



Topography

The shape of the land

Vocab For Topography



Elevation

The height of a point above sea level on Earth's surface

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Relief

The difference in elevation between the highest and lowest points of an area

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What landforms can you see
and name in this picture?

Types of maps

01

Aerial Photography

Pictures taken from airplanes (or even drones these days)

03

Satellite Imagery

Digital images using data from satellites about Earth's surfaces

02

GPS

Global Positioning System is a network of orbiting satellites

04

GIS

Geography Information System is hardware/software for maps





Go to
maps.google.com

Aerial Photography!



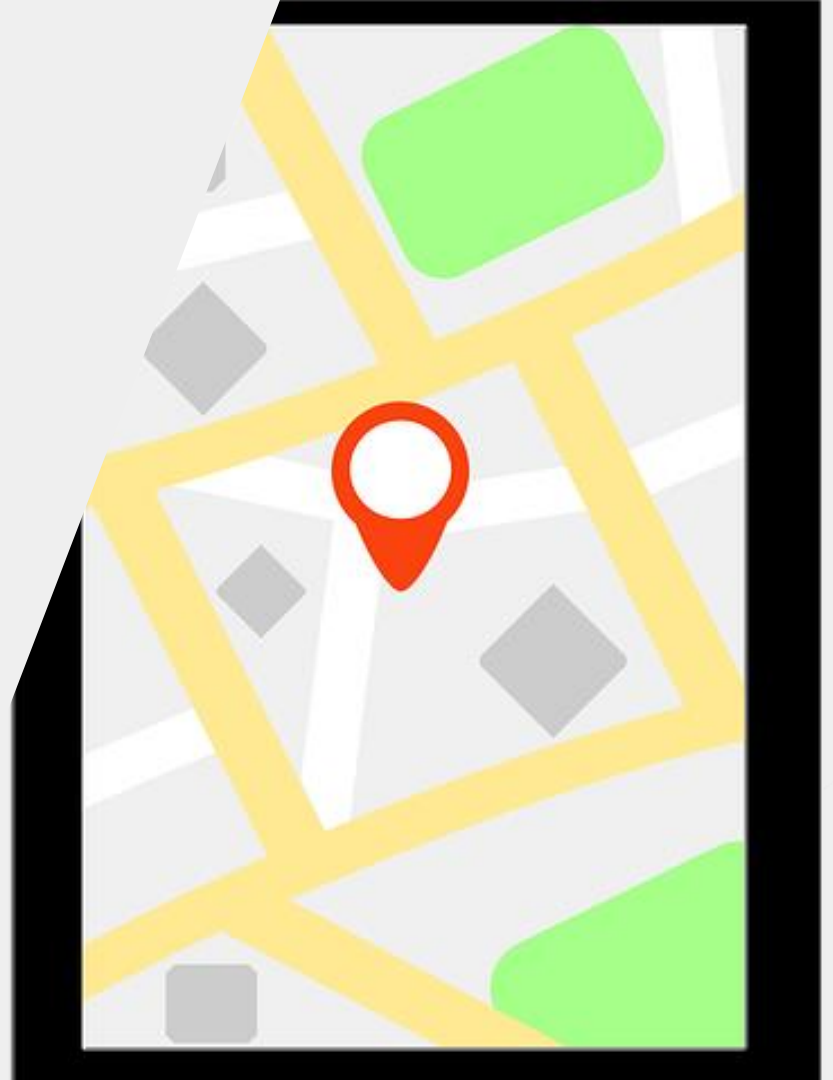
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Satellite Imagery!

GPS

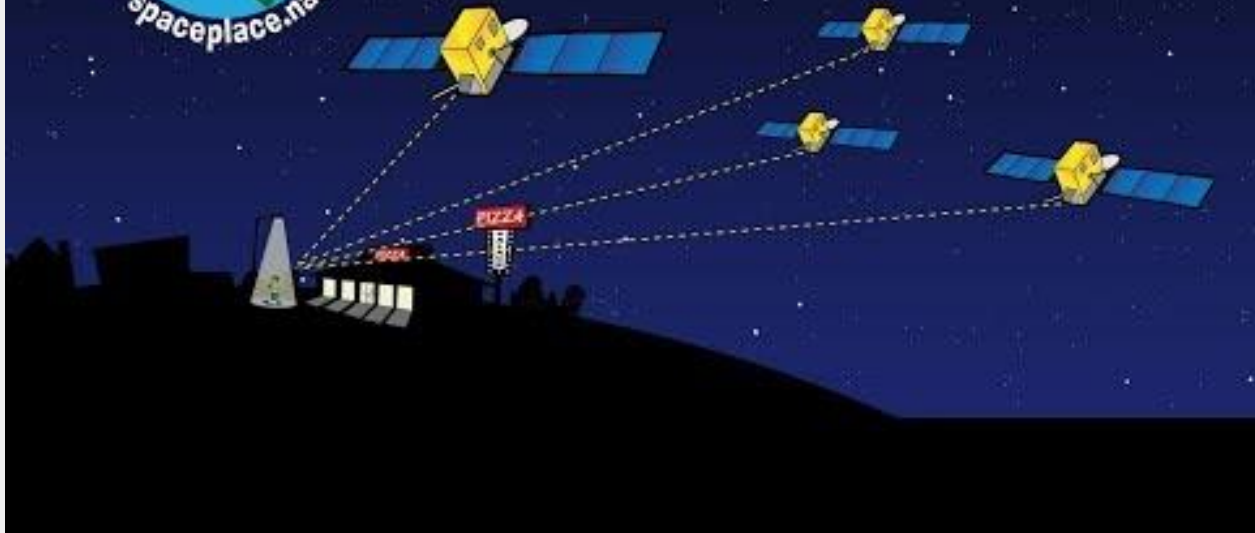
Global Positioning System uses 24 orbiting satellites that constantly say their location and then your phone uses three of them to tell you exactly where you are.

More info [here](#)





How does GPS work?





GIS

Geography Information System







Explore!

Go [here](#) and [here](#) to explore some GIS maps

Google
Classroom
Question

Which map
type do you
think is most
helpful? Why?



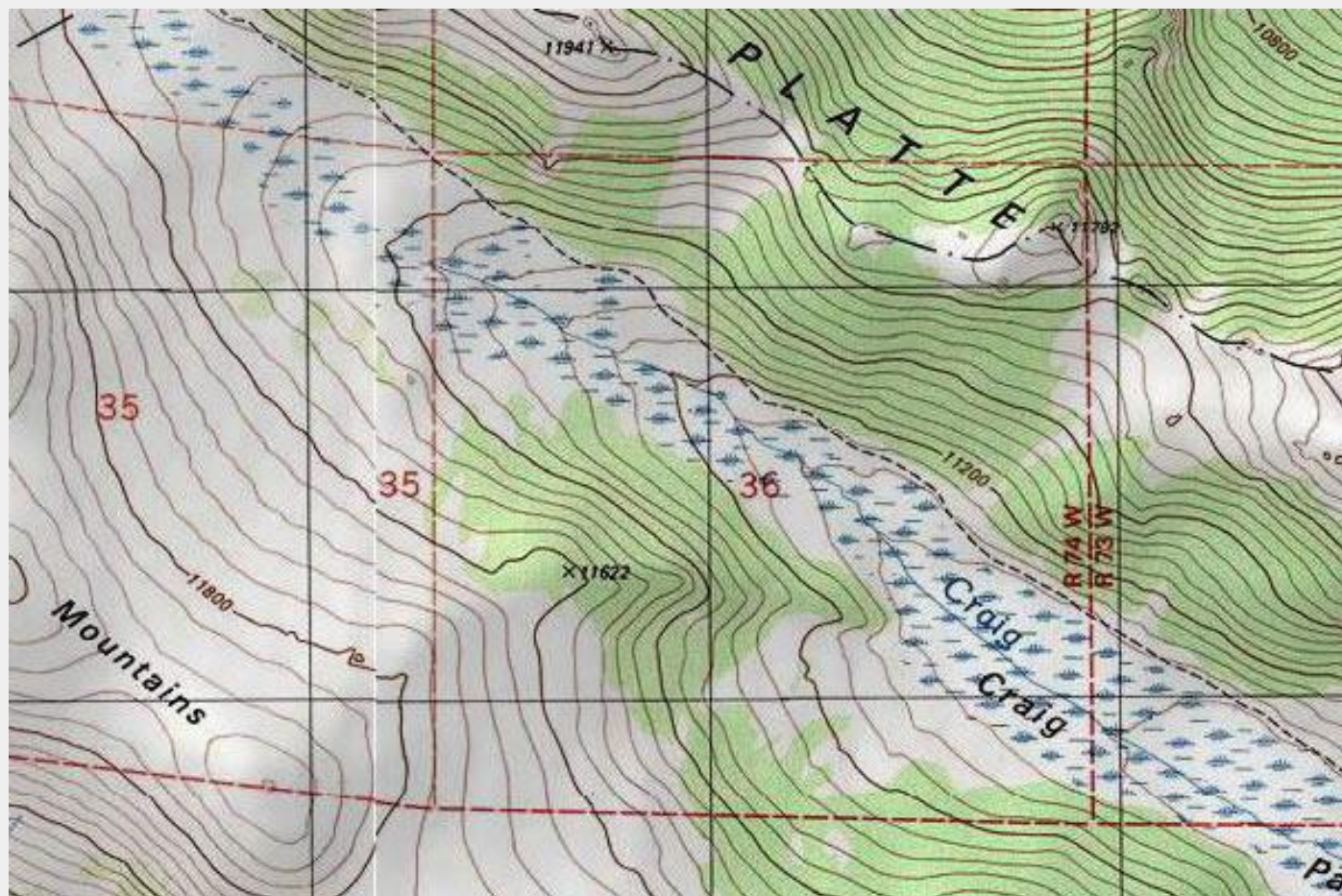


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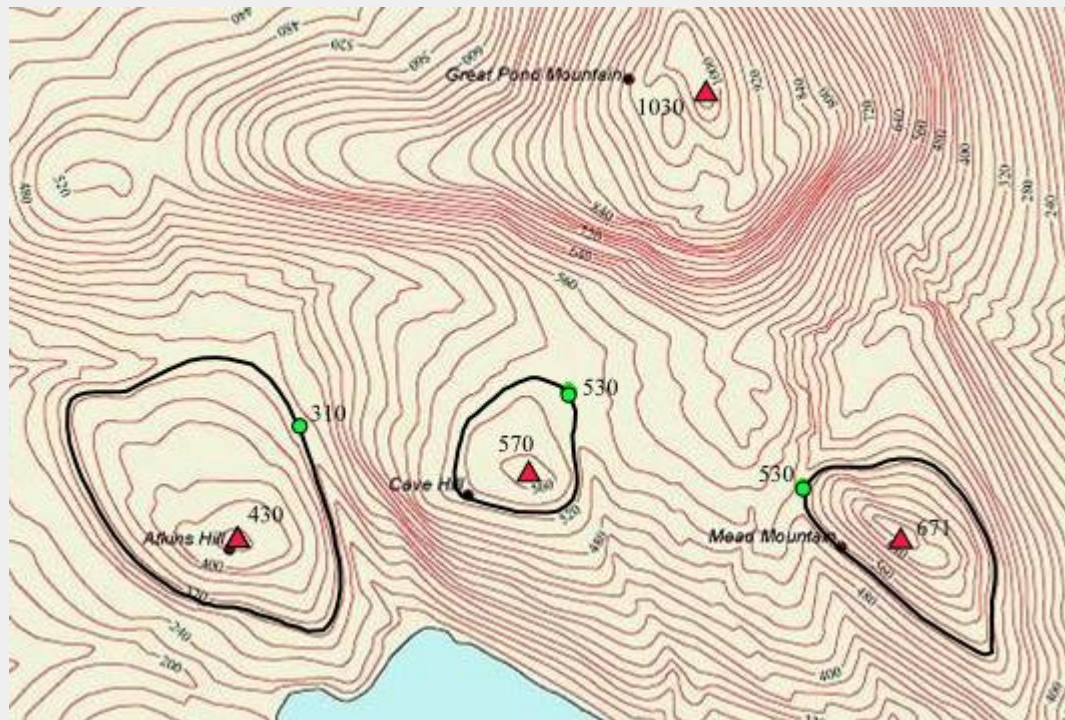
1. Aerial photography
2. Satellite imagery
3. GPS
4. GIS
5. Topographic

Which of these are you most comfortable with?

Which are you least comfortable with?

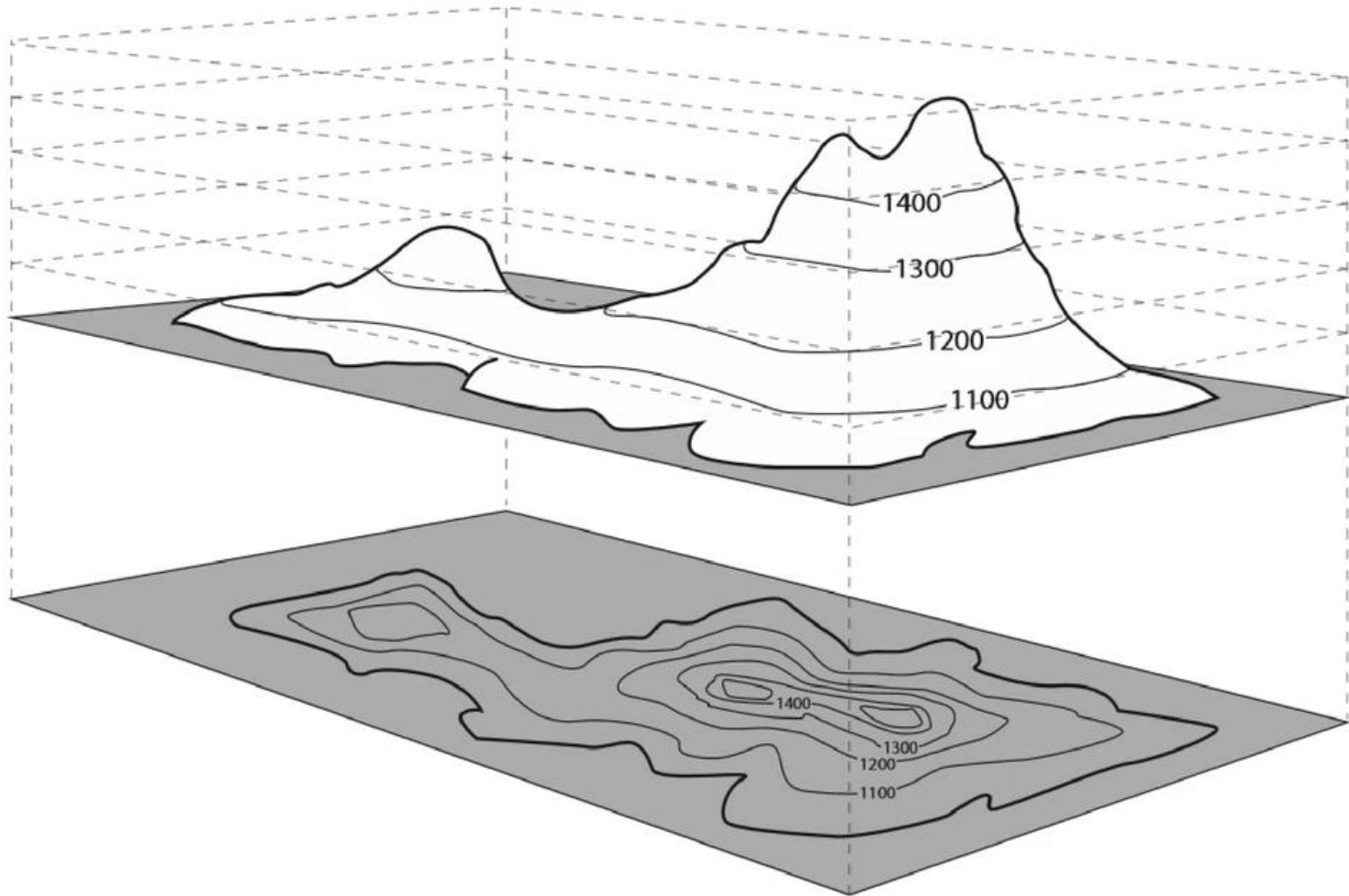


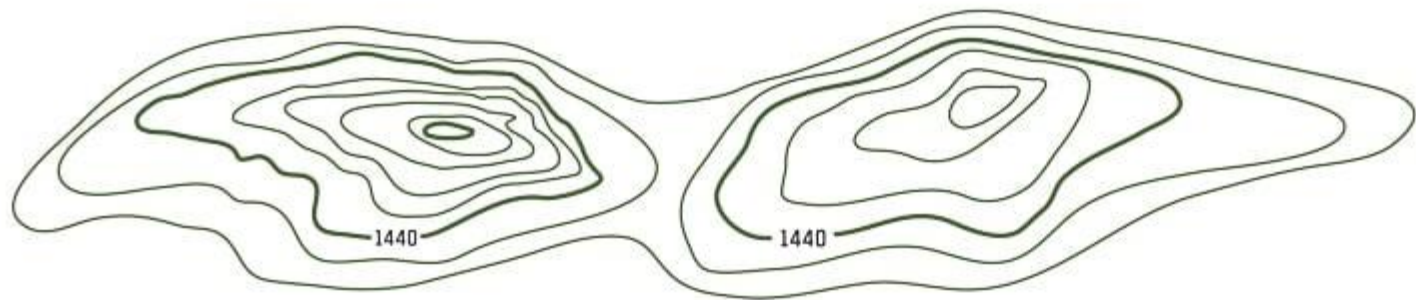
Topographic Maps - Contour lines



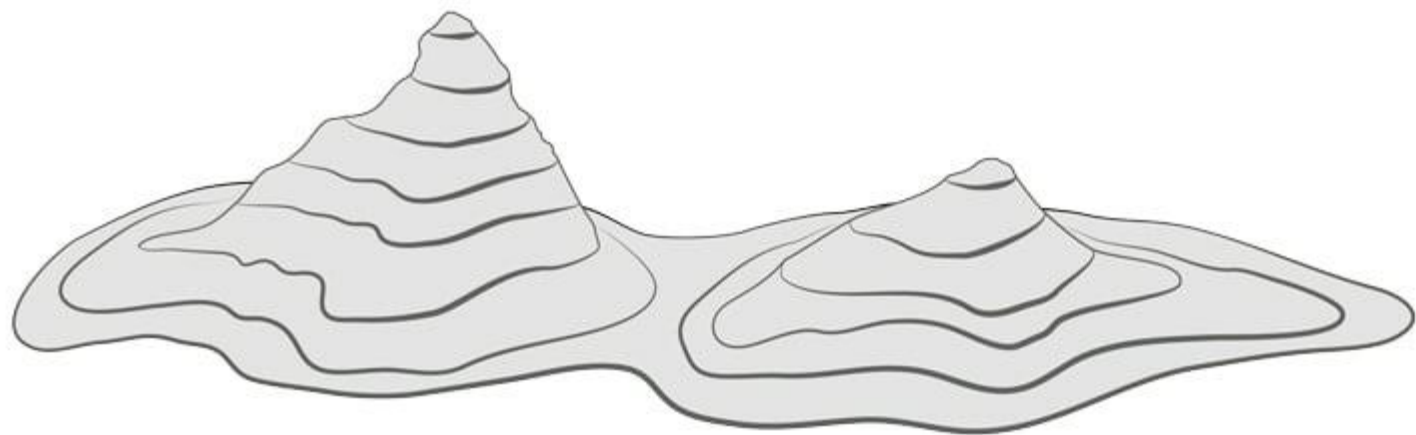
How to Read a Topo Map







**WHAT YOU SEE
ON YOUR MAP**

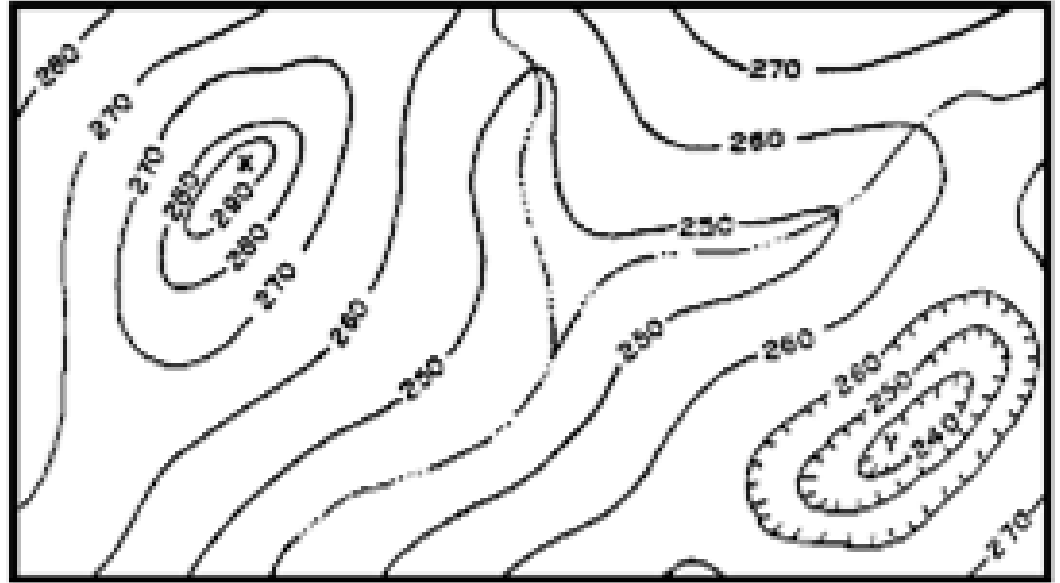


**3-D VIEW
OF LANDMARK**

Depressions

What if there is a hole in the ground, though?

How do you put THAT on your topographic map?



Topographic maps



Info

[What](#) are topographic maps

[How](#) to read one

[1908](#) version of how to read

[Basics](#) of topographic maps

Examples

[Examples](#) from USGS

[South Mountain](#) topographic map

[Phoenix](#) Metro Area topographic map

[Create](#) your own topographic map



Others?

What other examples can you find? What about other countries?

Based on this map, what can you tell me about the topography of this region?



Landforms

Mountains

Has both high elevation and high relief

Plateaus and Plains

Plateaus have high elevation and low relief, while plains have low elevation and low relief

Coastlines

The boundary between the land and the ocean

Dunes


Hill of sand piled up by the wind and ever changing

Rivers and Deltas

A river is a natural stream of water that flows into another body of water, while a delta is where the sediment builds up when the river meets the ocean

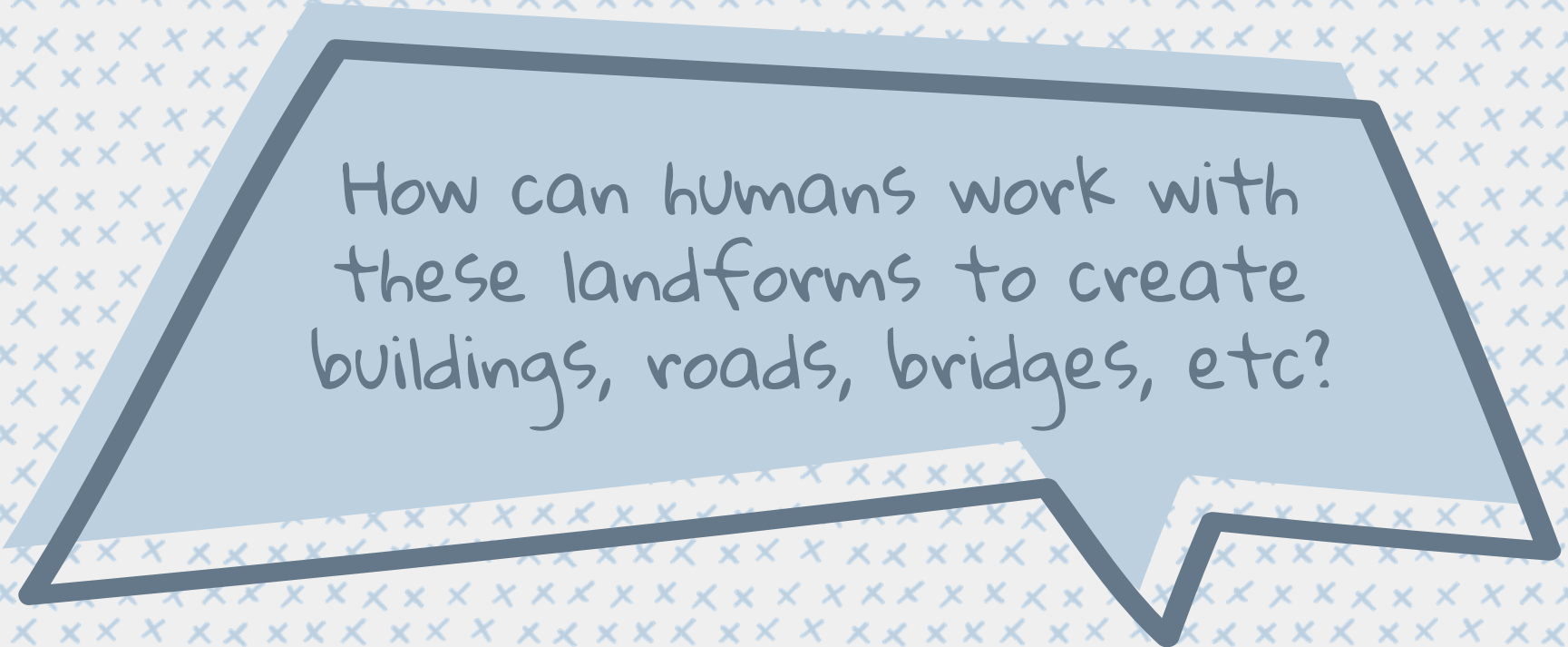
Glaciers

A constant body of dense ice that is moving under its own weight



Find images
of each!

(Each being the landforms
described on pages 16 and
17 in your textbook)



How can humans work with these landforms to create buildings, roads, bridges, etc?

Structural Engineering



Engineering Considerations

Schedule	✗ ✗ ✗	The project schedule is mostly on track
Resourcing	✗ ✗ ✗	Resourcing is adequate, but could be better
Budget	✗ ✗ ✗	Project is within budget
Risks	✗ ✗ ✗	All main project risks are under control
Issues	✗ ✗ ✗	Project issues need to be solved
Benefits	✗ ✗ ✗	Project benefits meet the expectations

Three Options For You

-01-

Use the topography of your room to create a bridge using the materials you have

-02-

Research more into structural engineering and what they do

-03-

Work on missing work in science

What happened?

Using the topography of your room, create a bridge using materials of your room like a structural engineer.

Find the best materials and how to use those materials to make the best bridge.

