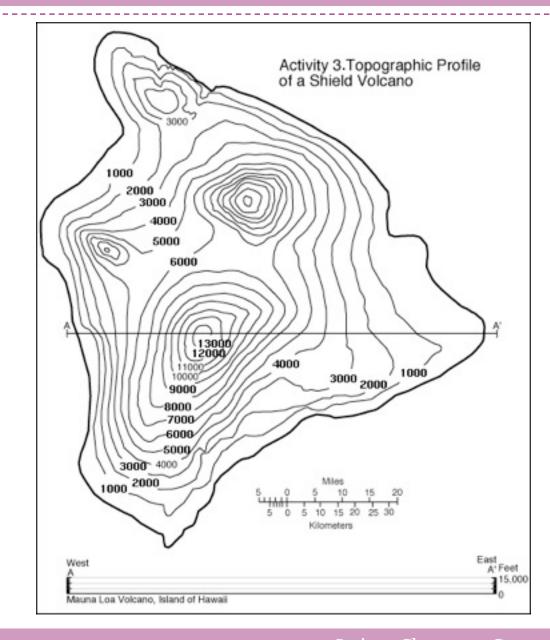


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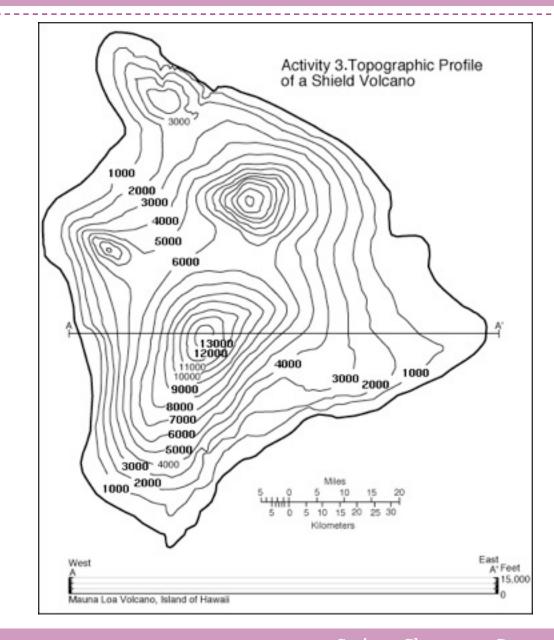
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Contour Interval



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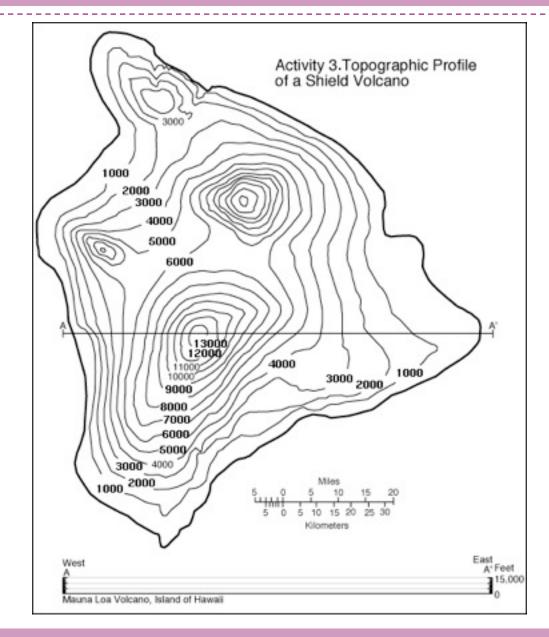
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#### Contour Line

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#### Contour Interval

The difference in elevation between two adjacent contour lines.



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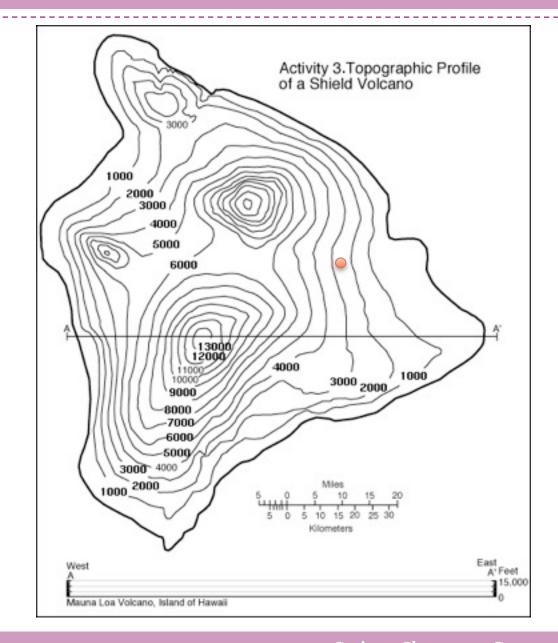
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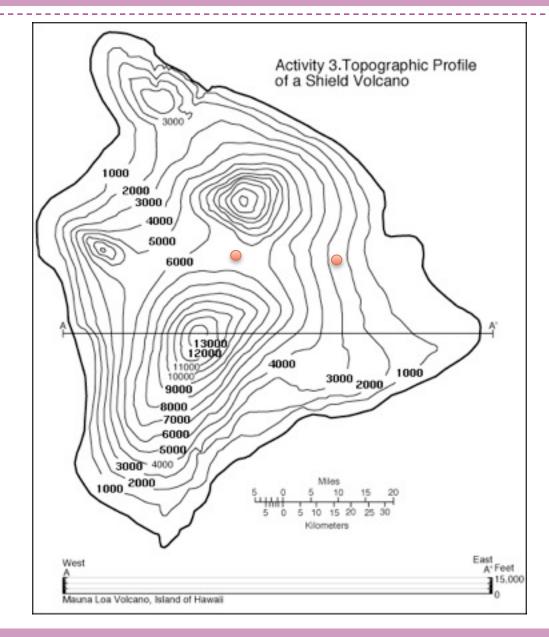
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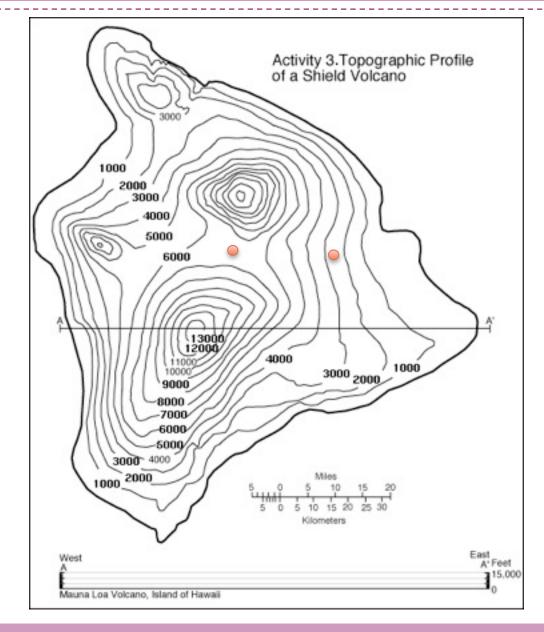
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**Depression Contour** 



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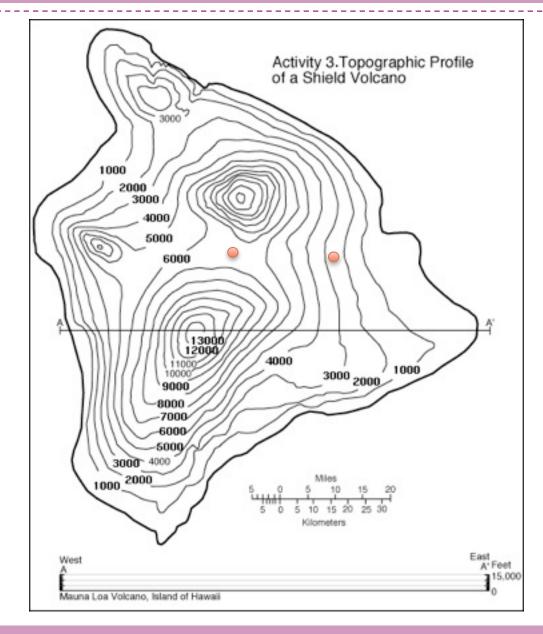
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#### Depression Contour

Contour lines indicating a downward slope (drawn with hatch marks).



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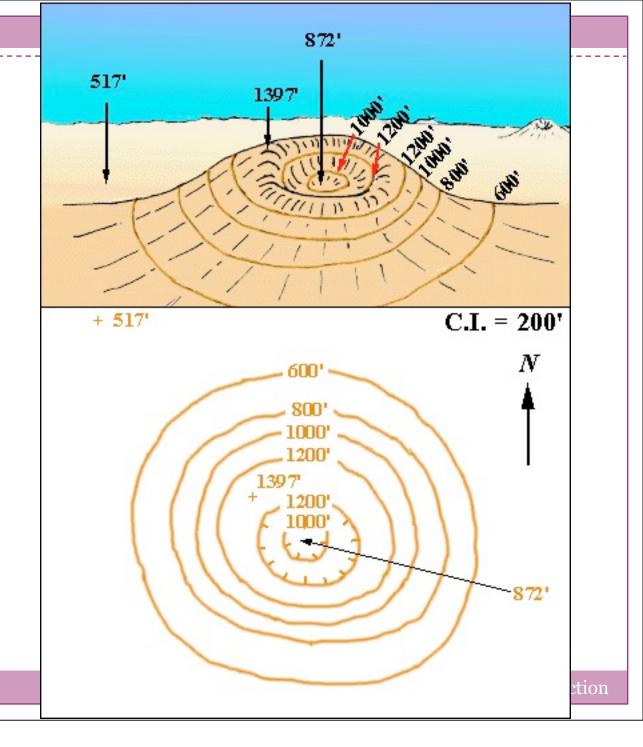
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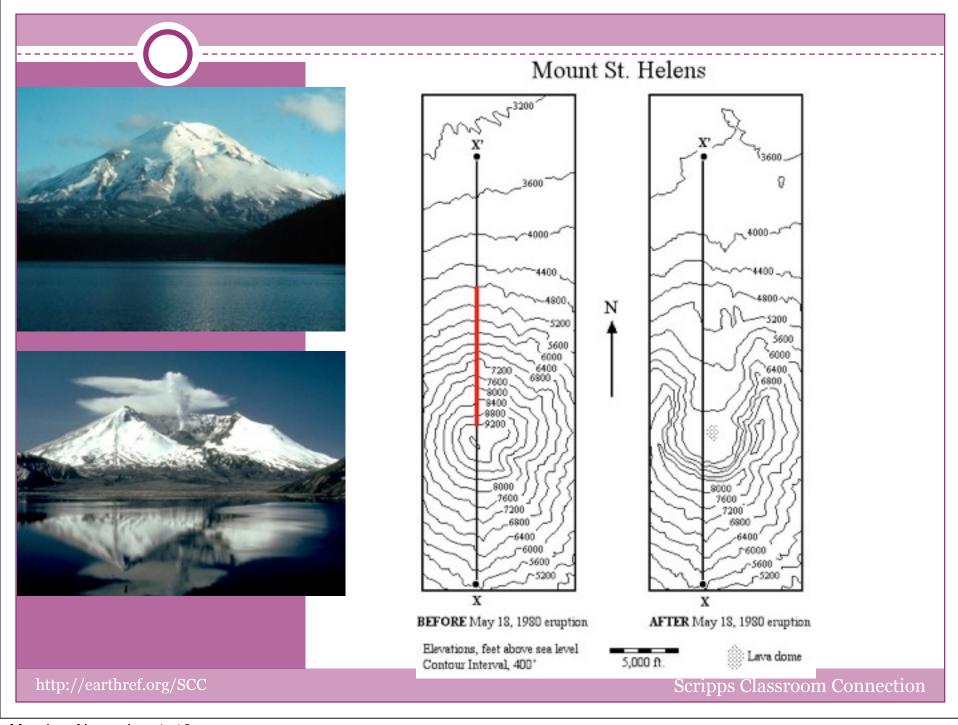
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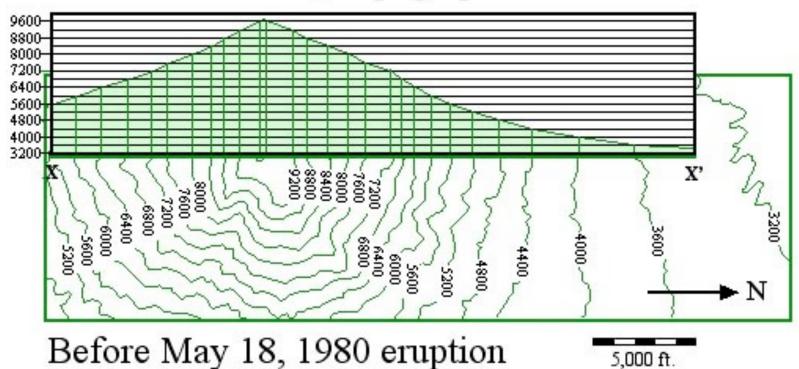




### Mount St. Helens Eruption

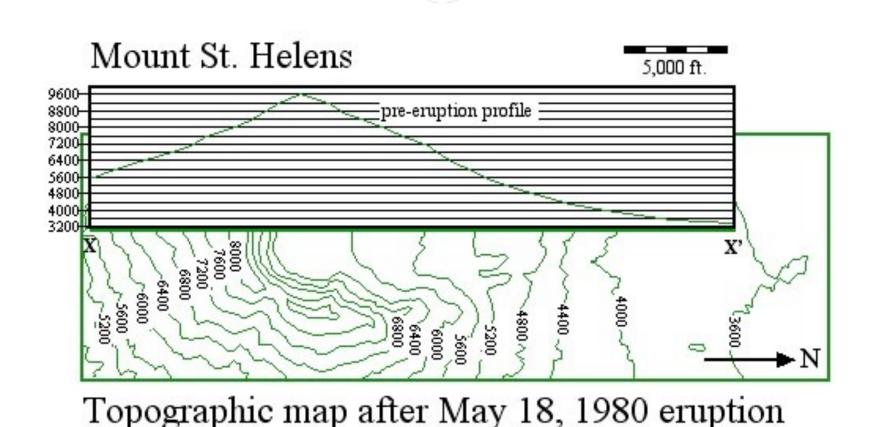


### Mount St. Helens, Topographic Profile

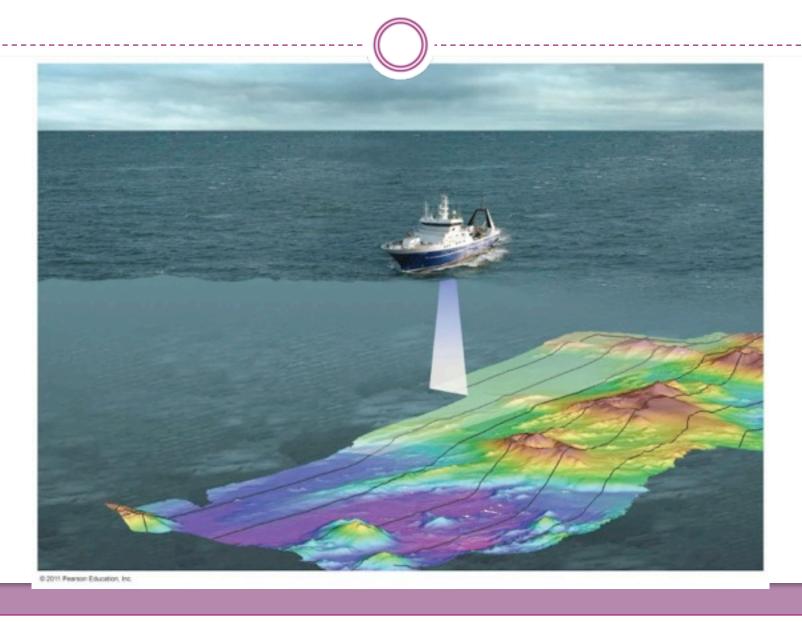




### Mount St. Helens Eruption



### Topography in the Ocean - Bathymetry



### Topographic Mapping Practice

Use the topographic plots labeled A, B and C below to answer the practice questions. Assume the contour interval is given in feet.

