

ELEVATIONS, CONTOURS, AND SETUP OF THE LEVEL & FIELD NOTES OVERVIEW

INTRODUCTION

Welcome to week 3: Time to break out the Level and measure Elevations! The Level is the easiest survey instrument to setup and measure vertical heights with. The level of accuracy you can achieve with a Level and the Philadelphia rod can be up to a thousands of a foot; used for those high precision and high dollar construction sites!! We use the level and similar devices to measure differences in elevations. These differences in elevations give us the ability to produce contour lines that show us the "lay of the land." Contour lines allow us to draft hills, valleys, cliffs and other natural or man-made ground features on our maps. For our field lab and assignments, remember to think in tenths of a foot....NO INCHES!!

Topics:

- Introduction to Elevations and Contours
- Introduction and Setup of the Level and Field Notes

Outcomes:

- 1. Student will demonstrate his/her ability to setup and use the Level for elevation measurements.
- 2. Student will demonstrate his/her ability to setup field notes for recordation of elevation measurements.
- 3. Student will demonstrate his/her ability in applied survey math by calculating the elevations of geographic features located and measured in the field.
- 4. Student will demonstrate basic proficiency in identifying characteristics of elevation contours and geographic features in the field and on a map.

ACTIVITIES (REQUIRED)

In-Class Meeting

1. In-Person Class meeting on Saturday, 6/6 @8am - 12pm. (Each class attendance and participation will be worth 5 points.)

Lessons

Work through two Lessons below. Each lesson has several parts with a review quiz after each part. (Each lesson is worth 10 points.)

2. Lesson 3.1 Intro to Elevations and Contours



3. Lesson 3.2 Intro and Setup of Level and Field Notes

Assignments

Submit Assignment 3.1 by 6/10/2015. (10 points)

- 4. Assignment 3.1 Hand Draw Contour Lines
- 5. Assignment 3.2: Leveling & Proper Field Book Setup & Notes-- For Field Lab
- 6. Lab 3: Setup Level and Field Notes -- Measure Elevations
- 7. Assignment 3.3: Calculate Elevations of Points from Field Lab

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