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True / False

1. Longitude is measured in the same units as latitude.

- a. True
- b. False

ANSWER: True

REFERENCES: Maps and Location on Earth

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: PHYG.PETR.17.2.1 - Explain the ways that Earth and its regions, places, and locations can be represented on a variety of visual media—maps, aerial photographs, and other imagery.

KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

2. Remote sensing is the collection of information and data about distant objects or environments.

- a. True
- b. False

ANSWER: True

REFERENCES: Remote Sensing of the Environment

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: PHYG.PETR.17.2.4 - Demonstrate knowledge of techniques that support geographic investigations, including mapping, spatial analysis, global positioning systems (GPS), geographic information systems (GIS), and remote sensing.

KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

3. A representative fraction (RF) scale on a map must be expressed in terms of some unit of measurement.

- a. True
- b. False

ANSWER: False

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: PHYG.PETR.17.2.3 - Find and describe the locations of places using coordinate systems, use topographic maps to find elevations, and understand the three types of map scales.

KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Understand

4. Earth is perfectly spherical.

- a. True
- b. False

ANSWER: False

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5. Latitude indicates a point's location north or south of the equator.

- a. True
- b. False

ANSWER: True

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

6. In the U.S. Public Lands Survey System, townships contain 36 sections.

- a. True
- b. False

ANSWER: True

REFERENCES: The Geographic Grid

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: PHYG.PETR.17.2.2 - Assess the nature and useful applications of maps and map-like presentations of the planet, or parts of Earth, citing some examples.

KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

7. A map that shows both area and shape fairly well but that is not exactly correct for either, so that an "accurate looking" global map can be constructed, is called a compromise projection.

- a. True
- b. False

ANSWER: True

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

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8. A compass needle may not point directly to the north geographic pole.

- a. True
- b. False

ANSWER: True

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Understand

9. The farther apart contour lines are on an isoline map, the steeper the gradient.

- a. True
- b. False

ANSWER: False

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Understand

10. One characteristic of a great circle is that it must pass through both the north and south poles.

- a. True
- b. False

ANSWER: False

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

11. The global positioning system (GPS) uses a network of satellites to accurately determine one's location on Earth's surface.

- a. True
- b. False

ANSWER: True

REFERENCES: The Geographic Grid

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

12. On a map with a scale of 1:25,000, 1 inch on the map represents 25,000 feet on Earth.

- a. True
- b. False

ANSWER: False

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Understand

13. Parallels run north and south and intersect meridians at 90° angles.

- a. True
- b. False

ANSWER: False

REFERENCES: The Geographic Grid

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: PHYG.PETR.17.2.2 - Assess the nature and useful applications of maps and map-like presentations of the planet, or parts of Earth, citing some examples.

KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

14. The Mercator projection greatly exaggerates the size of areas in the high latitude regions.

- a. True
- b. False

ANSWER: True

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

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15. The great circle of the equator has a greater circumference than a great circle running through the poles.

- a. True
- b. False

ANSWER: True

REFERENCES: Maps and Location on Earth

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: PHYG.PETR.17.2.1 - Explain the ways that Earth and its regions, places, and locations can

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be represented on a variety of visual media—maps, aerial photographs, and other imagery.

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Multiple Choice

16. A map of the Arctic Ocean and the surrounding polar region is likely to utilize a ____ projection.

- a. cylindrical
- b. hexagonal
- c. planar
- d. conical
- e. Cubic

ANSWER: c

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: PHYG.PETR.17.2.3 - Find and describe the locations of places using coordinate systems, use topographic maps to find elevations, and understand the three types of map scales.

KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

17. Lines of longitude are numbered from 0° to ____ (E and W).

- a. 15°
- b. 360°
- c. 270°
- d. 180°
- e. 90°

ANSWER: d

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

18. When creating a map, it is impossible to ____.

- a. include the North or South Poles
- b. accurately maintain all a spherical planet's geometric properties
- c. keep lines of latitude parallel
- d. scale the map accurately
- e. represent topography

ANSWER: b

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: PHYG.PETR.17.2.3 - Find and describe the locations of places using coordinate systems, use topographic maps to find elevations, and understand the three types of map scales.

KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Understand

19. For a digital elevation model, ____ is the practice of stretching the vertical scale to enhance the relief of an area.

- a. scalar magnification
- b. vertical exaggeration
- c. remote sensing

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- d. scaling
- e. contouring

ANSWER: b

REFERENCES: Modern Mapmaking

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: PHYG.PETR.17.2.5 - Evaluate the advantages and limitations of different kinds of representations of Earth and its areas.

KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

20. The computer-based technology called ____ represents a "marriage" between computer cartography and database management.

- a. spectral analysis
- b. multi-spectral scanning
- c. spatial analysis
- d. geographic information system (GIS)
- e. conformal projection

ANSWER: d

REFERENCES: Modern Mapmaking

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Understand

21. A map capable of showing true directions as straight lines running through a central point is called a(n) ____.

- a. Mercator map
- b. equal-area map
- c. planar map
- d. focal map
- e. azimuthal map

ANSWER: e

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

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22. Which of these is an example of an active remote sensing system?

- a. video from unmanned aerial vehicles
- b. aerial photography
- c. near-infrared (NIR) imaging
- d. thermal infrared satellite images
- e. radar

ANSWER: e

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Understand

23. Cartography is the science and profession of ____.
- a. data collection
 - b. surveying
 - c. navigation
 - d. satellite sensor design
 - e. mapmaking

ANSWER: e

REFERENCES: Maps and Location on Earth

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24. A map of soil types is an example of a(n) ____ map.
- a. oblate
 - b. gnomonic
 - c. conformal
 - d. thematic
 - e. verbal

ANSWER: d

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25. The circle of illumination divides Earth into two hemispheres known as ____.
- a. longitude and latitude
 - b. east and west
 - c. summer and winter
 - d. day and night
 - e. north and south

ANSWER: d

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26. The Mercator map projection is actually a(n) ____ projection that has been mathematically adjusted.
- a. conical
 - b. interrupted
 - c. cylindrical
 - d. equal-area
 - e. planar

ANSWER: c

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27. A map scale of 1:100,000 is an example of a(n) _____.

- a. graphic scale
- b. bar scale
- c. thematic scale
- d. representative fraction scale
- e. verbal scale

ANSWER: d

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28. Latitude angles _____ as one moves away from the equator.

- a. decrease
- b. increase and then decrease
- c. increase
- d. are constant
- e. change with longitude

ANSWER: c

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29. Any circle on Earth's surface that does not divide the planet into equal halves is called a(n) _____.

- a. hemisphere
- b. great circle
- c. quadrant
- d. small circle
- e. semicircle

ANSWER: d

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30. 10°30'N latitude can also be described in decimal degrees as _____.

- a. -10.3
- b. -10.5
- c. 10.5

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d. 10.3

e. -80.7

ANSWER: c

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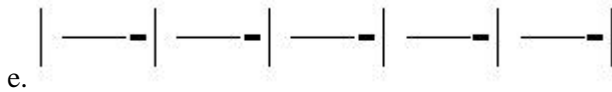
31. Which of these is an example of a verbal scale?

a. a north arrow

b. 1:10, 000

c. contour interval = 20 ft

d. 1 inch to 10 miles



ANSWER: d

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32. On a standard near-infrared (false-color) image, the color red represents ____.

a. roads

b. areas of barren land

c. areas that are hot

d. growing vegetation

e. open water

ANSWER: d

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

33. In the U.S. Public Lands Survey System, one section covers ____.

a. 1 square mile

b. 36 square miles

c. 1 acre

d. 6 acres

e. 6 square miles

ANSWER: a

REFERENCES: The Geographic Grid

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34. Lines on a map that connect points with the same numerical value are called ____.
- a. rhumb lines
 - b. great circles
 - c. isolines
 - d. small circles
 - e. base lines

ANSWER: c

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Understand

35. The term "parallels" refers to ____.
- a. rhumb lines
 - b. great circle routes
 - c. lines of latitude
 - d. lines of longitude
 - e. lines of meridian

ANSWER: c

REFERENCES: The Geographic Grid

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36. Mercator maps show the greatest amount of distortion in the ____.
- a. Eastern Hemisphere
 - b. Atlantic Ocean
 - c. middle latitudes
 - d. equatorial regions
 - e. polar regions

ANSWER: e

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

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37. Which remote sensing system is used to measure land surface elevations?
- a. thermal infrared
 - b. lidar
 - c. aerial photographs
 - d. near-infrared
 - e. ultraviolet (UV)

ANSWER: b

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38. A geographic information system (GIS) can manage multiple datasets for an area by keeping them in separate ____.
- a. gradients
 - b. projections
 - c. layers
 - d. legends
 - e. visualization models

ANSWER: c

REFERENCES: Modern Mapmaking

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39. Which instrument could you use to determine your current latitude?
- a. compass
 - b. chronometer
 - c. pixel
 - d. sextant
 - e. sonar

ANSWER: d

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40. Globally, how many time zones are there?
- a. 4
 - b. 24
 - c. 10
 - d. 40
 - e. 180

ANSWER: b

REFERENCES: The Geographic Grid

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Completion

41. The _____ is the arbitrary starting point for longitude measurement. (two words)

ANSWER: prime meridian

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42. If one topographic contour represents an elevation of 60 feet, and the next contour represents 80 feet, then the _____ is 20 feet. (two words)

ANSWER: contour interval

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Understand

43. The relationship between distances on the ground and the same distance as it appears on the map is called _____.

ANSWER: scale

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

44. A key that explains symbols used on a map is called a(n) _____.

ANSWER: legend

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

45. Maps that maintain true shape of areas are said to be _____.

ANSWER: conformal

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

46. The angular difference between true north and magnetic north is called _____. (two words)

ANSWER: magnetic declination

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

47. An active remote sensing system that uses reflections from emitted sound waves to probe ocean depths is called ____.

ANSWER: sonar

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

48. The _____ system divides compass directions into four quadrant of 90° (N, E, S, W), each numbered by directions in degrees away from either north or south.

ANSWER: bearing

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

49. Phenomena that are each located at a particular place, but do not exist everywhere, can be represented by _____ data.

ANSWER: discrete

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

50. An aerial photograph taken at an acute angle to Earth's surface is known as a(n) _____ image.

ANSWER: oblique

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51. The perspective of maps that present a landscape if viewed from directly overhead, looking straight down, is described as _____ view.

ANSWER: plan, planimetric

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

52. The size of the area imaged by each pixel of a satellite image is called the spatial _____.

ANSWER: resolution

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

53. Weather _____ systems produce map-like images of precipitation.

ANSWER: radar

REFERENCES: Remote Sensing of the Environment

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: PHYG.PETR.17.2.6 - Understand how the proper techniques, images, and maps can be used

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to best advantage in solving geographic problems.

KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

54. Satellites in a(n) _____ orbit stay located over the same spot above Earth.

ANSWER: geostationary, geosynchronous

REFERENCES: Remote Sensing of the Environment

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: PHYG.PETR.17.2.5 - Evaluate the advantages and limitations of different kinds of representations of Earth and its areas.

KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

55. Using and comparing more than one kind of image of the same place (for example, near-infrared and normal color) is called ____ remote sensing.

ANSWER: multispectral

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Remember

Essay

56. Why is it so difficult to produce maps of the globe that accurately maintain all geometric properties?

ANSWER: It is impossible to present a spherical planet on a flat (two-dimensional) surface and accurately maintain all of its geometric properties.

REFERENCES: Maps and Map Projections

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Understand

57. Explain conformal, equal-area, and compromise world maps in terms of their advantages and drawbacks. What are some of the applications for each kind?

ANSWER: Conformal maps maintain the correct shapes of areas, but do not preserve size. Equal-area maps maintain size, but distort shapes. Compromise projections are neither conformal nor equal-area, but can produce "accurate looking" maps. Equal-area maps are useful for showing the distributions of features such as earthquakes or hurricanes. Conformal maps represent the globe in an easily recognizable form. Compromise projections are a happy medium that minimizes misleading inaccuracies.

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58. What piece of information do you need to accurately use a compass in a new area, and why?

ANSWER: You need to know the magnetic declination, the angular difference between magnetic north and true geographic north for a location. Having this is necessary because the magnetic north pole and the geographic North Pole are not in exactly the same place.

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KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Understand

59. How could you use a geographic information system (GIS) to map out homes at risk from coastal flooding in an area? What sorts of map layers might you need?

ANSWER: Modern Mapmaking

REFERENCES: PHYG.PETR.17.2.6

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: PHYG.PETR.17.2.6 - Understand how the proper techniques, images, and maps can be used to best advantage in solving geographic problems.

KEYWORDS: Bloom's: Apply

60. Explain the difference between active and passive remote sensing systems, giving an example of each.

ANSWER: Passive systems make use of available energy where an image is taken. Active systems emit a form of energy and record its reflected return from a surface. Examples of passive systems include near-infrared and thermal infrared imaging. Examples of active systems include radar, lidar, and sonar.

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