ENGINEER INTELLIGENCE & RECONNAISSANCE

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INTRODUCTION

Engineer intelligence is processed engineer information which is immediately or potentially significant in planning and making sound decisions to accomplish a specific mission.

The engineer, however, has a dual responsibility for producing engineer intelligence. He must furnish intelligence for engineer operations. He must also furnish intelligence to all branches for use in connection with the planning and operational needs of commanders and staffs.

Part of this subcourse is devoted to a discussion of the intelligence cycle, the procedures by which information is collected, processed into intelligence, and distributed to users. The remainder of the subcourse discusses the reconnaissance procedures upon which engineers rely to gather much of the data necessary for engineer intelligence.

This subcourse consists of four lessons and an examination as follows:

Lesson 1. Engineer Intelligence.

2. Engineer Reconnaissance.

3. Route Reconnaissance.


The lessons are not a test from USAES. You will be learning from them and then testing yourself. As soon as you feel ready to take the examination, send the request card to the U. S. Army Engineer School. The grade that you receive on the examination is the grade for the subcourse.

Twelve credit hours are allowed for this subcourse.
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LESSON 1

ENGINEER INTELLIGENCE

CREDIT HOURS ......................................................... 3

TEXT ASSIGNMENT .................................................. Attached programmed text.

LESSON OBJECTIVES ............................................... Upon completion of this lesson, you will be able to:

1. Define military, strategic, combat, and engineer intelligence and describe the relationships between them.

2. Describe the intelligence cycle.

3. Discuss the principles and scope of engineer intelligence.

4. Describe how the intelligence cycle is applied to engineer requirements from the standpoint of planning, collection of data, processing, and dissemination.

5. Describe ways in which engineer intelligence is applied in various military situations.
INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS

How To Study Programmed Instruction.

This is a programmed instruction text in which the information is broken down into small steps called "frames". Each frame contains teaching point, and to let you prove to yourself that you hub learned this point, a response section with blank spaces is provided. Fill in the blanks of the response and then check your answers by the answer line placed just above the next frame. The filling in of the blanks is a necessary part of the programmed instruction technique. Also, correct any wrong answers you may make, as this will help you remember the teaching point. Illustrations, charts, and tables are called "panels" and the related frames will direct you to them for study.

Notice that the pages of the lessons are divided into 2 parts by a horizontal line. Start with the first frame at the top of the page and continue numerically through the frames at the top; then return to the front of the lesson and complete the frames in the bottom half of the page and so on.

As you proceed through the frames, try to pace yourself in your study. Take breaks at convenient stopping points or the completion of topics, such as at the end of a set or lesson.

Self-Tests

At the end of each lesson is a self-test. This is a series of questions covering the lesson as a whole. Answer each one and then verify your answers by referring to the solutions and frames listed at the end of each lesson. This review is an important part of the learning process.

*** IMPORTANT NOTICE ***

THE PASSING SCORE FOR ALL ACCP MATERIAL IS NOW 70%

PLEASE DISREGARD ALL REFERENCES TO THE 75% REQUIREMENT.
Set 1-1. DEFINITION AND CATEGORIES OF INTELLIGENCE

FRAME 1-1.

Military intelligence is information about a possible or actual enemy or area of operations which has been collected, evaluated, analyzed, and interpreted.

Stated another way, we can say that **intelligence** is **processed information**.

To be considered intelligence, ________________________ must be __________________________________ ________________ .

Set 1-4. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION

(intelligence cycle; engineer) (1-27)

FRAME 1-28.

The **planning** and **collection** of engineer information is based on the need for essential elements of information, usually abbreviated to **EEI**.

Essential elements of information form the basis for the ________________________ and ________________________ of engineer information.
Processing consists of **recording**, **evaluating**, and **interpreting** the collected information.

To be processed into intelligence, information must ______________________, _____________________, and ________________.

In Panel 1-6, the evaluation rating system is explained in detail. On the basis of this information, how would you rate the reliability of a new source of information on whom there was no record of previous experience? ______
FRAME 1-2.

Processing consists of recording, evaluating, and interpreting ________________________________ to convert it to ________________________________.

FRAME 1-29.

Essential elements of information are the specific facts which a commander must know to accomplish a particular mission. They vary according to the situation and the level of command which requires them.

The specific facts which a commander needs for a particular mission are called, ________________________________.
Recording, evaluating, and interpreting the collected information comprise the ________________ step of the __________________ ________________.

(F, reliability cannot be judged) (1-81)

If the information provided by the source described in Frame 1-81 proved to be confirmed by other sources rated as A and B, how would you then evaluate the information both as to reliability and accuracy?

________________________________________________________________________
When information has been recorded, evaluated, and interpreted, it becomes __________________________ .

Essential elements of information for any particular collection plan vary according to the ______________ and the _________________ ______ __________________________ .
Recording is the initial step in processing. Information is recorded in various ways. Among these are journals, worksheets, situation maps, and files or lists of special subjects.

The first step in processing is the ________________________________ of information.

As you can see, the evaluations of reliability of source and accuracy of information are independent of each other. Only after repeated experience has developed a basis for judgment would the reliability rating of a new source of information be changed.

What would the rating C-3 indicate about the rated information?
Intelligence is information that has been _________________________. ___________________________ and _________________.

For example, a river crossing is included as part of the offensive drive of a division, which of the following would constitute EEI for the crossing operation?

a. location of port facilities

b. slope and composition of banks
Refer to Panel 1-3 at the end of this lesson. This is a typical journal. As you can see, it covers a 24-hour period and is a log of activities of concern to the S2. It contains summaries of messages, orders, reconnaissance reports, incidents, conferences, and anything else that might contribute to the intelligence effort, in their order of occurrence. It also notes any actions taken, and the disposition of documents.

______________________________________________________________

(fairly reliable source; information possibly true) (1-83)

FRAME 1-84

In the processing step of the intelligence cycle, evaluating information means determining its __________________________, __________________________, and __________________________.
Information differs from intelligence in that it has not been ________________________________. It may be true or false, accurate or inaccurate, confirmed or unconfirmed, pertinent or not pertinent. It becomes intelligence after it has been ________________________________, ________________________________, and ________________________________.

On the other hand, if a theater commander required information about the transportation system of a country, the location of port facilities on the river would definitely be included as EEI, while the slope and composition of the banks would be irrelevant.

Thus it can be seen that the information that comprises EEI depends upon the ________________________________ and the ________________________________ ________ ____________________________.
Set 1-10. INTERPRETATION

(pertinence, reliability, accuracy) (1-84)

FRAME 1-85.

The final step in processing is the interpretation of the evaluated information. Interpretation is the critical judgment involving analysis (taking apart), integration (putting together), and deduction (forming conclusions).

Analysis, integration, and deduction are the three steps involved in the ______________________________ of information.
Military intelligence generally falls into two basic categories, **strategic**, and **combat** (or tactical).

There are two basic categories of military intelligence, ____________ and ____________.
The journal is a record of items of intelligence interest in order as they occur. If you wished to prepare a report on a particular subject, say minefields, you would need records organized by subject. The worksheet is the record information by subject.

Information is recorded by ________________________________ on the _____________________________ .

The final step of processing, _______________________ of information, involves _____________________ , _____________________ , and _____________________ .
Strategic intelligence is oriented on national objectives. Combat intelligence is more concerned with tactical operations.

The orientation of strategic intelligence is ______________________________ ; that of combat intelligence is ______________________ .

The commander designates the items to be included as essential elements of information in the collection plan prepared by the staff engineer. He is assisted by his intelligence officer and his staff engineer.

The designation of EEI for any particular collection plan is the responsibility of the __________________ .
Refer to Panel 1-4. This is the way worksheets are generally organized. The index tabs are usually labeled to correspond with the headings of the engineer periodic reports. Obsolete items are deleted.

After an item has been recorded in the journal, it is posted on the ______________________________ by ______________________________.

Analysis is the sifting and sorting of evaluated information to isolate significant elements with respect to the mission and operations of the command.

Isolating significant elements of evaluated information is the purpose of ______________________________.
Strategic intelligence helps to determine realistic national objectives and how to accomplish them. Factors which influence the military strengths, weaknesses, and probable courses of action of nations are considered components of strategic intelligence.

Strategic intelligence is oriented toward _________________________________ objectives.

The list of EEI and other requirements for engineer intelligence and information form the basis for the collection plan drawn up by the engineer.

The collection ________________________________ is based on the list of ________________________________. 
Notice that each entry is cross-referenced to the journal on which it was originally recorded, together with the date of source. To prepare your report on minefields, you would look up "minefields" in the __________________________, where information is recorded by __________________________.

In integration, facts are put together logically, rather than separated, as is analysis. Integration is the combination of those elements isolated by analysis with other known information to form a logical hypothesis concerning either the enemy or the area.

Putting together various elements of analyzed and known information to form a hypothesis is __________________________.
Combat intelligence is evaluated information about the enemy, weather, and terrain required by a commander in the planning and conduct of tactical operations.

Combat intelligence is oriented towards _______________________________________________ operations.

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Set 1-5. PLANNING THE COLLECTION EFFORT

Refer to Panel 1-2. This is a typical collection plan, intended, in this case, to provide for the gathering of necessary data for a river crossing operation. How many essential elements of information are listed in the plan? ____________________.
In the situation map, information is pictured, or **graphically recorded**. It may be a sketch, an overlay to an existing map, or a combination of sketches and overlays. Its function is to present a picture or _______________ _______________ of the situation.

The hypothesis developed by analysis and integration of evaluated information forms the basis for **deduction** of meaning. **Deduction** of the meaning of the information with relation to the situation is the object of processing information into intelligence.

The last step in the interpretation of information is the _______________ of meaning from the analyzed and integrated data.
The differences between strategic and combat intelligence are essentially in scope and point of view. They are concerned with the same subject matter, and are collected and processed by the same methods. They overlap in many ways.

Strategic and combat intelligence differ primarily in ___________________________ .

There is no rigidly prescribed form for the collection plan, but it normally includes the following:

a. requesting unit
b. time and date due
c. where to submit reports
d. a list of EEI
e. agencies which are to collect each EEI

According to the collection plan in Panel 1-2, where and when were the reports to be submitted?
FRAME 1-64. INFORMATION FRAME.

Panel 1-5 is a sample of a situation map, in this case, a sketch of friendly and enemy positions. Standard military symbols are used, in accordance with FM 21-30. Significant topographic symbols, such as hills, rivers, roads, and bridges, are shown when they influence the military situation. At least two grid intersections are plotted, to aid in relating the sketch or overlay to existing topographic maps. The types, sizes, numbers, and positions of enemy and friendly units are indicated, along with front line boundaries, and the type, numbers, and positions of enemy weapons.

(deduction) (1-89)

FRAME 1-90.

The interpretation of information involves ________________________ , _________________________ , and ________________________ to establish the relation of the information to the intelligence picture already established.
Strategic intelligence is ____________________________ in scope; ________________________ intelligence is aimed at tactical operations.

Again referring to Panel 1-2, notice that at least two agencies have been directed to collect each element of information. On this particular plan, the preparing engineer has noted with an "X" those agencies capable of obtaining each EEI. A circled X indicates those actually directed to take the action.

Of the agencies listed in the plan, how many were capable of locating suitable sites for minefields and road blocks after the crossing? ____________________________________
Set 1-11. REVIEW OF PROCESSING

(analysis; integration; deduction) (1-90)

FRAME 1-91.

Let us briefly review the steps which make up the processing portion of the intelligence cycle. Processing consists of three basic operations, __________________________, __________________________, and __________________________.
Set 1-2. INTELLIGENCE CYCLE

(national; combat) (1-11)

FRAME 1-12. INFORMATION FRAME.

Regardless of the scope and orientation of intelligence operations, they follow a four-step procedure known as the intelligence cycle. The four steps are:

a. Planning the collection effort and preparing orders.

b. Collecting the information.

c. Processing the collected information.

d. Disseminating and using the resulting intelligence.

The intelligence cycle is continuous. New information is constantly fed into the system as other information is being processed and used.

(six) (1-38)

FRAME 1-39.

Of the agencies capable of siting minefields and road blocks, how many were directed to report this information? _______________________________
(four) (1-65)

FRAME 1-66.

Information is shown in graphic form on the ____________________________.

(frame; recording; evaluating; interpreting) (1-91)

FRAME 1-92.

In evaluating information, you must determine its ____________________________ , ____________________________ , and ____________________________ .
The four steps of the intelligence cycle are:
a. planning the collection effort
b. collecting the information
c. processing the information
d. disseminating the intelligence

The four steps of planning, collecting, processing, and dissemination make up the ___________________ ________________________ .

Which agencies were directed to report on the identification of enemy minefields? _______________________

1-27
Intelligence **files** are necessary to permit ready access to available information.

Information is made accessible to users by well-arranged ____________________ .

After the information is evaluated, it must be ________________________________ by
____________________________, ________________________, and______________________.
The intelligence cycle consists of:

a. __________________ the collection effort

b. __________________ the information

c. __________________ the information

d. __________________ the intelligence

How many elements of information was Co. C directed to report? ________________________________
Some of the files of engineer interest are the journal file, which holds a record copy of each message or document noted in the journal; files on friendly and enemy minefields, photographic negative files, and records of target locations. Files organize information and make it accessible to the unit personnel who need it.

Files make information __________________________ to users.

So far we have discussed three of the four steps in the intelligence cycle. They are ____________________ , ____________________ , and ____________________ .
Panel 1-1 at the back of this lesson is an outline of the four steps of the intelligence cycle and their component elements. Refer to this panel from time to time as you study the rest of this lesson to help you in your responses.

How many of the steps of the intelligence cycle deal with actual intelligence?

_________________________

(three) (1-41)

FRAME 1-42. SUMMARY FRAME.

The collection plan usually includes a list of the EEI, the requesting unit, and purpose of the request. To implement the plan, the engineer then designates the agencies responsible for obtaining each EEI, and specifies the time and place for submission of reports. Organizing the collection effort in this way insures that all of the needed information is obtained in time to be of value and is delivered to the element which will process it, usually the S2 or G2.
Let us summarize the methods of recording information in the processing step of the intelligence cycle:

a. ______________________: a 24-hour log of items or events of intelligence interest listed in order of occurrence.

b. ______________________: a record of items arranged by subject.

c. ______________________: a graphic portrayal of the situation.

d. ______________________: orderly arrangements of information intended to make it readily accessible to users.

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Set 1-12. DISSEMINATION

(planning; collecting; processing) (1-94)

FRAME 1-95.

The last step in the intelligence cycle is the dissemination of intelligence to users.

After information is planned for, collected, and processed into intelligence, it must be____________________ to users.
Only one step of the intelligence cycle, the last one (dissemination) deals with intelligence. Remember that information does not become intelligence until it has been ________________________________.

The collection plan is drawn up by the __________________________ of the command, based on the list of ______________________. He designates the collecting __________________ and the __________________ and __________________ to submit reports.
FRAME 1-70.

After the collected information has been recorded, it is ready to be evaluated. Evaluation is the second step in processing information into intelligence.

In processing information, it is first __________________________ , then ____________________________ .

(disseminated) (1-95)

FRAME 1-96.

One of the more important aspects of dissemination is timeliness. Intelligence is useless if it is not gotten to the user in time to be of value.

Intelligence must be received __________________________ to serve its intended purpose.
In which step of the intelligence cycle does information become intelligence? ____________________________

As we have seen, the first step in the intelligence cycle is planning the collection effort. The next step in the cycle is the **collection** of information. This is the step in which engineer EEI are systematically obtained and readied for further processing.

Information is obtained during the ____________________________ phase of the intelligence cycle.
Evaluation includes determining the pertinence of the information, the reliability of the source and the collecting agency, and the accuracy of the information.

The determination of ________________________, __________________________, and ___________________________ of information is known as ___________________________.

When the need for certain information is urgent, it is better to forward unprocessed or partially processed information in time, than to provide completely processed intelligence too late to be of value to a commander.

Intelligence must be disseminated ___________________________ to be useful.
In the third step, the information, the collected information is converted into intelligence, ready to be and used.

Generally, engineer information is obtained in three ways:

a. reconnaissance

b. study of documents

c. interrogation of individuals

Engineer information is collected through , , and .
Information is evaluated with respect to its __________________________, ________________________, and ________________________.

The form and detail in which intelligence is disseminated is another important consideration. Generally, the lower the echelon, the greater the detail needed.

In addition to timeliness, it is important to disseminate intelligence in __________________________ and __________________________ appropriate to the needs of the user.
The procedure for obtaining intelligence is known as the _____________________ _________________. It consists of the following four steps:

a. ______________________

b. ______________________

c. ______________________

d. ______________________

(processing, disseminated) (1-18)

FRAME 1-19.

Reconnaissance can be conducted directly by ground or aerial observation, or indirectly by the study of maps and aerial photographs.

Reconnaissance can be conducted by ______________________ and ______________________ observation, or by studying ______________________ and ______________________ ______________________.
To establish the pertinence of information, you must determine whether or not the information

a. concerns the enemy, or area characteristics.

b. is needed immediately, and by whom.

c. is of possible present or future value, and to whom.

In determining the need for information on a particular subject, you establish its ________________________ .

For example, the existence, type, and general locations of enemy weapons are of interest to an army commander and would be reported in standard intelligence documents. A lower echelon commander, however, needs to know the exact location of each weapon, preferably plotted on a situation map.

Intelligence must be disseminated in such ________________________ and ________________________ as to be of maximum use to each echelon.
Set 1-3. ENGINEER INTELLIGENCE

(intelligence cycle; planning; collecting; processing; disseminating) (1-19)

FRAME 1-20. INFORMATION FRAME.

Within the broad categories of strategic and combat intelligence, there are many specialized types which pertain primarily to the missions of various arms of the service. Engineer intelligence is processed information needed in the conduct of engineer operation in a theater. It is required at all echelons for tactical, technical, and strategic purposes. Although it is gathered by and for engineers, it also provides an important contribution to the overall intelligence effort.

FRAME 1-47. INFORMATION FRAME.

Regardless of the method used, reconnaissance has as its main purpose the examination of a specific geographic area or feature, such as a road or bridge, to provide detailed engineering information about the feature or area.

The reconnaissance methods commonly used by engineer personnel are discussed in more detail in lessons 2 and 3 of this subcourse.
Information is considered pertinent if it concerns a particular __________________________ and is __________________________, either immediately or for future use.

The dissemination means to be used is based on the timeliness and importance of each item of intelligence. These factors include the amount of detail, the pertinence, and the urgency of the information, the user's resources for further evaluation and interpretation, his needs for planning and initiating action, and the capabilities of available communication.

The timeliness and importance of the intelligence determine the __________________________ of dissemination.
Engineer intelligence is broad and comprehensive, and includes data on almost all natural and man-made terrain features of military significance. Its products include:

- maps
- map products, such as photomosaics
- ground control
- area studies
- terrain studies
- reconnaissance reports

Engineer intelligence is concerned with __________________________ and __________________________ features of the terrain.

Documents and many forms of published material provide information which can contribute to the total intelligence picture. The acquisition and study of documents is a continuous part of the collection effort.

Another way to collect information is to study __________________________.
An important part of evaluating information is to determine the reliability of both the sources and the collector.

The sources of information and the collection agency are evaluated for _____________________________.

Priority communications should be used with restraint, and only when the need for information is urgent. Habitual and unnecessary use of such communications for routine dissemination can interfere with the mission itself.

The means of dissemination depends upon the ____________________________ and ____________________________ of the intelligence.
Some of the subjects included in engineer intelligence are:

**Natural:**
- Geology, soils, surface, configuration, vegetation, ground conditions
- Hydrology, water supply, hydrography
- Weather and climate
- Natural resources that can be developed
- Sources of construction materials
- Suitability for airfield, highway, and underground construction

**Man-Made:**
- Routes of communication, including roads, railroads, inland waterways, ports, beaches, and airfields
- Rural and agricultural development
- Urban areas, industrial works, hydraulic structures, excavations, electric power, pipelines, defenses, and other works of man

As you can see, engineer intelligence is broad and comprehensive, and covers most ___________________ and ___________________ terrain features.

Captured enemy documents contain much information of value to intelligence specialists. Published intelligence and terrain studies are also useful. Even public material such as texts, periodicals, and technical papers, contribute important information.

An important source of information is the study of ________________________________ .
Reliability is usually evaluated on the basis of previous experience. If a source has proved to be reliable in the past, it can generally be accepted as still reliable. The headquarters closest to the collecting agency is usually the best judge of its reliability.

The most common basis for evaluating reliability is past ______________________________ .

Set 1-13. REVIEW OF INTELLIGENCE CYCLE

Dissemination is the final step in the intelligence cycle. The others are ______________________________ , ______________________________ , and ______________________________ .
The intelligence cycle applies to the production of engineer intelligence. The four steps which produce engineer intelligence are as follows:

- **a. Collection plan**, prepared by the engineer of the command
- **b. Collection effort**, including map, aerial, and ground reconnaissance
- **c. Processing** engineer information
- **d. Disseminating** engineer intelligence to requesting element and other users as needed

The engineer intelligence cycle consists of __________________________, __________________________, __________________________, and __________________________.

The study of documents is continuous, and contributes most significantly to the **strategic** intelligence effort. However, if documentary information is processed quickly enough, it can also be important to the conduct of **tactical** operations.

Information derived from the study of documents is important to both __________________________ and __________________________ intelligence.
Once the pertinence of the information and the reliability of its sources have been established, there remains the need to determine its **accuracy**.

In processing information into intelligence, there is a need to determine not only its pertinence and reliability, but also its __________________________ .

The collection plan for engineer intelligence is based on ____________________ of ___________________.

(planning; collecting; processing)
Because of the broad and varied nature of engineer intelligence, the collection of pertinent information is a continuous operation.

The collection effort, as it pertains to engineer information, is ________________________________ .

The interrogation of individuals is the third source of information utilized during the collection phase. These individuals may be prisoners of war, deserters, local civilians, refugees, military returnees, and others.

Information is also obtained by ________________________________ of individuals.
FRAME 1-78. INFORMATION FRAME.

Judgment of the accuracy of information is based on the answers to the following questions:

a. Is the reported fact or event **possible**?

b. Is the report **consistent** within itself?

c. Is the report **confirmed** or corroborated by information from other sources or agencies?

d. Does the report **agree** with other information known to be true?

e. If the report conflicts with other information, which is more likely to be true?

FRAME 1-104.

Information becomes intelligence in the _______________________________ step of the intelligence cycle. This step consists of ____________________, ____________________, and ____________________ information.
A collection plan is drawn up when a specific need or request for specialized engineer information arises.

The collection of engineer information is continuous, but when the need arises, it can also be a carefully directed effort, made according to ______________________.

To summarize, information is collected by three methods, ____________________________, ____________________________, and _____________________________.

______________________________

(frame 1-52)
Many factors affect the accuracy rating of information. It is judged as to possibility, consistency, ____________________ by others, and most importantly, by its agreement with known facts. All of these factors are considered in order to determine its ____________________ .

To evaluate information, you must determine its ____________________ , the ____________________ of the ____________________ , and its ____________________ .
Planning the collection of engineer information at any level of command is the responsibility of the engineer of the command.

When any directed effort for obtaining engineer information is made, the planning is the responsibility of the __________________________ of the command.

Set 1-7. PROCESSING INFORMATION

(reconnaissance; study document; interrogation of individuals) (1-52)

After engineer information has been collected, it must be processed before it can be disseminated to users. Processing is the step in the intelligence cycle in which information becomes intelligence.

Information must be __________________________ before it becomes ______________________________.
The evaluation of each item of information follows a standard system. **Reliability** is shown by a **letter**; **accuracy**, by a **number**.

The notation used by intelligence specialists to evaluate information indicates reliability by a __________________________ ; a number is used to indicate ________________________________ .

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The final step in processing is to determine the significance of the information with regard to present and future missions. This step is called __________________________ , and consists of ____________________________ , ____________________________ , and ____________________________ .
Engineer intelligence is produced by using the four steps of the _____________________________ . The collection effort is planned by the _____________________________ of the command.

Processing is the step in the intelligence cycle in which _____________________________ becomes _____________________________ .
Panel 1-7 describes three examples of the items that an engineer intelligence officer may be called on to produce in connection with the planning and execution of military operations. Certain of these would enter into the planning of the commander and his staff, while others would be of interest primarily to the engineers themselves.

The three hypothetical military operations are a river crossing, seizure of an airhead, and establishment of a defensive position. Notice that many of the items are identical for the three operations, some are similar, and a few are needed only for the specialized operation. The collection effort is planned and conducted to meet the needs of the particular situation.
OUTLINE OF INTELLIGENCE CYCLE

1. Planning the Collection Effort
   a. Essential elements of information
   b. Collecting plan

2. Collecting the Information
   a. Reconnaissance
      (1) Maps and photos
      (2) Aerial
      (3) Ground
   b. Study of documents
   c. Interrogation of individual

3. Processing Information
   a. Recording
      (1) Journal
      (2) Work sheet
      (3) Situation map
      (4) Files
   b. Evaluation
      (1) Pertinence
      (2) Reliability
      (3) Accuracy
   c. Interpretation
      (1) Analysis
      (2) Integration
      (3) Deduction

4. Dissemination of Intelligence

PANEL 1-1. Outline of the Intelligence Cycle.

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<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Essential elements of information</th>
<th>Agencies (Check agencies to be employed)</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. What are the sites on PEMBERTON RIVER between WAVERLY and NORTH SHARON suitable for: (1) assault boat crossings, (2) footbridges, (3) ferries, and (4) ponton bridges (three alternative sites for each)?</td>
<td>S2 X S3 X X X X X</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. What in detail is the condition of: (1) the SHARON-WAVERLY road (State 106), (2) the SHARON-NORTH SHARON road (State 107), and (3) all roads between them?</td>
<td>S4 X S5 X S6 X S7 X S8 X</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. What information is obtainable on (1) the WAVERLY-ALLIANCE road (State 106), (2) the NORTH SHARON-PETERSVILLE road (State 107), and any roads that the enemy may have built in the area between State road 88 and the PEMBERTON RIVER; including information on the partially destroyed bridges over the river at WAVERLY and NORTH SHARON?</td>
<td>S9 X X X X X X</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. What natural cover, and what natural concealment, are available along both sides of the PEMBERTON RIVER between WAVERLY and NORTH SHARON?</td>
<td>S10 X S11 X X X X X X</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. What are suitable location for supply points, between State road 88 and the PEMBERTON RIVER; for dumping fortification materials to be used in organizing our position after the crossing?</td>
<td>S12 X X X X</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. What enemy minefields can be identified?</td>
<td>S13 X</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. What are suitable sites for minefields and roadblocks to be placed by our troops, while organizing the position after the crossing?</td>
<td>S14 X X X X</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. What are the locations and amounts of any engineer construction materials, especially sand, gravel, crushed stone, and milled lumber, suitable for use in the repair and construction of roads and bridges?</td>
<td>S15 X X X X X</td>
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<th>ITEM NO</th>
<th>TIME</th>
<th>INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC</th>
<th>ACTION TAKEN</th>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>0730</td>
<td>Issued recon orders to recon teams</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>0910</td>
<td>1st bde found enemy Apera minefield at CS 121651</td>
<td>M - S - F</td>
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<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>0918</td>
<td>Requested B Co investigate minefield CS 121651</td>
<td>T</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>0943</td>
<td>2d bde reports enemy minefield at CS 119321</td>
<td>M - S - F</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>0950</td>
<td>Requested A Co investigate minefield at CS 119321</td>
<td>T</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>1335</td>
<td>A Co brought in new type nonmetallic mine discovered at CS 121651, Transmitted to Lt Jones, 533d ETD, by courier</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>1600</td>
<td>S2 took recon flight in helicopter, returned 1645</td>
<td>M - S</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>1630</td>
<td>Recon teams returned, submitted recon report</td>
<td>M - S - F</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Legend: M - maps; S - staff; T - troops; F - file
PANEL 1-4. Worksheet

(CLASSIFICATION)

INTELLIGENCE WORK SHEET

FROM: [Redacted]
TO: [Redacted]
HQ: [Redacted]
PLACE: [Redacted]

NOTE: Use any headings appropriate to your needs. Obsolete pages may be discarded.

(CLASSIFICATION)

<table>
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<tr>
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<th>Date</th>
<th>Source</th>
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<td>12/28/41</td>
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<td>12/28/41</td>
<td>2nd bg</td>
<td>Minefield at CS119321</td>
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<td>J-7</td>
<td>12/355</td>
<td>A CO</td>
<td>New type nonmetallic mine discovered at CS121654 - Sent to 533rd ETD</td>
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</table>

MINEFIELDS
PANEL 1-5. Situation Map.
EVALUATION RATINGS

The evaluation of reliability is shown by a letter and the evaluation of accuracy by a numeral as depicted in the paragraphs to follow. Evaluation ratings are made at the lowest headquarters possible.

a. Reliability of source and agency is shown as follows:

A - Completely reliable
B - Usually reliable
C - Fairly reliable
D - Not usually reliable
E - Unreliable
F - Reliability cannot be judged

(1) An "A" evaluation of source is assigned under only the most unusual circumstances. For example, this evaluation may be given when it is known that the source has long experience and extensive background with the type of information reported. A rating of "B" indicates a source of known integrity. An "F" rating is assigned when there is no adequate basis for estimating the reliability of the source.

(2) Agencies are ordinarily rated A, B, or C. However, when the source of an item and the collecting-reporting agency are evaluated differently only the lower degree of reliability is indicated.

b. Accuracy of an item of information is indicated as follows:

1 - Confirmed by other sources
2 - Probably true
3 - Possibly true
4 - Doubtfully true
5 - Improbable
6 - Truth cannot be judged

(1) The statement that a report cannot be judged as to accuracy must always be preferred to an inaccurate use of the rating "1" to "5". If there is no sound basis for a rating of "1" to "5", because of the complete absence of other information on the same target, the rating "6" has to be given.

(2) It must be recognized that the scale "1" to "6" does not represent progressive degrees of accuracy. The stress must be given to the literal rating represented by the numeric symbol.

c. Although both letters and numerals are used to indicate the evaluation of an item of information, they are independent of each other. A completely reliable agency may report information obtained from a completely reliable source which, on the basis of other information, is judged to be improbable. In such a case, the evaluation of the information is A - 5. A source known to be unreliable may provide information that is confirmed by other sources and is undoubted accuracy. In such a case, a report is evaluated E - 1. A report evaluated F - 6 may be accurate and should not be arbitrarily discarded.
APPLICATIONS OF ENGINEER INTELLIGENCE

a. RIVER CROSSING. For a deliberate river crossing, the engineers would furnish data on the following:

(1) Weather to be expected during the operation, with special reference to possible flooding or the movement of ice or debris that could jeopardize the crossing.

(2) Topography and landforms on both sides of the river, including any natural barriers or obstructions to the advance of our troops other than the river itself.

(3) Location and trafficability of roads on both sides of the river; including bridges or large culverts that might be destroyed by the enemy.

(4) Trafficability of the soil under weather conditions that may be expected during the operation, with special attention to areas adjacent to the proposed crossing sites and along the approach routes.

(5) Concealment and cover, especially on the friendly side of the river.

(6) Data on enemy defenses on both sides or in the river, including minefields and roadblocks. Whether or not the enemy can produce artificial flooding of the river.

(7) Possible sites for storm boat or assault boat crossing, footbridges, ferries, vehicular bridges (floating and/or fixed), and dummy bridges if contemplated. (It is often desirable to have alternate sites for each installation, with the advantages and disadvantages of each, and a recommendation as to which should be selected.)

(8) Avenues of approach to the assembly and parking areas, the crossing sites, and the successive objectives of the attacking force.

(9) Sites for engineer dumps, parks, and regulating points.

(10) Location, nature, and amounts of engineer construction and other materials located within the area of the operation.

(11) Water points for use during the operation.

(12) Data on enemy engineer troops within the area and their capabilities.

(13) Any special data needed in connection with the possible employment of nuclear weapons.

b. AIRHEAD. In connection with the seizure of an airhead, the engineers would furnish data on the following:

(1) Weather to be expected during the operation, with special reference to high winds, heavy rain or fog, or other conditions that might affect airdroppings and airdrops. (Weather information supplied by engineer intelligence is based upon data from historic compilations; short-range meteorological forecast data is not an engineer responsibility.)

(2) Topography and landforms within the proposed airhead and along its perimeter, including also any prominent landmarks, visible from the air, that might guide the attacking force. If time permits, a terrain model of the airhead may be called for.

(3) Natural barriers and obstructions, especially any located along the perimeter of the airhead that may be adapted to defensive purposes.

(4) Location and trafficability of roads within the airhead and in the surrounding area; location of defiles and bridges or large culverts that might be destroyed by the enemy.
(5) Trafficability of the soil, under any weather conditions that may be expected during the capture and occupation of the airhead.

(6) Nature of the soil as affecting the installation of perimeter defenses and the construction of airstrips.

(7) Cover and concealment, both within the airhead and along its perimeter.

(8) Enemy defenses, including minefields and roadblocks, and other enemy military installations within the area.

(9) Enemy civilian installations within the area, such as towns, isolated buildings, public utilities, and the like, which might be of military significance.

(10) Existing landing fields and landing strips and proposed sites for drop zones and for additional airstrips needed, with estimates of their maximum absorption capacity in terms of aircraft and parachutists.

(11) Sites for engineer dumps and parks.

(12) Location and amounts of engineer construction materials located within the airhead, including any enemy stocks which may be expected to fall into our hands, with special reference to items useful for the construction and repair of airstrips and for hasty fortifications.

(13) Water points for use during the capture and occupation of the airhead.

(14) Conditions as to observation and fields of fire, and covered approaches, along the perimeter of the airhead.

(15) Enemy engineer troops within or adjacent to the airhead, and their capabilities.

(16) Special data needed in connection with the possible employment of nuclear weapons.

c. DEFENSIVE POSITION. If the commander plans an advance into enemy-held territory, followed by the organization of a defensive position therein, the following data will be expected from the engineers in connection with organizing the position:

(1) Weather to be expected over the period of the organization and occupation of the position, with special attention to extremes of heat, cold, drought and precipitation. (Weather information supplied by engineers is based upon historic compilations; short-range meteorological data is not the responsibility of the engineers.)

(2) Topography and landforms, and any bodies of water both within and on the enemy side of the proposed position. Data on observation and fields of fire, covered approaches, and natural barriers and obstructions that may be adapted to defensive purposes. If time permits, a terrain model may be called for.

(3) Location and trafficability of roads within and on the enemy side of the position; extent to which roads within the position are or could be shielded from enemy ground observation.

(4) Roads, railroads, and other forms of communication leading to the position from the friendly side.

(5) Trafficability of soil within and on the enemy side of the position under the weather conditions that may be expected.

(6) Nature of soil from the viewpoint of installing both hasty and deliberate field fortifications.

(7) Natural cover and concealment within and on the enemy side of the position; variations of natural concealment that may be expected with the seasons.

PANEL 1-7. Applications of Engineer Intelligence - (Cont.)

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(8) Enemy military or civilian installations within the area that may have a bearing in the establishment and occupation of the position.

(9) Sites for the various defensive elements of the position.

(10) Sites for engineer dumps, parks, and other facilities, both during and after the construction of the defensive works.

(11) Location, nature, and amounts of engineer construction materials within the area.

(12) Water point for use during the establishment and occupation of the position.

(13) Any special data needed in connection with the possible employment of nuclear weapons.
SELF-TEST
LESSON 1

Exercise:

1. The difference between information and intelligence is
   a. accuracy    b. processing    c. scope

2. What are the two basic categories into which intelligence is generally divided?
   a. confirmed or unconfirmed
   b. military and civilian
   c. strategic and combat

3. What is the procedure called for obtaining intelligence?

4. List the four steps of the intelligence cycle.

5. Which of the following would not be included as engineer intelligence?
   a. bridge reconnaissance report
   b. terrain study of an area
   c. political climate in a specified country
   d. soil composition

6. Who is responsible for planning the collection effort for engineer intelligence?
7. What are essential elements of information? 

_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________

8. The first step of the intelligence cycle, the collection plan, is based on___________________.

9. Name the three ways in which engineer information is collected.

_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________

10. What three procedures comprise the processing step of the intelligence cycle?_______________________________________________________

_________________________________________________________________

11. As information is collected, it is recorded in various ways. On what record are items of possible intelligence interest listed in order of their occurrence?

___________________________________________________

12. How are items recorded on the worksheet?

_________________________________________________________________

13. Information is graphically recorded on ______________________

_________________________________________________________________

14. Information must be evaluated as to its pertinence and its accuracy. What other factor must be evaluated?_____________________________

_________________________________________________________________

15. The evaluation of information is indicated by a letter-number combination. The letter represents reliability of source. What does the number indicate?___________________________________________________

_________________________________________________________________

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16. The final step in processing is the ________________ of the recorded and evaluated information.

17. What are the three procedures usually employed to form a critical judgment or an interpretation of evaluated material? ________________

_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________

18. Isolating significant elements of evaluated information is the purpose of ________________

19. A hypothesis is formed when the elements of information and other known facts are combined or ________________

20. The final step in the interpretation process is the ________________ of meaning from the processed data.

21. Which of the following is most important in the dissemination of intelligence?
   a. completeness
   b. timeliness
LESSON 2

ENGINEER RECONNAISSANCE

CREDIT HOURS.........................................................2

TEXT ASSIGNMENT .................................................. Attached programmed text.

LESSON OBJECTIVES ........................................... Upon completion of this lesson, you will be able to:

1. Define engineer reconnaissance, and explain the scope of general and special engineer reconnaissance.

2. Describe the three methods of conducting an engineer reconnaissance, and the advantages and disadvantages of each.

3. Describe the procedures followed in conducting an engineer reconnaissance.

4. Record the observations made during a general engineer reconnaissance on DA Form 1711-R.

5. Perform computations necessary for water reconnaissance.
Under ideal conditions, ground reconnaissance is preceded by ____________________________ and ____________________________ reconnaissance. It is used to ____________________________ the preliminary data obtained from map study and aerial observers.

The **body** of the form contains the specific details about the observed data: where it is (grid coordinates); what it is (complete description, including sketch when necessary); and when observed.

Details about reported information are included in the ____________________________ of DA Form 1711-R.
FRAME 2-1.

Engineer reconnaissance is the directed effort to observe and report information on anything that will affect an engineer operation.

Observation and reporting of engineer information is called ___________________ ___________________.

FRAME 2-25.

For preliminary study of an area, photos have many of the same uses as maps. For example, they provide a means of studying inaccessible terrain. But the most important advantage of photos over maps is currency.

Photos are often used for preliminary study of an area, because of their great advantage of ___________________.

(go on to next frame) (2-24)
Areas hidden from aerial observers by heavy foliage, camouflage, or defilade can be inspected by ground parties.

Ground parties can make detailed observations of areas _______________________________ from aerial view.

________________________________________________________________________________

FRAME 2-74. INFORMATION FRAME.

Reportable information includes the following:

a. Obstacles to movement. Includes demolitions, mines, boobytraps.

b. Engineer materials. Includes road material, bridge timber, lumber, steel, fill, gravel, explosives.

c. Engineer equipment. Rock crushers, saw mills, garages, machine shops, abandoned enemy equipment, etc.

d. Bivouac areas. Access roads, soil, drainage, size, cover, concealment, fields of fire.

e. Utilities. Water, sewage, electricity, natural gas, pipelines.

f. Water points. Recommended locations.

g. Map errors.

h. Work estimates for construction, repair or removal of any reported item (shown on reverse side of DA Form 1711-R).
Engineer reconnaissance is part of the collection effort of the intelligence cycle. It is the directed effort to _________________ and _________________ information of engineer interest.

Photos can be used to **update** obsolete maps because they can be flown, processed, and distributed in a few days, compared to the many months required for new mapping.

Photos are a valuable supplement to older maps because they can be used to _________________ map information.
Some characteristics of an area of interest to engineers, such as the composition of the soil, must be determined by on-site inspection. Ground reconnaissance is the only one of the three methods that can provide this information.

Ground reconnaissance is necessary to obtain information that an only be determined by ____________________________ ____________________________.

Refer again to Panel 2-2. Notice that the first column labeled "Key," contains numbers. These Key numbers are plotted on the situation map, sketch, or overlay which accompanies the report in their proper locations.

The identification of each observed item is shown by a ________________________________ number, listed on the form and plotted in its correct position on a ________________________________, ________________________________ or ________________________________.
Engineer reconnaissance missions are of two types, **general** and **special**, with objectives as follows:

**a. General:** Local availability of engineer materials, equipment and water, climate conditions; terrain data; enemy engineer resources; any other environmental characteristics within a particular area.

**b. Special:** Detailed to support a specific task or task.

The two types of engineer reconnaissance are _______________________ and _______________________.

In a rapidly fluctuating combat situation, or during floods or other natural disaster, photos of the same area can be flown on successive days or weeks for purposes of **comparison**. Changes can thus be quickly detected.

A series of photos the same area taken on succeeding days my be used for purposes of _______________________.

(update) (2-26)

FRAME 2-27

A series of photos the same area taken on succeeding days my be used for purposes of **comparison**. Changes can thus be quickly detected.
The exact dimensions of features can be measured and reported by ground parties. These include such items as stream widths, tunnel clearances, etc.

Ground parties can __________________________ the exact dimensions of feats.

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FRAME 2-76. INFORMATION FRAME.

The object, shown in the next column, is either symbolized or briefly described. The symbols used are standard and are taken from FM 5-34, Engineer Field Data. Refer to Appendix 1 at the end of this booklet. This is an enlarged reproduction of the Engineer Reconnaissance Card. On pages 5 and 7 of this Appendix, you will find the symbols used in the sample report in Panel 2-2.
FRAME 2-4.

General reconnaissance is a **broad, continuous**, operation, initiated as soon as the organization enters the area in which it is to conduct operations. Special reconnaissance seeks **specific information** for a specific purpose. However, the same reconnaissance party may perform both kinds of reconnaissance.

General reconnaissance is a _____________________________, ________________________ operation. Special reconnaissance seeks ___________________________ _________________________.

(frame comparison) (2-27)

FRAME 2-28.

Photos are most useful for reconnaissance when they are used to **supplement** maps, unless they are specially-printed "orthophotos," which are the only aerial photos which are as accurate as maps in scale and positions.

Photos should be used to _____________________________ maps in preliminary reconnaissance studies.
Because they perform onsite inspection and make actual measurements, ground parties can **estimate** very closely the time, equipment, men and materials needed for any necessary engineer operations in the area.

Ground parties are a reliable source of work _________________________________ for engineer operations in the area.

Is the obstacle shown as Key No. 1 in Panel 2-2 proposed, prepared but passable, or completed?
The directed effort to observe and report engineer information is called __________________________. There are two types, _____________________ and _____________________.

Another advantage of aerial photos is comprehensive detail. Photos provide a wealth of information because the camera is unselective.

The detail shown on aerial photographs is ______________________________.
Ground parties can obtain data from aerial view, or that can only be obtained by _____________________________. This includes measured ____________________________ of features, and reliable work ____________________________ for future engineer operations.

The next two columns note the time of each observation and whether or not a work estimate related to the observed object has been prepared. How many of the observed objects required an estimate of work required?
Three methods of reconnaissance are available to engineers: map, aerial, and ground. Studies can be performed indirectly, without physically entering or observing the area, on maps, aerial photographs, photomosaics, and similar material. The other two methods involve direct observation: from the air, by aerial observers, and on the ground, by reconnaissance parties.

The methods engineers employ for reconnaissance are _______________________, ____________________ and ____________________.

In preliminary reconnaissance, aerial photos are used to _________________________ maps because they are more ____________________ and contain ____________________ detail.
Although ground reconnaissance is the most thorough and accurate means of obtaining engineer information, it is very **time-consuming**. When time is a critical factor, the party leader must adjust the schedule to obtain only the most-needed items. Incomplete, but timely, information is **useful**, whereas a complete report received too late to be acted upon is **worthless**.

Ground reconnaissance is _________________________ - __________________________ and may have to be adjusted to a limited schedule. An incomplete but timely report is __________________________ but a report too late to be acted upon is __________________________.

In the "additional remarks and sketch" column, the object is **identified** and the **map location** is reported by grid coordinates, followed by explanatory remarks, calculations, and a sketch if appropriate.

In the final column of the body of the report, the details about the object always include its _________________________ and map ________________________.
FRAME 2-7.

Under ideal conditions, all three methods are employed, **supplementing** each other, and rounding out the available information.

The three methods of engineer reconnaissance, __________________________, _______________________, and _______________________, ___________________________ each other in obtaining information about an area.

(1) Aerial photography

(2) Ground reconnaissance

(3) Map reconnaissance

FRAME 2-31.

Aerial photography has certain disadvantages which make it impractical to rely on photos alone for an area study. Although the camera picks up everything within its range, critical detail can be **obscured** by clouds, dense foliage, heavy snow, or deep shadows. Bad weather can ground aircraft, making it sometimes impossible to obtain new photos when they are most needed.

Conditions can cause critical detail to be __________________________ on aerial photos, or aircraft to be _______________________.

(1) Covered

(2) Grounded
Another limitation on the effectiveness of ground reconnaissance parties is possible inaccessibility of the areas of interest. Many factors can operate to limit access, including rugged terrain, impenetrable swamps, etc, or control by hostile forces.

Ground reconnaissance may be limited or prevented by the ________________________________ of the area or control by ________________________________.

(identification; location) (2-79)

FRAME 2-80. INFORMATION FRAME.

The location and identification of the object are always reported in the final column of the body of DA Form 1711-R. When applicable, the following information is also reported.

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(map; aerial; ground; supplement) (2-7)

FRAME 2-8.

Before physically examining the area, a preliminary study is made of the best available maps and aerial photographs, to plan operations and routes of ground parties, to determine areas which need inspection from the air, and to anticipate conditions which may be encountered by personnel operating in the area.

The best available ______________________________ and ______________________________ are used for a preliminary study of the area.

(obscured; grounded) (2-31)

FRAME 2-32.

On single photographs, terrain relief is not discernible. If overlapping stereo pairs have been flown, relief can be perceived and measured, but the stereoplotting equipment and trained personnel needed are generally only available to topo units.

Stereophotography and stereo plotters are needed in order to perceive and measure ____________________________.
FRAME 2-57.

A ground party whose mission is to obtain engineer information must often work in the open, risking exposure to the enemy. Such exposure can seriously curtail the reconnaissance activities of the party.

One of the disadvantages of ground reconnaissance in combat areas is ______________________________.

(goa on to next frame) (2-80)

FRAME 2-81.

The specific details of the observed data are shown in the ______________________________ of the form. As a minimum, the object is ______________________________ both by symbol and description, and is ______________________________ by key number and grid coordinates.
FRAME 2-9.

The tentative findings of the map and aerial photo reconnaissance are verified first by _____________________ observers, then by _____________________ parties who actually enter the area to obtain such data as slope measurements, radii of curves, soil samples, bridge and tunnel data, etc. The three methods thus _____________________ provide maximum information.

(relief) (2-32)

FRAME 2-33.

Ordinary aerial photos contain inherent scale and image **distortions**, making distance and azimuth **measurements** unreliable. Special grids must be constructed for point location.

Aerial photos cannot replace maps for _____________________ purposes, because they have inherent _____________________ in scale and image.
FRAME 2-58.

Ground reconnaissance has certain disadvantages that sometimes make map and ________________________ reconnaissance necessary supplements. Among these are the ________________________ required to complete a ground survey, possible ________________________ of some or all of the area of interest, and the dangers of ________________________ to the enemy.

FRAME 2-82.

The authentication block contains the signature of the of the commander of the unit which performed the mission. His title is also entered in the heading in the block labeled "FROM". The party leader does not sign the form.

The report is authenticated by the signature of the performing unit's ________________________________.
Engineer reconnaissance can be performed by ________________ and ________________, by ________________ observers, or by ________________ parties, either independently, or in planned sequence.

Aerial photography, while a valuable ________________ to map study, should not be relied upon exclusively for reconnaissance because detail may be ________________ or aircraft grounded. Because of scale and image distortions, ________________ may be unreliable.
Set 2-6. PROCEDURES

(aerial; time; inaccessibility; exposure) (2-58)

FRAME 2-59.

Each reconnaissance mission is usually part of a larger collection plan (see panel 1-2 in lesson 1). The reconnaissance plan is therefore closely coordinated with the supported unit which has area responsibility.

The plan for a reconnaissance mission is carefully _______________________ with the overall plan of the supported unit.

FRAME 2-83.

The front of DA Form 1711-R contains three parts: the ______________________________________, which provides information about the mission; the ________________________________________, in which observed data is described and located; and the _____________________________ ______________________, which contains the signature of the commander of the performing unit.

(commander) (2-82)
Circumstances sometimes make one or more of the reconnaissance methods impractical, or even impossible. Large-scale maps may not be available; bad weather may ground aircraft; rugged terrain or enemy control may make large areas inaccessible to ground parties. Whatever the conditions, the best combination of available methods is used to provide maximum usable information in the time available.

Although ideally, the three reconnaissance methods are used to supplement each other, circumstances may make one or two of the methods ________________________________.

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**Set 2-4. AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE**

In aerial reconnaissance, the terrain is viewed directly by an observer from aircraft. Aerial reconnaissance is normally conducted as a follow-up to map reconnaissance, but it may be the only means of obtaining information in a given area.

In aerial reconnaissance, the terrain is viewed ________________________________ from aircraft. Map reconnaissance is normally ________________________________ by aerial reconnaissance.
The officer ordering the reconnaissance prepares orders setting forth the mission of the party. Refer to Panel 2-1. These are typical orders for a reconnaissance party. The items specified will include the location of the area, the desired data, amount of detail, priority of items (if any), and where, when, and to whom to send the report.

The detailed instructions for a reconnaissance party are contained in ______________________ describing the ______________________ of the party.

Refer again to Panel 2-3. This is the reverse side of DA Form 1711-R, containing detailed work estimates for items reported in the body of the form, and noted in the work estimate column on the front of the form. The work estimate indicates the amount and type of engineer effort required for construction, repair, or removal of the reported item.

The reverse side of DA Form 1711-R contains detailed ______________________ ______________________.
FRAME 2-12.

There are many advantages to performing a preliminary reconnaissance on maps. In most parts of the world, standard military topographic maps are easily obtained through regular distribution channels. The same maps are thus available to all the elements interested in an area, permitting simultaneous study and improving the coordination of activities.

Maps are readily available through ________________________________, and can be studied ____________________________ by various elements operating in an area, improving coordination of activities.

FRAME 2-36.

When it follows map reconnaissance, aerial reconnaissance is used to verify the information obtained from the maps and to observe and record items that are new, or not normally shown on maps.

Aerial reconnaissance after map reconnaissance is used to __________________________ map information and __________________________ items that are new or normally __________________________ on maps.
The party leader selects the general route to be followed, prepares a time schedule, and chooses the equipment and personnel necessary to perform the mission.

The actual reconnaissance mission is organized and scheduled by the____________________________.

Each work estimate is keyed by its critical point number to the appropriate item with the same number on the front of the form. Which item was reported on the front of the sample Engineer Reconnaissance Report as needing a work estimate? ________________________________
Military maps are an accurate means of point location, distance and elevation measurements, and direction plotting.

Maps are important tools in reconnaissance because you can accurately locate ________________, measure ________________ and ________________, and plot _________________.

Aerial reconnaissance is especially valuable when speed is essential, because a relatively large area can be observed in a minimum of time.

One of the great advantages of aerial reconnaissance is the ________________ with which a large area can be observed.
Good planning is essential to the success of a reconnaissance mission. It must be carefully 
with the overall plan, described in detail in __________________________, and organized and 
_____________________________ by the party leader.

What was the nature of the work for which the estimate was prepared?
Maps are readily available through regular ____________________________ ______________________ and provide an accurate means of point _____________________, distance and elevation ______________________, and direction _______________________.

As with map and photo reconnaissance, aerial reconnaissance can provide information on areas inaccessible to ground parties. Since the observer views the area directly, the information he obtains is up-to-date.

Aerial reconnaissance provides up-to-date information on ____________________________ areas.
In performing a reconnaissance, certain principles govern procedures regardless of the purpose or scope of the mission. Among these is **attention to detail**. Counting, measuring, and estimating should be done with great care because the accuracy and completeness of such numerical data can seriously affect the success of subsequent engineer operations.

In any observation, the accuracy and completeness of numerical data depend upon _____________ to _____________.

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**Removal of obstacle by demolition** (2-86)

FRAME 2-87.

How much time did the party leader estimate would be needed for one squad to perform the necessary work?
Maps also provide the user with **terrain** and **cultural** (manmade) data necessary for engineer operations. Such data include the steepness of slopes, location of ridges and valleys, etc. (terrain) and existing road network, settlements, etc. (culture).

You may also use your map to determine the ___________ and ___________ data necessary for engineer operations.

Besides the visual observers, aerial reconnaissance missions may also employ **electronic** sensors, such as infrared and radar detectors, to aid in penetrating heavy foliage or camouflage concealment, or for use at night. An aerial camera can be used, with the appropriate kind of **film**, to provide a permanent record of the observations for later study.

Aircraft used for aerial reconnaissance missions may be equipped with ______________________ sensors, to detect objects or activity not visible to the naked eye. All observations, whether visual or electronic, can be recorded on the appropriate kind of ______________________.
FRAME 2-64.

The schedule for any reconnaissance party is based upon the time available to perform the mission and the amount and kind of data desired. **Adherence to the schedule** is essential, to avoid either omitting important information or missing the deadline.

Moving too fast, and missing important data or moving too slowly, and missing the deadline, can be avoided by careful ____________________ _______________________.

FRAME 2-88.

The amount and type of engineer effort, in man-hours, equipment, and materials, required for construction, repair, or removal, as needed, of reported items is indicated in the ______________________________ on the reverse side of DA Form _________________.

FRAME 2-16.

Reliable time and equipment estimates can be based on the **terrain** and **cultural** data obtained from map study.

The ______________________ and ______________________ data on your maps provide a basis for ______________________ time and equipment ______________________.

FRAME 2-40.

Because aerial reconnaissance provides a direct view of relatively large areas, it is valuable when ____________ is essential. It is used to ______________ map or intelligence data, and provides information on areas __________________________ to ground parties. Visual observation can be augmented with ______________ sensors.
FRAME 2-65.

The mission of a reconnaissance party is to obtain needed information. Therefore, the party does not engage in combat unless it must fight to accomplish that mission, or in self-defense. Under most conditions, the party must take special precautions to avoid combat.

To insure that it accomplishes its mission, a reconnaissance party avoids ______________ unless absolutely necessary.

FRAME 2-89. INFORMATION FRAME.

You will recall that in Frame 2-76 we referred to the Engineer Reconnaissance Card, which is enlarged and reproduced as Appendix I in the back of this booklet. The card itself is pocket-sized. The scales shown along the bottom of each page of the Appendix are not accurate because of the enlargement.

Much of the data included in the card is related specifically to route reconnaissance, but on pages 1, 5, and 7, there is information important to a general engineer reconnaissance.

Study the engineer resource symbols shown on page 7 of the Appendix. They provide a quick and uniform method of reporting the existence of any of these resources. The symbol is shown in column 2 of the body of the report.
FRAME 2-17.

Your map is an accurate means of locating points, distances and elevations, and plotting directions. It also provides both and data, on which to base necessary time and equipment .

FRAME 2-41.

Aerial reconnaissance has certain disadvantages which must be considered when the collection plan is drawn up. Severe weather conditions can ground aircraft for extended periods. Unfavorable atmospheric conditions, such as clouds or fog, can obscure the sought-after information.

Aerial reconnaissance an be limited or prevented by unfavorable .
In order to accomplish its mission with maximum effectiveness, a reconnaissance party must observe certain procedures. These include careful attention to __________________________, adherence to the established time __________________________, and avoiding ______________________________ if possible.

If the party leader wants to report the existence of a stockpile of brick, what symbol would be used? Draw the symbol below.
Another advantage of map reconnaissance is that it is possible to obtain data **without physically entering** the area. **Map study** avoids exposure to the enemy, provides information on territory otherwise inaccessible, and is independent of weather conditions.

Information can be obtained despite enemy fire, inaccessible territory, or severe weather conditions through ________, because it can be performed _______________ an area.

The amount of information obtained by aerial reconnaissance is also dependent on the visual **perception** and **skills** of the observer. Even an experienced observer, however, can only **estimate** distances, elevations, and other measurements from the air.

Aerial reconnaissance relies heavily upon the visual _______________ and _______________ of the observer. Measurements can only be roughly ____________________________.
Set 2-7. RECORDING

detail; schedule; combat (2-66)

FRAME 2-67.

All reportable data observed should be recorded at once on prepared DA Forms and, if necessary, accompanying sketch maps or overlays. The form used for recording engineer reconnaissance data other than route classification is DA Form 1711-R, Engineer Reconnaissance Report.

Reportable engineer information is shown on a sketch or overlay, and recorded on DA Form ____________________.

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Set 2-8. WATER RECONNAISSANCE

(2-90)

FRAME 2-91. INFORMATION FRAME.

One of the most important resources sought by an engineer party is a water point. Notice that there are two symbols for indicating existing water supplies, one for civilian facilities, the other for military. These would have a good water source, purification equipment, and good access routes. If there are no existing facilities, then a potential supply must be located. Estimates must be computed of the time, labor, and material necessary to improve the site.
(map study; without entering) (2-18)


Map reconnaissance has many advantages. Maps are readily available through regular distribution \underline{_______________________} and can be used by several elements for \underline{____________________} study. They are an \underline{_______________________} means of point location, distance measurement, and direction plotting. They provide detailed \underline{_______________________} and cultural data without the necessity for entering an area.

(perception; skills (or experience); estimated) (2-42)

FRAME 2-43.

Heavy \textit{foliage} can conceal objects or activity from an aerial observer as it does from an aerial camera. \textit{Defilade} caused by rugged relief also affects the amount of information observed from a low-flying aircraft.

In forested areas, information can be hidden from an aerial observer by heavy \underline{_______________________} or, in rugged areas, by \underline{_______________________}.
Refer to panels 2-2 and 2-3. These illustrate a sample of a completed Form 1711-R, both front and back. The R in the number means that it may be locally reproduced, but it should follow the format shown to insure that all necessary data are included. There are four parts to Form 1711-R: the heading, the body, the authentication block, and, on the reverse side, the work estimate.

Observed data is most useful for intelligence purposes when it is recorded completely, accurately, and uniformly on DA Form ______________________.

When a water point, either existing or potential, is reported on DA Form 1711-R, the quantity of water available is computed and noted. The water point formula, given on page 5 of Appendix I, is used to compute the quantity of water in gallons per minute. The formula multiplies the velocity of the water in feet per minute (V) by the cross-sectional area of the water source in square feet (A), and multiplies the result by a constant, 6.4. The formula is expressed as \( Q = (A)(V)(6.4) \).

The quantity of water in gallons per minute is computed by using the ____________________________

__________________________.
As valuable as maps are for preliminary study of an area, they have certain disadvantages. The chief disadvantage is the rapid **obsolescence** of certain map data. The depiction of man-made features on older maps may be unreliable. And since it takes so long to make a map, some of the information on it could become obsolete before the map is printed.

One disadvantage of map reconnaissance is that the maps may be ____________________________.

In combat zones, the low-flying, slower aircraft usually used for visual reconnaissance are vulnerable to enemy **fire**. Under such conditions, it may be preferable to depend upon high-altitude photographic surveillance, if available.

Aircraft or visual reconnaissance missions under combat conditions are vulnerable to enemy ____________________________.
FRAME 2-69.

The heading of the report includes the officer who ordered the reconnaissance; the commander of the unit which performed it the name, rank and organization of the party leader; when and where the reconnaissance was conducted; maps used; address to which the report should be delivered, and date/time due.

Details about the mission and those who ordered and conducted it are listed in the ______________________ of Form 1711-R.

(water point formula) (2-92)

FRAME 2-93.

On page 5 of Appendix I formulas are included for obtaining both A and V. The formula for obtaining the velocity of water, in feet per minute is

\[ V = \frac{60 \times \text{(distance in feet)}}{\text{time in seconds}} \]

If you note that the stream at a possible water point is flowing at a rate of 3 feet in 12 seconds, what is the velocity in feet per minute?
Map users should also remember that the amount of detail shown on a map is dependent on its scale. The smaller the scale the fewer the features that can be symbolized. Even on large-scale military maps, only selected detail is shown and certain features may have been omitted because of lack of space.

Another disadvantage of map reconnaissance is that __________________ ______ __________________ may have caused some features to be omitted.

Some of the disadvantages of aerial reconnaissance include: bad weather, heavy foliage, or defilade, which can __________________ objects or activity; the need for __________________ on the part of the observer; and the dangers from ____________________________.
FRAME 2-70.

Notice that the form is always from a commander to a commander, usually from a company commander to a battalion commander. The party leader's name appears only in the heading, in the Party Leader Block.

Form 1711-R is always addressed by a __________________________ to a __________________________.

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To determine A, the area of the cross-section of the water source, you must measure the width of the top (a) of the cross-section, the bottom (b) of the cross-section, and its height (h).

The formula for A is: \( A = \frac{h (a + b)}{2} \)

If you find that the top of the stream is 10' wide, the bottom, 4' wide, and its depth, 2', what is the value of A?

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(15 ft/min. \( V = \frac{(60)(3)}{12} = 15 \))
Finally, certain types of information needed for engineer operations cannot be obtained from maps because they are not symbolized. These include such data as soil composition, engineer construction materials, type of rock, and kinds of timber.

Map reconnaissance should be followed by ground reconnaissance whenever possible because some information needed for engineer operations is not ________________________________ on maps.

Set 2-5. GROUND RECONNAISSANCE

(conceal (or obscure); skills; enemy fire) (2-45)

FRAME 2-46. INFORMATION FRAME.

In this and the following sets of Lesson 2, we will discuss general engineer reconnaissance as reported on DA Form 1711-R. Route reconnaissance and its related DA forms will be treated in Lessons 3 and 4.
(commander; commander) (2-70)

FRAME 2-71.

Because the form will become part of the intelligence collection effort of the organization, it is always delivered to the S2. Maps used are identified by name, scale, and sheet number.

The findings of a reconnaissance mission are always delivered to the ________________ who can then relate them to the overall intelligence picture. The name, scale, and sheet number of the ________________ used aid in locating the information.

\[
\text{(14 sq. ft. } \frac{2(10 + 4)}{2} = 14) \text{ (2-94)}
\]

FRAME 2-95.

Now that you have determined V (15) and A (14), what is the quantity of water in gal. per min.? Remember that the water point formula is

\[
Q = (A)(V)(6.4)
\]
The disadvantages of map reconnaissance stem from the possibility that older maps may be ___________________________; that certain features may be omitted because of ___________________________; and from the fact that many items important to an engineer operation are not ___________________________ on maps.

In round reconnaissance, a survey party physically occupies an area and examines it directly for items of general engineer interest, for information related to a specific task.

An actual physical examination of an area by an occupying party is called ___________________________ reconnaissance.
FRAME 2-72.

Information which identifies the engineer reconnaissance mission and the personnel involved in it is included in the ______________________ of DA Form _______________________. The form is usually from a commander to a _______________________________ and be delivered to the S2. Maps are identified by name, scale, and sheet _________________________________.

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(1344 gal/min. Q = (14 sq. ft.) (15 ft/min) (6.4) = 1344) (2-95)

FRAME 2-96.

Among the essential data concerning a water point is an estimate of the amount of water available. This information is determined by using the ________________ ________________ formula. To use the formula, you must determine the ______________________ of the water in ft per minute, and the ______________________ of a cross section of the water source, in square feet.
Preliminary study of an area can also be made by using existing **aerial photos**. These can be in the form of a series of overlapping vertical photos, paired and viewed through a stereoscope to allow the perception of depth. They may be low or high oblique photos, taken from an aircraft with the camera at an angle to the ground. Area studies can also be made on photo maps or photomosaics, made by paneling together a series of adjacent photos to form a composite picture of a larger area.

Ground reconnaissance is preceded by map and aerial reconnaissance whenever conditions permit. The ground party can then verify or modify the preliminary data through close-range inspection.

Information obtained by preliminary map or aerial reconnaissance is ______________________ by ground reconnaissance parties.
(water point; velocity: area) (2-96)

END OF FRAMES
### Reconnaissance Instructions

**Organization:**

**TO:** CO, Co C 1st E  
**Effective:** 0700 00 Oct 72

**Maps:** 1:50,000  
**Complete report to:** 3-1st ENG BN at 0700 at Shaps 281644 Oct 72

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#### Detailed Instructions

- **Roads:** Classify using symbols.
- **Bridges, fords and ferries:** Classify using symbols. Possible by-pass for existing crossings.
- **Obstacles to our movement:** Natural and artificial: include demolitions mines, booby traps.
- **Terrain:** General nature, ridge system, drainage system including fordbility, forests, swamps, areas suitable for mechanized operations.
- **Engr Materials:** Particularly road material, bridge timbers, lumber, steel, explosives.
- **Engr Equipment:** Rock crushers, saw mills, garages, machine shops, blacksmith shops, etc.
- **Errors and Omissions on Maps Used:**
- **Barriers to enemy movement:** Natural, artificial and sites for construction of improvement. (Work estimates)
- **Water Points:** Recommended locations.
- **Streams:** General description, width, depth, banks, approaches, character of bottom and means to be used at possible crossing sites. Navigability?
- **Defensive Positions:**
- **Bivouac Areas:** Entrances, soil, drainage, sanitation, concealment.
- **Petroleum Storage and Equipment:**
- **Utilities:** Water, sewage, electricity, gas.
- **Ports:** Wharves, sunken obstacles, cargo handling facilities, storage facilities, transportation routes.
- **Construction Sites:** Drainage, water supply, power source, earthwork, access, access, access soil.

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**FOR THE COMMANDER:**

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PANEL 2-1. Reconnaissance Instructions.
**ENGINEER RECONNAISSANCE REPORT**

**TO:** Co, 21st Engr Bn, ATT: S2  
**FROM:** Co A, 21st Engr Bn  
**FILE NO.:**  
**PARTY LEADER:** W.C. Stevens, M/34T, E1  
**PLACE - HOUR - DATE:** UT 55649 G 131 (3) 3 MAR 73  
**REPORT NO.:**  
**MAPS:** Quantico, Virginia 1:5,000 Sheet 5561 III  
**DELIVER TO:**  
Organization, Place, Hour and Date  
5-2, 21st Engr Bn UT 55649 G 131 (3) 3 MAR 73

**ADDITIONAL REMARKS AND SKETCH:**

- **UT 55649 G - Log Post Obstacle Blocking Route 132**
  - (59) Logs @ 1.5m C-C on all sides
  - Obstacle not defused
  - Booby Trap Check revealed no booby traps
  - Bypass

- **UT 55649 H - Abandoned Enemy Eqpt.**
  - Quantity & Type: (2) 'Ziplo' Model 200 Crawler Cranes (Operational)
  - Checked for booby traps - None

- **UT 561492 - Existing Water Purification Plant**
  - Supplying water to the City of Yucca
  - Output: 50,000 gal per day

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d = (0.25)(64.9) = 16.25 \text{ ft}
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A = \frac{0.25}{0.40} = 0.625 \text{ ft}^2
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L = \frac{0.25}{0.80} = 0.312 \text{ ft}
\]

\[
V = 1/3 \times 0.25 \times 0.312 = 0.026 \text{ ft}^3
\]


2-53
SELF-TEST

LESSON 2

(solutions and text references follow)

Exercises:

1. There are two basic types of engineer reconnaissance, ___________________ and ___________________.

2. What are the methods used by engineers to perform reconnaissance missions? ___________________, ___________________, ___________________.

Situation:

You are making a preliminary study of an area on maps and aerial photographs before a ground party enters the area. The maps are four years old; the photos were flown two weeks before the study. Would the maps or the photos be preferred to provide the necessary data for each of the following requirements?

3. Point locations for several specified items of engineer interest to be investigated by the ground party.
   map _______________    photo _______________

4. Checking an intelligence report which lists a section of road as washed out during the previous rainy season.
   map _______________    photo _______________

5. Key elevations along the tops of two ridges in the area, and the relative heights of the ridges above the surrounding terrain.
   map _______________    photo _______________

6. Relative density of tee canopy in four wooded areas.
   map _______________    photo _______________

7. An actual physical examination of an area by an occupying party is called
   a. terrain study
   b. engineer intelligence
   c. ground reconnaissance
8. Certain data, such as soil composition or the clearance of a tunnel or underpass, can only be determined by ____________________________ reconnaissance.

9. Which is most important with regard to conducting a ground reconnaissance, a. providing the most complete data possible, or b. meeting the specified due date and time?

10. An engineer reconnaissance to check the capacity and condition of several bridges in an area is being planned. Who prepares the time schedule for arriving at the various points along the reconnaissance route?

11. Every reconnaissance party, regardless of its objective, observes certain principles. Which of the following is not a valid procedure for ground reconnaissance parties?
   a. giving careful attention to obtaining accurate and complete measurements
   b. adhering as closely as possible to a predetermined schedule
   c. engaging the enemy in combat whenever possible.

Refer to Panel 2-1 in the Programmed Text for exercises 12 and 13.

12. How many types of information were specified in the instructions as requiring investigation by Co B?

13. Which of the following items was included among those requiring a report?
   a. construction sites
   b. map errors
   c. water points

14. On which DA Form is a general engineer reconnaissance recorded?

15. Where on DA Form 1711-R will you find the identification of the reconnaissance mission and the personnel who ordered and conducted it?

16. What information do you expect to find in the body of DA Form 1711-R?

17. The authentication block contains the signature of
   a. reconnaissance party leader
   b. performing unit's commander
18. What is entered on the reverse side of DA Form 1711-R?

19. Engineer Resource Symbols are shown on page 7 of Appendix I. How are they used in a reconnaissance report?  

a. They are drawn on a sketch map or overlay in the correct location.

b. They are entered in Column 2 of Form 1711-R, next to their Keying numbers.

20. One of the tasks which you, as a party leader, must report on is the quantity of water available at a potential water point noted during the preliminary map reconnaissance. You determine the velocity of water to be 10 ft per min, and the area of a cross-section of the stream to be 12 square feet. What is the available quantity of water, in gallons per minute, at this water point?  

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## SOLUTIONS TO SELF-TEST

### LESSON 2

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LESSON 3

ROUTE RECONNAISSANCE

CREDIT HOURS.........................................................3

TEXT ASSIGNMENT...................................................Attached programmed text.

LESSON OBJECTIVES..............................................Upon completion of this lesson, you will be able to:

1. Prepare route reconnaissance overlays, using standard symbolization for obstructions (curves, grades, width constrictions, etc.) to permit evaluation of conditions affecting traffic flow and deployment of personnel and materiel on a route.

2. Interpret route reconnaissance overlays to assess route conditions and determine feasibility of route for deployment of forces.

3. Express route classification in terms of formula, enabling ready evaluation of a route or alternate routes.

TURN TO PAGE 3-3 FOR FRAME 3-1.
Note that the military load classification is never underlined regardless of the value or expected traffic. (Later we will discuss the fact that the lowest bridge military load classification number determines the military load classification of the route.)

However, if either the overhead clearance or traveled way width noted on a bridge symbol represent an obstruction, they are ____________________________ .

Draw below the ferry symbol for a ferry which has the following characteristics:

a. Left bank approach is difficult
b. Serial #12A
c. vehicular
d. Class 80
e. Dead weight capacity, unknown
f. Turn around time, 21 minutes
One of the most frequent types of reconnaissance that engineers are called upon to perform is **route reconnaissance**. Route reconnaissance provides information to aid in route selection for movement of troops, equipment, and supplies.

Route selection for tactical operations is based whenever possible on information obtained by ________________________________ .

______________________________

(triangle; radius) (3-30)

The symbol below represents a curve at point A with a radius ________________________________ (greater than, equal to, less than) 25 meters and a ________________________________ curve at point B with a radius of ________________________________ .
Draw a symbol for a bridge on a route expected to have two way tracked and wheeled vehicle traffic with the following characteristics:

a. Bridge number 62.

b. Tracked vehicle class.
   1. One way 60.
   2. Two way 30.

c. Wheeled vehicle class.
   1. One way 65.
   2. Two way 30.

d. Traveled way width: 7.5m

e. Overall length 95m.

f. Overhead clearance 9.9m

g. Bypass easy.

Two structures found along a route which will often cause overhead clearance to be restricted are underpasses and tunnels. The underpass symbol is drawn across the route symbol on the overlay in its correct location. The location of the tunnel is indicated by an arrow. Both symbols indicate the general shape of the opening, such as arched or rectangular.

Symbols for underpasses and tunnels show both the ____________________________ and general ____________________________ of the feature.
A route is a composite of terrain factors. Information about these factors is the object of route reconnaissance. They include:

a. Physical characteristics of routes such as widths, curves, surface types, gradients, etc.
b. Bridges, fords, ferries.
c. Tunnels and underpasses.
d. Artificial obstacles (roadblocks, craters, minefields, etc.)
e. Rockfalls and slide areas.
f. Drainage clearance 9.9m
g. Other natural and man-made features, such as wooded or built-up areas, which may affect movement.

Sharp curves are considered to be obstructions. Therefore, curves with radii of 25 meters or less are considered to be ____________________, and must be ____________________ on the route reconnaissance overlay.
FRAME 3-63

When the symbol for a bridge, tunnel, or other possible obstruction is shown, a bypass symbol may placed on the shaft of the arrow showing whether bypass is easy, difficult, or impossible.

The bypass symbol is placed on the _________________________ of the bridge or tunnel symbol.

NOTE: Track one way or two way can never be higher than wheel.

(location; shape) (3-92)

FRAME 3-93

Before proceeding, refer back to Frame 3-57 and briefly review obstructions. For tunnels and overpasses, we are concerned with reduction in traveled way widths, and less than minimum overhead clearances.

The minimum overhead clearance is __________________________. The minimum road way width for two way tracked vehicle traffic is ______________________; for two way wheeled vehicle traffic it is ______________________; for one way tracked vehicle traffic it is ______________________; for one way wheeled vehicle traffic it is ______________________.
There are two methods of conducting route reconnaissance, **hasty** and **deliberate**. They differ only in the completeness of reported information.

Route reconnaissance may be either ___________________________ or ______________________________ depending on the ____________________________ or reported information.

Another obstruction along a route which must be reported is a steep slope or grade. Any slope of 7% or greater is considered an obstruction, but all slopes 5% or greater must be reported on the overlay.

To be considered an obstruction, a slope must be _________________ % or more, although all slopes which measure _________________ % or more must be recorded.
Bypasses are classified as EASY, DIFFICULT, or IMPOSSIBLE. Each type of bypass is symbolized on the shaft of the arrow indicating the feature's map location.

There are three kinds of bypasses which are symbolized on route reconnaissance overlays:

_________________________ , __________________________ and ______________________________.

On the underpass symbol, overhead clearance is shown to the right of the basic symbol and width is shown to the left. As with bridges, we underline the values of overhead clearance and width if they constitute an obstruction, as explained on pages 3, 11 and 12 of Appendix I.

This symbol represents an ___________________ shaped underpass with ___________________ overhead clearance and ___________________ traveled way width. For one way tracked vehicle traffic, we would _______________________ the value for width.
Hasty route reconnaissance determines the immediate military trafficability of a specified route, and limited to critical terrain data necessary for route classification and the intelligence requirements of the situation.

Critical data regarding the immediate military trafficability of a route is the object of route reconnaissance.

The slope symbol is an arrow pointing uphill with the exact grade next to it. The number of arrowheads indicates the steepness. These are the symbol, as shown on page 3 of Appendix I.

A steep slope is shown by an arrow pointing with the exact grade beside it.
The symbol for a bypass easy is , and it means that the obstacle can be crossed within the immediate vicinity by a US 2 1/2 ton truck without work to improve the bypass.

A bypass which can be crossed by most military vehicles without expenditure of engineer effort is shown as a .

This underpass is ____________________ shaped and has ________________________ meters overhead clearance.
Deliberate route reconnaissance is made when enough time and qualified personnel are available to provide data for a thorough analysis and classification of significant terrain features along a route, including, when required, recommended repair or demolition procedures.

Adequate _________________________ and qualified _________________________ are necessary for the performance of a _________________________ reconnaissance which is a more _________________________ analysis of route terrain features.

FRAME 3-35.

The symbol shown below represents a grade of ____________ %, going downhill from ____________ to ____________ (direction).
(bypass easy) (3-65)

FRAME 3-66.

The symbol for a bypass difficult is \[\text{\textbullet}\]. A bypass difficult means that the obstacle can be crossed within the **immediate vicinity**, but some **work** will be necessary to improve the bypass.

Both the bypass easy and bypass difficult indicate that the obstacle can be crossed within the ________________ but the bypass difficult requires some ________________ to improve the bypass.

(rectangular; 7) (3-95)

FRAME 3-96.

A tunnel or overpass represents an obstruction to travel when either overhead ______________________ or traveled way ____________________________ is below the minimum. In that case, the figures are __________________.
(time; personnel; deliberate; thorough) (3-5)

FRAME 3-6.

Route reconnaissance obtains necessary data about the _____________________ which make up a route. It may be hasty or _____________________ , depending on the _____________________ of the reported information.

(22; east; west (remember, the arrow points uphill)) (3-35)

FRAME 3-36.

When the grade symbol is used, the **length** of the **arrow** represents the length of the grade if the map scale permits.

If the route is plotted to scale, the length of the grade is indicated by the _____________________ of the _____________________.
The Symbol for a bypass impossible is . This situation means that the obstacle can only be crossed by one of the following methods:

1. Repair of item; e.g. bridge.
2. New construction.
3. Detour using alternate route which crosses the obstacle some distance away.

When an obstacle requires extensive repair or construction or a long detour, it is classed as a bypass__________.

The tunnel symbol, like the underpass symbol, shows the basic shape of the restriction, overhead clearance and width. However, the tunnel symbol also shows the length of the tunnel, serial number, bypass conditions, and is drawn with an arrow extending to the map location.

This tunnel symbol represents a ________________ shaped tunnel with a bypass ________________.
Set 3-2. REPORTING METHODS: OVERLAYS

(terrain factors; deliberate; completeness) (3-6)

FRAME 3-7

Route reconnaissance information is reported in three ways: on an overlay; by a coded route classification formula; and on special DA Reconnaissance Report Forms as applicable.

Three ways: ______________________ , classification ______________________ , and DA Reconnaissance Report Forms, are used by reconnaissance parties to __________________________ observed information.

FRAME 3-37.

The symbol shown below represents a grade of _________________ %, _________________ meters long, going uphill from _________________ to _________________ (direction).
Draw the symbols for:

a. Bypass easy.

b. Bypass difficult.

c. Bypass impossible.

The tunnel serial number is inside the tunnel symbol, overhead clearance on the left side of the figure, length on the right side of the symbol, and width below the figure. As with bridges and underpasses, dimensions are in meters and we underline the values of overhead clearance and width if they represent an obstruction.

This tunnel symbol represents an arch-shaped tunnel, number ______________, which is ________ high, ______________ long, and ______________ wide.
FRAME 3-8.

Route reconnaissance information is reported on ____________________, by classification ____________________, and by DA Reconnaissance Report ______________________________.

FRAME 3-38.

Refer to the Route Reconnaissance Overlay on page 2 of Appendix I. In the upper right corner of the overlay, Route N452 makes a sharp curve as it climbs a steep hill, both symbolized as obstructions on the overlay. What is the radius of the curve, and the per cent slope of the hill?
When an obstacle can be bypassed with no work necessary to improve it, it is symbolized as a bypass _______________. If some work, but no long detour is required, the symbol used is for a bypass ______________. Major repair or construction or a long detour means that the bypass for the obstacle will be shown as _______________.

(G3; 4.5m; 1200m; 4.2m) (3-98)

FRAME 3-99.

Draw below the symbol for a tunnel with a roadway width of 6 meters an arch shape, and which has 5 meters overhead clearance for all of is 127 meter length. Bypass of this tunnel is impossible.
The preferred method for reporting route reconnaissance is on an overlay, or if existing maps are not available, on a simplified map sketch.

A sketch or ______________ is the ___________ ______________ for reporting route reconnaissance information.

(27m; 8%) (3-38)

FRAME 3-39.

Sharp ______________ with radii of ______________ m. or less, and steep ______________ with slopes greater than ______________ % are considered obstructions and must be reported on the overlay.
Set 3-7. REVIEW OF OBSTRUCTIONS

(easy, difficult; impossible) (3-69)

FRAME 3-70

The sample route symbolized below will be used for two-way class 40 military vehicles. How many obstacles have been symbolized along the route?

FRAME 3-100.

A tunnel or underpass represents an obstruction to travel when either overhead ___________ or traveled way ______________ is below the minimum. In either case, the figures are __________________________.
There are five items that must be entered on an overlay. These are:

1. Title block.

2. Two grids intersections.


4. Route drawn to scale, with reconnaissance symbols shown as necessary.

5. Rout classification formula.

This information identifies, locates, and orients the route reconnaissance.

The five required items on an overlay serve to ________, ________, and ______________ the reconnaissance.

Constrictions, reductions in traveled way widths which are below the standard minimum widths prescribed for the expected type of traffic flow, are considered to be obstructions.

Another type of obstruction which must be reported is a ______________ , or reduction in the traveled way ______________ .
List the four obstacles shown on the overly:

a. ______________________________________________________________________

b. ______________________________________________________________________

c. ______________________________________________________________________

d. ______________________________________________________________________

Let us review those minimum dimensions below which a tunnel or overpass becomes an obstruction. The minimum overhead clearance is ___________________________. The minimum road way widths are as follows:

two way tracked vehicles: ____________________________________________________

two way wheeled vehicles: _________________________________________________

one way tracked vehicles: _________________________________________________

one way wheeled vehicles: ________________________________________________
The title block usually appears in the lower right corner of the overlay. It tells when and by whom it was prepared, its scale, and the map to which it is keyed.

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The title block tells ___________________________ and by ___________________________ the overlay was prepared, and the ___________________________ to which it is keyed.

To determine whether or not a constriction is an obstruction, you must know the traffic flow requirements, such as whether it will be one way or two way, and whether the route will be used by wheeled or tracked vehicles.

Traffic flow considerations include whether it will be one way or ___________________________, and will accommodate wheeled or _______________________ vehicles.
The bridge symbol indicates obstacles both in overhead clearance and width of traveled way. What does it tell us about bypassing it?

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Set 3-11. REVIEW OF OVERLAY SYMBOLS

(4.3m; 8m; 7m; 6m; 5.5m) (3-101)

Study the sample route symbolized below. The military traffic expected for this route will be one-way tracked vehicles. How many obstructions are there for this type of traffic? ____________________________
The next two required items, the grid intersections and the north arrow, serve to orient the overlay correctly with reference both to the map and to ground direction.

The overlay is properly oriented by means of the ____________ intersections and the _______________ ________________

The minimum roadway widths are as follows:

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A roadway with a width of 7.3m will handle two way _______ vehicle traffic but will handle only one way ______________ vehicle traffic without causing an obstruction. This area would be recorded on a route reconnaissance overlay as an obstruction only when considering the route for ____________ vehicles.
In an area of operations, fords are often on routes used by military traffic. All fords are considered to be obstructions and as such must always be __________ on the route reconnaissance overlay.

The route crosses three streams, using a ford, a ferry, and a bridge, and tunnels through a hilltop. Which of these constitutes obstructions for one-way tracked vehicles?
Two grid intersections, usually in opposite corners, are needed for proper orientation. The north arrow indicates grid north, or compass direction.

For proper orientation, ____________ grid intersections are needed. The north arrow indicates ________________ north.

Before proceeding, be sure you can complete the table shown below:

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See the ford reconnaissance symbol shown on page 4 of Appendix I. This symbol provides limited information about the ford by figures above and below the main line of the ford symbol. **Approach conditions** are shown by a straight or sawtooth line on the left or right of the figures. An arrow at one end of this line indicates the **location** of the ford.

The ford symbol consists of ___________________ above and below a line symbol, with a straight or sawtooth line on either side to indicate ______________________, and an arrow to indicate _______________________.

Remember that fords and ferries are always considered obstructions, regardless of their size or capacity. The tunnel and the bridge shown on the overlay, however, would not be obstructions to the expected traffic, since both their widths and overhead clearances equal or exceed the minimum for one-way tracked vehicles. How many of the curves shown constitute obstructions?
The overlay and the one who prepares it are identified by means of the __________ ________. The ___________ intersections and the north ____________ are used to orient the overlay.

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The symbol for a width constriction looks like this

[Image of a width constriction symbol]

The width is expressed in meters of usable roadway and is written outside of the triangle on the left, and the total constricted length, in meters, is written on the right.

Width constriction symbols indicate the width of the traveled way on the _____________ and the length of the constricted area on the _________________.
At this point, it is helpful to pay attention to Note #3 on page A-11 of Appendix I, which gives the rule for proper orientation of the right and left banks of a stream. These are always determined by the observer looking **downstream**.

To determine the right and left banks of a stream, the observer must be looking ________________________ ____________________ .

There are curves which have a radius 25 meters or less and therefore constitute obstruction. The other curves with a radius of 41 meters has been reported, but would not be a obstruction for normal military traffic. What other obstructions are shown along this route?
(title block; grid; arrow) (3-14)

FRAME 3-15.

The route (the fourth required item on the overlay) is shown by a **single line** which follows the axis of the road symbol on the map. If the road symbol is not shown on the map, the line is plotted on the overlay as closely as possible to the true location of the road. The route number, either military or civilian, is shown in parentheses next to the symbol.

The route symbol on the overlay is a ____________________  ____________________ which follows the map symbol.

__________________________

(3-44)

FRAME 3-45.

The symbol shown below represent a ____________________, with a usable roadway width of ____________________ meters, and a total constricted length of ____________________ meters.
A sawtooth line indicates a **difficult** approach. A straight line indicates an easy approach. The side symbol where the straight or sawtooth line appears corresponds to the right or left bank of the stream.

A sawtooth line on the right of the ford symbol indicates a _______________ approach on the _______________ bank.

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Both slopes are greater than 7% and the width constriction is less than the 6m minimum width required for one-way tracked vehicles. The six obstructions, then, the consist of the ford, the ferry, two steep slopes, a width constriction, and one sharp curve.
The line of the route symbol indicates the true alignment of the road, scale permitting. When the route symbol (line) curves, it denotes a curve on the ground.

Therefore, the symbol for a curve on the ground is a _________________ in the route symbol on the overlay.

Let's review the symbols for obstructions we have learned so far. This example of a route recon overlay was prepared for potential two-way tracked vehicle traffic.

Proceeding from west to east, the first obstruction we encounter is a _________________ with a radius of _________________ . The route turns south and begins a _________ km uphill grade of _________%. Upon topping the hill and turning east on a curve with a radius _________ than 25m, we proceed downhill on a _________ km grade of _________%. The fourth and last obstruction is a _________________ _______________ having a usable width of _________ m and extending for _________ meters.
The figure below has a difficult approach on the ___________________ bank and an easy approach on the _________________ bank.

Set 3-12. ROUTE CLASSIFICATION FORMULA

If you refer back to frame 3-10, you will recall that there are five required items for a route reconnaissance overlay. We have discussed the title block, grid intersections, north arrow, and route symbols. What is the fifth item required on an overlay
FRAME 3-17.

Besides the line indicating the location and alignment of the route, there are various route reconnaissance symbols, shown along the route, which portray other data.

To show additional needed data, __________________  __________________  __________________ shown along the route.

FRAME 3-47.

Another obstruction, which is usually indicated as part of the symbol for another feature, is an overhead clearance of less than 4.3 meters. Tunnels, underpasses, overhead wires, and overhanging buildings whose overhead clearance is less than ______________ are considered to be ______________________.
All fords are considered ________________, and must be recorded. The symbol consists of a main line with ________________ above and below the line indicating the characteristics of the ford. Straight or sawtooth extensions of this line indicate ________________ ________________.

(route classification formula) (3-107)

FRAME 3-108. INFORMATION FRAME.

The route classification formula summarizes the factors of military significance which characterize a route. Page 8 of Appendix I describes the components of the formula, and explains several examples. The components follow a standardized sequence of minimum traveled way width, route type, lowest military load classification, obstruction(s), if present, and special conditions, if present.
Route reconnaissance symbols, like map symbols and other graphic portrayals, provide a "shorthand" for concisely recording terrain data pertaining to any particular route.

Terrain data pertaining to any particular route can be concisely recorded by the use of ______________________ ______________________ ______________________.

As we discuss the symbol for some of the other features shown on a route reconnaissance overlay, you will learn the ways of indicating overhead clearance that is an obstruction.

For now, you should remember to include among obstructions which must be indicated any feature whose overhead __________________ is less than ______________________ .

(4.3; m obstructions) 3-47)
The figures in the ford symbol are separated by slashes (/) and each figure has a specific location in the symbol. If the information is not known, a question mark (?) is used in place of the standard figure. The first figure above the line in the ford symbol is the ford serial number.

This symbol represents a ford with serial number _______________________. The approaches on both banks are _______________________.

In determining the first item in the formula, the minimum width, consider all factors which might limit the traveled way width, such as underpasses, bridges, fords, etc. What would be the minimum width of traveled way for the route symbolized in Frame 3-102? _____________________________________________________________
FRAME 3-19.

The route itself is shown on the overlay by a single ________________ which follows the map symbol and shows the ________________ on the ground. Terrain data along the route are shown by ________________ ________________ .

(clearance; 4.3m) (3-48)

FRAME 3-49.

The four types of obstructions which we have learned so far are:

a.

b.

c.

d.
The second figure above the line represents the **type** of ford. Two letters are used to show the basic types of ford:

- **V** -- Vehicular ford
- **P** -- Pedestrian ford

To properly determine whether a ford is vehicular (V), Pedestrian (P), or both (VP), it must meet the following criteria:

### TRAFFICABILITY OF FUNDS

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* Approaches over 35% are considered difficult for both V or P traffic.

This ford symbol represents a ford with serial number __________________ which is both a __________  and a __________________ ford and has a __________________ approach on the right bank.

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The next item, the route type, is determined by the trafficability of the route in adverse weather. There are three types; **X**, all weather; **Y**, all weather (limited); and **Z**, fair weather.

The three types of routes are __________________ , all weather; __________________ , all weather (limited); and __________________ , fair weather.
FRAME 3-20. INFORMATION FRAME.

Refer again to Appendix I. You will recall from the last lesson that this is an enlarged reproduction of the pocket-sized Engineer Reconnaissance Card, GTA5-25-5. On page A-2 of the Appendix there is an example of a route reconnaissance overlay. Pages 3, 4, and 5 contain explanations of symbols to be used on overlays for reportable items. Bridge information, methods for measuring curve, slopes, and stream widths, and other reconnaissance data, are found elsewhere in the Appendix. Become familiar with the material found in this Appendix. It will aid you both in preparing and in interpreting route reconnaissance overlays.

FRAME 3-50.

Perhaps the most frequently used symbol in route reconnaissance is the full NATO bridge symbol. The bridge symbol consists of the following information:

The bridge symbol has an arrow extending from the circle to the __________________________ of the bridge.
The third figure above the line represents stream velocity in meter per second and the final figure above the line represents seasonal limiting factors. An X is used to indicate no seasonal limitations except short duration flooding and a Y is used to indicate significant seasonal limitations.

**NOTE:** If the Y symbol is used, the route type in the classification formula automatically becomes type Z.

This symbol represents a (type) _____________________ ford, number 4, with a __________________ m/sec velocity, __________________ seasonal limitations, and an __________________ approach on the right bank.

(X; Y; Z) (3-110)

**frame 3-111**

Just as the narrowest portion of the traveled way determines the minimum width of the route, so does the worst section of the route determine the mute type in the formula.

The route type is determined by the

a. longest

b. best

c. worst section of the route
FRAME 3-21.

On page 4 of Appendix I, you will note the **limits of sector** symbol. It consists of two V-shaped arrowheads with their points on the route symbol.

V-shaped symbols with their points touching the mute symbol indicate the _____________________________
__________________  _______________.

(map location) (3-50)

FRAME 3-51.

The circle in the bridge symbol is divided into three parts, the top halves showing the military load classification and the bottom half showing an arbitrarily assigned serial number for the bridge. The bridge indicated by this symbol is bridge number _____________, and the one-way wheel classification is_______________.

3-43
The first two figures below the line are the length and width of the ford in meters.

This symbol represents a vehicular ford, number 5, with a __________________ meter length and _________ meter width. The stream velocity for this ford is _______________ and there are ___________ seasonal limitations.

(c. worst) (3-111)

The first two items in the route classification formula indicate

a. the __________________ of the narrowest portion of the traveled way, in meters or feet.

b. the route __________________ , as determined by the effects of the weather on the ________________ section of the route.
FRAME 3-22.

The limits of sector symbol indicates the extent of each portion of the route which has a given route classification.

The limits of each portion of the route which has a separate classification are shown by the ___________ ___________ ___________ symbol.

FRAME 3-52.

The full NATO bridge symbol indicates the bridge classification for both track and wheel traffic. Information within the symbol will indicate one-way wheel or track on the right side of the symbol and two-way wheel or track on the left side.

The one-way wheel or track information is shown on the _____________ side and the two-way wheel or track information on the _______________ side of the symbol.
The third figure below the line represents the nature of the bottom of the ford. Capital letters are used to designate the different types of bottom as shown below:

- M — mud
- G — gravel
- C — clay
- R — rock
- S — sand
- P — artificial paving

This symbol represents vehicular ford, number N1, with a ___________ bottom, a ___________ stream velocity, significant seasonal limitations, a ___________ width, a ___________ length and difficult approaches.

The third item in the formula, the military load classification, is a rating system which considers the load-bearing capacity and dimensions of routes, especially bridges, and the weight and size of the vehicles. Most military vehicles are marked with their classification numbers.

The rating system developed to indicate whether a route can accommodate a vehicle of a given weight and size if known as the ___________ ___________ ___________ ___________.
FRAME 3.23.

The length of the section of the route is shown, in kilometers or miles, along the route symbol between the two arrowheads.

The limits of sector symbol shows the ______________of the section of road it indicates.

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FRAME 3.53.

The full NATO bridge symbol, which shows the military load classification for one-way wheel and track traffic only, looks like this.

The military load classification of this bridge for one-way track is ________________________ .
In Ford #E5 represented by the symbol below, what is the length, width, bottom composition, and deepest point of the ford?

![Diagram](rock; 2m/sec; 9m; 20m) (3-83)

**FRAME 3-84.**

The final figure below the line represents the normal depth of water in meters at the deepest point.

In Ford #E5 represented by the symbol below, what is the length, width, bottom composition, and deepest point of the ford?

![Diagram](rock; 2m/sec; 9m; 20m) (3-83)

**FRAME 3-144.**

The **lowest** military load classification found along the route is used in the formula. Most of the time, this is the classification of a bridge.

The route classification formula always indicates the _______________ military load classification found along the route
FRAME 3-24.

How many kilometers of road have been reconnoitered in the sample shown below? ____________________
_____________________________________________________________________________

FRAME 3-54.

The full bridge symbol shows the military load classification for two-way traffic on the left, and one-way traffic on the right.

The bridge symbol below denotes bridge number _____________ , which has a one-way wheel classification of _________________ , and a two-way track classification of ______________________ .
(75m; 10m; artificial paving; 1m) (3-84)

FRAME 3-85. REVIEW FRAME.

How would you symbolize the following ford on a reconnaissance overlay?

It is the second ford to be symbolized, vehicular, and crosses a stream flowing at 2 meters per second, with no seasonal limiting factors. It is 15 meters long, 5 meters wide, has a gravel bottom, and .75 meter deep at its deepest point. The approach on the left bank is difficult; on the right bank it is easy. Draw the symbol below.

(lowest) (3-114)

FRAME 3-115.

The fourth item in the route classification formula is the lowest overhead clearance along the route. If clearance is unlimited, symbolize it by using 00 in the route classification formula.

If any of the obstructions we have discussed in this lesson exist along a route, the letters (OB), in parentheses, are shown in the route formula. Obstructions may be in overhead clearance or width constructions, slopes, curves, ferries or fords.

The fourth item in the route classification formula is the lowest __________________________. The letters (OB) in the formula indicates one or more __________________________ along the route.
The limits of sector symbol indicates both the ________ and the ____________ in kilometers or miles of each section of the route which has the same ______________.

Some bridge symbols show the military load classification for two way traffic on the left and one-way traffic on the right of symbols.

The bridge indicated by the symbol shown below will carry class ____________________________ two-way tracked vehicle traffic and class ______________________ one-way wheeled vehicle traffic.
A ferry, like a ford, is always considered to be an obstruction to traffic and therefore is always recorded on reconnaissance reports and overlays.

Beside some bridges and all fords, another river crossing method that is always considered an obstruction is a ______________________ .

(overhead clearance; obstructions) (3-115)

If the formula indicates that there are obstructions along a route, it is necessary to refer to the overlay to determine the number and nature of the obstructions.

The formula indicates the existence, but not the ___________ or ___________ of the obstructions.
SET 4. OBSTRUCTIONS

(limits; length classification) (3-25)

FRAME 3-26.

One of the most important functions of route reconnaissance symbols is to pin-point and describe the various obstructions along the route.

Route reconnaissance symbols are used to indicate ______________________ along the route.

FRAME 3-56.

Regardless of the scheme of graphically displaying the load classification, all bridge symbols have the bridge serial number in the lower half of the circle with the two-way class on the left and one-way class on the right. (If only one class is shown, it is the one-way class of the bridge.)

The bridge symbol shown below has a one-way wheel military load classification of __________ and a two-way wheel classification of __________. Its serial number is ___________________.

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(25; 60) (3-55)

3-53
The ferry symbol is similar to the ford symbol in that approach conditions are recorded in the same manner, and because the first notation above the line is the serial number.

Ferry number IA, represented by this symbol, has a __________________________ approach on the right bank.

Finally, the formula indicates snow blockage or flooding, when these conditions occur regularly along the route. The letter (T) enclosed in parentheses is used for snow blockage; the letter (W) indicates flooding.

Special conditions are indicated at the end of the formula by the letter T, for ________________________________ , or the letter W, for ________________________________ .
(obstructions) (3-26)

FRAME 3-27.

Obstructions are factors which restrict the type, amount, or speed of traffic flow. They are always recorded on route reconnaissance overlays.

Any factors which restrict traffic flow are considered _____________________ and are _____________________ on the route reconnaissance overlays.

(80; 60; 6) (3-56)

FRAME 3-57. REVIEW FRAME.

Before further discussing the bridge symbol, let's briefly review obstructions; the factors which restrict the type and amount or speed of traffic flow and which are always recorded on the route reconnaissance overlays. So far, the following features have been classified as obstructions:

a. Curves whose radii of curvature are 25m or less.
b. Gradients (slopes) of 7% or greater.
c. Reduction in traveled way widths which are below minimum standards prescribed for the type traffic flow (single or double, wheeled or tracked.) Minimum widths were defined as:

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<tr>
<th>TRAFFIC FLOW</th>
<th>WIDTHS FOR WHEELED VEH.</th>
<th>WIDTHS FOR TRACKED VEH.</th>
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<tr>
<td>5.5m to 7.3m</td>
<td>6m to 8m</td>
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<tr>
<td>7.3m or over</td>
<td>8m or over</td>
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d. Overhead clearances which are less than 4.3m.
The first figure above the line of the ferry symbol is the ferry serial number and the second figure represents the type of ferry. The two types of ferries are presented by letters as shown below.

V -- vehicular ferry
P -- pedestrian ferry

NOTE: If a ferry is a vehicular type it will always be categorized as both V & P (VP). (Basically if it can transport vehicles, then it can transport pedestrians.) However, a pedestrian type ferry cannot be considered a vehicular type ferry.

This symbol represents a (type) _______________ ferry with ________________ approaches and serial number __________________ .

(snow blockage; flooding)

The load bearing capacity and dimension on a route are used to determine the military load classification of the route formula. If the letters OB, T, or W appear at the end of the formula, it indicates that there are ____________ , ________________ , ________________ , or ________________ .
FRAME 3-28.

As you learned in FRAME 3-16, when a route curves on the ground the line depicting it curves on the overlay. An additional symbol is needed if the curve is sharp; that is when it has a radius of 25 meters or less.

Curves which have a radius 25 meters or less are considered _______________ curves, requiring an additional symbol.

(3-27)

FRAME 3-58.

The bridge symbol also has information to the left, right and below the basic symbol. Overhead clearance is to the left, overall length of the bridge to the right, and traveled way width is blow the basic symbol.

The bridge represented by this symbol has _______________ overhead clearance, _______________ overall length, and _______________ traveled way width. The classification of this bridge for two way wheeled vehicle traffic is _______________ .

(3-57)
The figures inside the boxed ferry symbol represent the military load classification and dead weight capacity in tons.

This symbol represents a (type) __________________ ferry with serial number ________________ , a military classification of ________________ , and a _______________ dead weight weight capacity.

Write the route classification formula for an all weather route, class 30, 6 meter wide route with a minimum overhead clearance of 4.2 meters. There is a ferry that crosses the route.
Shar curves, i.e., curves which have a radius of 25 meters or less, are considered **obstructions** and are always symbolized on the overlay. Curves with radii between 25 and 45 meters are reported, although they are not obstructions.

**Sharp curves are considered ____________________________ if they have a radius of 25 meters or less.**

With obstructions in mind, let's take another look at the bridge symbol. When the overhead clearance or traveled way width on the symbol represents an **obstruction**, it is **underlined**

**Overhead clearances or traveled way widths on a bridge symbol are __________________________ when they are __________________________.**
Finally, the figures below the symbol show the turn around time, in minutes.

This symbol represents a (type) _______________ ferry, number 5, military load class ___________, a dead weight capacity of ______________, and a turn around time of _____________.

TURN BACK TO BOTTOM OF PAGE 3-2 FOR FRAME 3-91.

4.2/Y/5/4.1(OB)

FRAME 3-120.

Describe the route classified by the following formula:

4.2/Y/5/4.1(OB)
The symbol for a sharp curve is a triangle with the vertex on the route symbol at the curve, and the radius of the curve, in meters, written outside of the symbol. Here is the route reconnaissance symbol for a sharp curve with a radius of 20 meters:

The sharp curve symbol is a _______________ with its vertex on the route symbol at the curve, and its _______________ written outside the symbol.

Frame 3-60.

In the bridge symbol below, with an overhead clearance of 4.1m, overall length, 100m, and traveled way width of 7m for expected two way tracked vehicle traffic, which values should be underlined?

TURN BACK TO TOP OF PAGE 3-2 FOR FRAME 3-61.
(minimum width is 4-2m, limited all weather, lowest military load classification, 52, with one or more obstructions along the route) (3-120)
The leader of a route reconnaissance has prepared the overlay shown below to record the information gathered by the party. The expected military traffic will be two-way tracked vehicles. The exercises which follow are based on this overlay. Fill in the solutions in the spaces provided. To check your solutions, or to review the frames containing the teaching points, refer to the solution sheet which follows the self test.
Exercises:

1. What information on the overlay aids the user in locating and orienting the overlay?

2. What is the route designation?

3. How long is the section of the route that was reconnoitered?

4. The route symbol shown on the overlay indicates that there are five curves in the sector which was reconnoitered. How many are obstructions?

5. Is the symbol correct for the slope between tunnel #1 and bridge #3?

6. The symbol northwest of bridge #2 represents a
   a. sharp curve
   b. detour
   c. width constriction
   d. underpass

7. What is the overhead clearance for tunnel #1?

8. Why is the overhead clearance figure underlined on the underpass symbol?

9. Is the underpass symbol correct for the expected two-way tracked vehicle traffic?
   Why?
10. How many other symbols represent an obstruction to two-way tracked vehicles with regard to the width of traveled way?

11. If only one-way tracked vehicular traffic were permitted, how many obstructions, from the standpoint of width, would remain?

12. #1?

13. Are any of the bridges easy to bypass?

14. Which approach is difficult at the ferry site?

15. What is the stream velocity at ford #1?

16. The route classification formula for this route is shown in the northeast corner of the overlay. Is the type indicated for this route consistent with the ford symbol?

17. What change would you make in this route classification formula when considering this route for two-way tracked vehicular traffic?
SOLUTIONS TO SELF-TEST

LESSON 3

Solutions

1. map reference; grid intersections, north arrow
   Test Reference: Frames 3-11 - 3-13

2. 209
   Test Reference: Frame 3-15

3. 62km
   Test Reference: Frames 3-21 - 3-25

4. two
   Test Reference: Frames 3-28 - 3-32

5. no, 14% + grades are shown as: 
   Test Reference: Frame 3-34

6. c, width constriction
   Test Reference: Frames 3-40 - 3-45

7. 4.3m
   Test Reference: Frame 3-98

8. it is less than 4.3m
   Test Reference: Frame 3-96

9. no. The width also must be underlined, because it is less than 8m.
   Test Reference: Frame 3-42

10. four: tunnel #1, bridges #1 and #3, width constriction on road
    Test Reference: Frame 3-42

11. two, the underpass and the width constriction, under 6m.
    Test Reference: Frame 3-42

12. bypass impossible
    Test Reference: Frame 3-67

13. yes, #3
    Test Reference: Frame 3-65

14. right bank
    Test Reference: Frames 3-75, 3-76

15. 1.1 m/sec
    Test Reference: Frame 3-81

16. yes, Z indicates a fair weather road; the Y in the ford symbol means significant seasonal variations which usually prevent all weather use of the route.
    Test Reference: Frames 3-81, 3-110

17. Change the military load classification from 50 to 30, the class of bridge #3. The lowest class is always used.
    Test Reference: Frame 3-114
LESSON 4

RECONNAISSANCE REPORT FORMS

CREDIT HOURS................................................................. 2

TEXT ASSIGNMENT......................................................... Attached programmed text.

LESSON OBJECTIVES....................................................... Upon completion of this lesson, you will be able to record the information gathered during a deliberate reconnaissance mission on the appropriate DA forms for roads, bridges, tunnels, fords, and ferries. As part of the road reconnaissance report, you will be able to summarize the classification of a road by means of a road classification formula.

________________________________________________________

TURN TO PAGE 4-3 FOR FRAME 4-1.
The side elevation shows the general features of the bridge. These include the number of spans, piers, and abutments, their type and construction material. Critical dimensions, such as span length, height above streambed, water level, and panel length, are also noted.

The general features of the bridge are depicted in the ________________________________

________________________________________________________

(type; methods; instruments; compass) (4-84)

FRAME 4-85.

The Ford Reconnaissance Report DA Form ____________________________, provides information to ___________________ and ___________________ a ford. It also tabulates in detail the ______________________ of the crossing.
In previous lessons of this subcourse, you learned about the various elements which make up a route, and the preparation of the Engineer Reconnaissance Report, DA Form 1711-R, and route reconnaissance overlays. You also learned that deliberate reconnaissance is performed when there are sufficient time and skilled personnel to examine thoroughly each element. It is during deliberate reconnaissance missions that special reconnaissance report forms, each dealing with one component of a route, are prepared. These forms are available for roads, bridges, tunnels, fords, and ferries. This lesson will familiarize you with the information reported on each of these forms.

(No, the prefix "A" is used) (4-28)

FRAME 4-29.

What do the two figures for width represent?  

(No, the prefix "A" is used) (4-28)
The critical span is the span with the least load-carrying capacity. It is sketched in cross section which shows details of construction.

In the next six items, the ford is described in detail. The description includes the composition of the bottom, nature and slope of the approaches, type of pavement (if any), the width of the ford, and any hazards that might exist.

Items 12 through 17 provide a ________________________ of the ford.
The purpose of road reconnaissance is to determine the classification of the road; that is, the quantity and kinds of loads that a road can accommodate in its present condition.

To determine the classification of a road by road reconnaissance, you must find out the ___________________ and ______________________________ of loads that a road can accommodate in its present condition.

______________________________________________________________

(width of traveled way and combined width of traveled way and shoulders) (4-29)

Does this road have the same surface material throughout?
In the cross section of the critical span, construction details such as width of span, type and materials of construction, and structural design, are included. These provide a basis for computation of the military load classification, and for determining maintenance, reinforcement, and demolition requirements.

Construction details shown in the sketch of the __________________________ help to determine military requirements with regard to the bridge.

The remaining space on the front of Form 1251 is reserved for remarks. Here are entered any other pertinent data not recorded elsewhere on the report.

Other pertinent data about the ford are entered in the space for ______________________________ on the front of DA Form ______________________________.
Road classification is an important part of route selection. It also is used to update existing maps.

Two important uses for road classification information are ______________________________ selection and _________________________ existing maps.

(No - The first six miles are bitumen-penetrated macadam, the remaining ten miles are bituminous or asphaltic concrete) (4-30)

The road reconnaissance report, DA Form ___________________________________, is used to provide both ___________________________ and ________________________ information about a road and to summarize the roads characteristics and condition in a road classification ________________________________.
Also sketched in **cross-section** are critical members, which are shown in enough detail to provide a basis for strength calculations.

Critical members are also sketched in __________________________  __________________________.

Other data recorded under "Remarks" may include, when pertinent, a description of approach road, guide markers, depth gages, availability of and distances to bypasses and alternate crossings, and a other pertinent information.

In the space reserved for remarks are entered __________________________  __________________________  __________________________ about the ford.
The information obtained during a road reconnaissance mission is recorded on DA Form 1248, Road Reconnaissance Report.

The Road Reconnaissance Report, DA Form ____________________________, is used to record ____________________________ information.
The site plan sketch is a graphic portrayal of the location and alinement of the bridge with relation to the obstacle spanned. It also includes the location of unusual nearby features, direction of stream flow, characteristics of the approaches, and topographic data about the obstacle as needed.

The site plan is a _______________________ of the bridge and the obstacle it crosses.

On the front of DA Form 1251, Ford Reconnaissance Report, the ford is ______________________________ , ______________________________ and described. Also recorded are the ______________________________ of the crossing and other pertinent data.
The load bearing capacity of roads is determined by ______________________  _______________________. This information is needed in the selection of ___________________________ and to _________________. It is recorded on DA Form 1248.

Hasty bridge reconnaissance is performed to acquire limited bridge information necessary for immediate tactical use.

Tactical needs are met by the limited bridge information obtained by ______________________________ bridge reconnaissance.
The reverse side of DA Form 1249, bridge reconnaissance report, contains ____________________________ which depict side __________________________ of the critical span and members, and a ____________________________ plan.

Sketches of a profile of the ford and a site plan are drawn on the reverse side of DA Form 1251, as shown in the example in Panel 4-8.

The reverse side of DA Form 1251 provides space for ____________________________ of the ford.
FRAME 4-6.

Refer to Panel 4-1 and 4-2. These illustrate the front and reverse sides of a sample road reconnaissance report. Notice that there is a heading and four sections. How many sections deal primarily with road information?

____________________________________

(hasty) (4-33)

FRAME 4-34

The bridge symbols shown on the route reconnaissance overlay (see Lesson 3, Set 3-5) express the limited bridge data obtained by a hasty bridge reconnaissance.

When a hasty bridge reconnaissance is conducted, the information obtained is recorded by ______________________ on the ______________________ ______________________ ______________________.
Tunnel reconnaissance obtains essential information about underground galleries, or portions of roads or railroads that have manmade covers, such as snow-sheds.

Underground or covered portions of roads or railroads are the subject of ________________________________ ________________________________ .

The profile sketch indicates the water level, and an elevation of the stream bottom and approaches.

The water level, stream bottom and approaches are sketched in the ________________________________ .
Sections I through IV are principally devoted to specific information about the road itself. The **heading**, which appears at the top of the front of the form, gives the names of the reconnaissance party leader, the destination of the report, map reference, and date/time of the information.

Information which identifies the road classification mission and the personnel who ordered and accomplished it is contained in the ______________________________ at the top of Form 1248.

**Deliberate** bridge reconnaissance procedures, which provide data in sufficient detail for structural analysis, are undertaken when the military load classification of a bridge must be calculated, or the bridge must be repaired or demolished.

When bridge data is needed in sufficient detail for structural analysis, a ______________________________ bridge reconnaissance is performed.
(tunnel reconnaissance) (4-63)

FRAME 4-64. INFORMATION FRAME.

In Lesson 3 we discussed the tunnel symbol used on the route reconnaissance overlay (see Frames 3-92 to 3-101). This symbol contains the essential tunnel information which must be reported, including the serial number, location, overhead clearance, width, length, and bypass conditions. When more detailed information is needed, a deliberate reconnaissance is performed and the information obtained is recorded on the Tunnel Reconnaissance Report, DA Form 1250.

(profile) (4-91)

FRAME 4-92.

The site plan gives the alinement of the ford and its approaches with respect to the stream. Any critical terrain features near the banks are shown if they will affect the use of the ford. The north arrow and the direction of flow of the stream are always indicated.

The alinement of the ford and its approaches are sketched in the ____________________________
______________________________.
As you can see, Section I presents the general information about the road which was reconnoitered.

General road information obtained in a road reconnaissance mission is reported in ______________________ __________________________________________ of DA Form ____________________ .

The bridge reconnaissance report, DA Form 1249, is the means by which the detailed bridge data obtained by reconnaissance is recorded.

Detailed bridge data is recorded on DA Form ____________________ , ____________________ ____________________ report.
Refer to Panels 4-5 and 4-6. These illustrate the front and reverse sides of a sample tunnel reconnaissance report, DA Form 1250. This form is used to report detailed tunnel information, during either a route reconnaissance mission, or a mission intended only to investigate the tunnel.

Detailed tunnel information is reported on DA Form ____________________________ .

Additional space for remarks is provided below the sketches. Photographs are taken if possible, and attached here.

What observation about the ford was made in Panel 4-8 by the reconnaissance officer?
(Section I; 1248) (4-8)

FRAME 4-9.

The general information recorded in Section I includes the UTM grid coordinates of the limit of the reconnaissance, the route designation, length in either kilometer or miles, and the upper and lower limits of the traveled way width. What is the width of roadway shown on the sample report? _____________________________

(1249, bridge reconnaissance) (4-36)

FRAME 4-37.

It is not always necessary, even in a deliberate reconnaissance, to investigate every element related to bridges. The nature of the mission dictates the elements to be reported. For example, load class and overhead clearance are not needed for demolition.

The amount and extent of bridge data reported depends upon the __________________________ for the __________________________ for which the reconnaissance is performed.
The heading of the tunnel reconnaissance report is brief, serving only to record the destination of the report, the name, rank, and unit the reconnaissance officer, and the date.

In the tunnel reconnaissance report, the date, destination and originator of the report are found in the ____________________________ .

(To carry loads over 10 tons, stream bottom must be repaired) (4-93)

The reverse side of DA Form 1251 contains space for ____________________________ of a ____________________________ . Space is also provided for additional ____________________________ .
Since the road width varies, the widest and narrowest limits are shown, and the points of change must be indicated on the reverse side of the form. Note also that the weather is described, especially the time of the last rainfall. This can influence the evaluation of drainage and other road characteristics.

The grid coordinates, length, width, weather conditions and other information is found in Section I.
The remaining blocks on both the front and reverse of the form are numbered, and grouped to provide specific detailed information about the tunnel. The first group, items 1 through 11, identify and locate the tunnel.

The tunnel is ____________________________ and located in the first group of ___________________ blocks.

(sketches; profile; site plan; remarks) (4-94)

Set 4-5. FERRY RECONNAISSANCE REPORT

FRAME 4-95.

The Ferry Reconnaissance Report, DA Form 1252, is used to record detailed information concerning a ferry or ferry site.

When detailed information about a ferry is required, the Ferry Reconnaissance Report, DA Form ________________, is used.
The road reconnaissance mission and personnel involved in it are identified in the _______________ of DA Form _______________. Section I provides ____________________________ information about the road.

FRAME 4-39. INFORMATION FRAME.

Refer to panels 4-3 and 4-4. These are samples of the front and reverse sides of the Bridge Reconnaissance Report, DA Form 1249. On Panel 4-3, note that the heading is similar to that on the road reconnaissance report, providing information about the mission and mission personnel. The body of the form is divided into eight columns of Essential Bridge Information, which is required. Space is available for additional bridge information, the items of which are added as needed. In the sample, columns have been added for military load classification, overall length, roadway width, vertical clearance, and bypass possibilities.
Positive identification of the tunnel, and its general and specific location, are established by reporting the route number and location, the map reference, the grid coordinates and serial number of the tunnel, its location with reference to the nearest town, its type, and geographic reference name.

In the hypothetical tunnel reconnaissance report in Panel 4-5, how far is tunnel T-1 from the nearest town?

The ferry symbol, shown on the route reconnaissance overlay (see Frames 3-86 to 3-91) provides the minimum essential information about a ferry, such as is obtained during a hasty reconnaissance.

The minimum essential information about a ferry is shown on the route reconnaissance overlay by the ferry
Detailed information about the alinement, surface, drainage and foundation of the road is recorded in Section II.

Section II of DA Form 1248 records the ________________________________ information about the road.

The bridge is identified in Column 1 by the serial number used on the route reconnaissance overlay. Bridge location is reported in Column 2 by UTM grid coordinates.

The serial number, shown in Column ___________________ serves to _______________________________ the bridge. In Column 2 the bridge location is indicated by _______________________________ _______________________________ _______________________________.
The tunnel reconnaissance report, DA Form _____________________________, provides detailed information about tunnels. The first group of entries serves to positively ___________________________ and ___________________________ the tunnel.

The detailed information obtained during a deliberate reconnaissance is shown on DA Form 1252, Ferry Reconnaissance Report.

The Ferry Reconnaissance Report, DA Form _____________________________ , provides ___________________________ information about ferries.
Notice that in each of the five categories in this section, there is a choice of several descriptions of road conditions. The party leader selects the one that applies to the road being reconnoitered. What was reported about the alinement of the road?

(1; identify; UTM grid coordinates) (4-40)

In Column 3, the horizontal clearance is indicated. To determine horizontal clearance, you measure the distance between the inside edges of the bridge 30 centimeters (12 inches) above the surface of the traveled way.

Measuring the horizontal distance between the inside edges of the bridge gives you the ____________________________, which is reported in Column ____________________.
The overall dimensions and alignment of the tunnel are recorded in the next group of blocks, items 12 through 17. These include length, roadway width (or number of tracks), horizontal and vertical clearances, % grade, if any, and, if the tunnel is curved, the radius of the curve.

In items 12 through 17, the overall ______________________________ and ___________________________ of the tunnel are reported.

FRAME 4-98. INFORMATION FRAME.

Refer to Panel 4-9 and 4-10. These represent the front and reverse sides of a sample DA Form 1252, Ferry Reconnaissance Report. The form is similar in format to the other reconnaissance report forms, and is designed to provide a complete description of both the ferry and its terminals and approaches on the front side, and necessary sketches on the reverse.
**FRAME 4-14.**

In each case, the choices cover any possible road condition that would affect the movement of military traffic from the standpoint of **alignment**, **drainage**, **foundation**, and **surface**. By checking the appropriate item in each category, the party leader provides complete, uniform, and detailed information about the road.

The detailed road information in Section II describes the _________________, and _________________ of the road.

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**FRAME 4-42.**

Any horizontal clearance less than the minimum width listed in Table 2, p. 12 of Appendix I, is **underlined**. Unlimited horizontal clearance is indicated by the symbol for infinity (∞).

Horizontal clearance is considered an obstruction and is therefore _________________ when it is less than the minimum width specified for the bridge class and traffic flow.
Construction characteristics, such as the type of lining and portal material, ventilation, and drainage are entered in the next four boxes.

What types of materials were used in the construction of the tunnel described by Panel 4-5?
In Section III, obstructions are listed and described. The five types of obstructions we learned about in Lesson 3 are reported here when they occur, located by grid coordinates, with reference to additional reports when necessary.

Section III of the Road Reconnaissance Report contains a list of ________________________________ .

Underbridge clearance, shown in Column 4, is the minimum clear distance between the underside of the bridge and the surface of the ground or water at mean level. Mean water level can be determined from gaging-station records, observation of high and low water marks, or information gained from local inhabitants.

The distance between the underside of the bridge and the surface of the ground or water below, called the ________________________________ ______________________ , is entered in Column ______________________ .
The remaining blocks on the front of DA Form 120 are used to record special information about the tunnel which can influence military use of it. The items include demolition chambering, age and condition of tunnel, bypass possibilities, approaches, restrictions, and other data pertinent to maintenance, improvement, or safety.

How old was the tunnel at the time the report illustrated by Panel -5 was made?

____________________ .

The first 11 items of the report provide information which positively identifies and locates the specific ferry which is being reported. They specify the route, map reference, grid coordinates, ferry number, military load classification, nearest town, and the name of the water barrier it crosses.

In the first 11 items of the report, the ferry is positively ________________________________ and ________________________________ .
We note in the sample list of obstructions in Panel 4-1 that the party leader reported an obstruction that was in addition to the five types which we discussed in Lesson 3. What was this unusual obstruction?

______________________________

The first four columns of the body of the bridge reconnaissance report ___________________________ the bridge by serial number, ___________________________ it by grid coordinates, and list both the ___________________________ and ___________________________ clearances.
Items recorded in the remaining blocks of the front of DA Form 1250 provide detailed information about the length, width and other ________________________________, construction __________________________, and ___________________________ needed by military users.

The Ferry Reconnaissance Report is similar to the other reconnaissance reports in that it has a brief ________________________________ which lists the origin and destination of the report, and a group of items (1 through 11) which serve to ___________________________ and ___________________________ the ferry which is the subject of the report.
The road crater is further described in the Reconnaissance Report #1, as noted in the remarks column of Section II. The Reconnaissance Report is made on DA Form 1711-R, which we learned about in Lesson 2. What important feature of Form 1711-R led to its use in reporting the crater? (hint: refer to Panel 2-2)

The remaining 4 columns provide data on the bridge spans, including number of identical spans, type of construction and material, length, condition, and if the span is over water (W).

Columns 5 through 8 provide information on the bridge ________________________________ .
Refer to Panel 4-6. This is the reverse side of DA Form 1250, Tunnel Reconnaissance Report, and contains sketches relating to the tunnel. The spaces provided are "cross-hatched" with evenly spaced lines to facilitate sketching.

The reverse side of DA Form 1250 is used for ________________________________ of the tunnel.

In item 12, any limiting features are entered which might affect ferry operations. These include such factors as the condition of vessels or terminals, floods, low water, freezing, tides, and similar data. What limiting feature was reported about Ferry No. 1 in the sample report shown in Panel 4-9? ________________________________
(work estimate) (4-17)

FRAME 4-18.

To repair or bypass a road crater of this size, it is logical to assume the need for engineer effort, and therefore, a work estimate. The reverse side of Form 1711-R provides for work estimates when necessary. What other documents were prepared in connection with this reconnaissance?

_________________________________
_________________________________
_________________________________
_________________________________

(spans) (4-45)

FRAME 4-46.

When there is more than one span to be described, they are listed in sequence starting from the west. If the bridge runs due north and south, the spans are listed from the north and the letter N precedes the number of spans.

If the bridge has more than one span, they are listed in sequence starting from the ________________ .
A **plan** and **profile** are sketched in the first of the spaces provided. The plan includes the position of the tunnel, approaches, alinement, and any nearby terrain features of importance. The profile shows the gradients of the approaches, and of the tunnel itself.

The first sketch on the reverse side of DA Form _________________________ is a ______________________ and ______________________ .

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The **crossing** is **described** in items 13 through 15, including the water levels, crossing time and length of the course.

Items 13 through 15 provide a ______________________ of the ______________________ .
Section II of DA Form 1248 contains the _______________________________ information about the rod, such as alinement, drainage, foundation, and _______________________________. Section III contains a list of _______________________________.

Refer to page 6 of Appendix I. Note that in the illustration of typical bridge spans, a number is used to identify each type of bridge span construction. The appropriate number is shown in Column 6 of the report.

A coded number is used to identify the type of span _______________________________.

(overlay, bridge report, ford report) (4-18)

FRAME 4-19.

FRAME 4-47.

(west) (4-46)
The portal view shows the mouth of the tunnel, and the material of which it is constructed. It may also show a limited section of the approach route.

The mouth of the tunnel is sketched in the ________________________________ view.

The pertinent design features of the vessel(s) are recorded in item 16. This information includes the number and construction type of units, the method and power propulsion, length, beam, draft, gross and net tonnage, and capacity.

The next item records in detail the pertinent design features of the ________________________________.
FRAME 4-20.

Refer to Panel 4-2. This is the reverse side of DA Form 1248, and contains Section IV, the mileage chart, which is a schematic portrayal of the road in which the relative positions of items not shown elsewhere are located along the route, and the road classification formula or formulas are indicated.

Section IV, on the reverse side of DA Form 1248, contains the ____________________________ chart.

FRAME 4-48.

Beneath the illustration of typical bridge spans, there is a list of span construction material, with a lower case letter code for each type. The appropriate letter is shown in Column 7 of the report.

A lower case letter or letters is shown in Column 7 to indicate the ________________________________ of the span.
The cross section of the tunnel bore shows in detail the allowable traffic width, the shape of the bore, and possible man-made or natural obstructions.

Details about the shape of the bore itself are shown in the ___________________________.

The group of blocks which make up item 17 are devoted to a description of the terminals and the approaches. The geographic directions of the banks are circled. Other entries record the names of the terminals, the dimensions and capacities of the slips, and a description of the docking facilities. Highway approaches are described to surface, lanes, and military load classification. If the ferry is for railroads, the number of backs and sidings are entered.

Item 17 provides a detailed description of the ___________________________ and ___________________________.

4-42
The mileage chart provides for measurements in miles, on one side of the chart, and kilometers on the other, reading from the bottom up. Which unit of measurement was used in the hypothetical mission repotted on the sample chart in panel 4-2?

In Column 8, the span length is recorded, together with special information about bridge conditions. If the span is not usable, the letter X is placed after the span length. If the span is over water, the letter W follows the span length.

Column 8 records the span _____________________ and special _____________________, if any.
The reverse side of DA Form 1250 contains which include a plan, a view, and a of the bore.

The remaining space on the front of DA Form 1252 has been reserved for remark. They may include obstructions, navigational aids, possible alternate crossings, and other pertinent data not recorded elsewhere.

The remarks space is used for not recorded elsewhere.
The road classification is indicated by a formula, placed on the side of the chart with the selected unit of measurement. The other side may be used for notations of critical features or conditions along the road, such as the road intersections, turnoff, and built-up area shown on the sample.

Section IV, the mileage chart, contains both the road classification and other critical features along the road.
The ford reconnaissance symbol, which you learned about in frames 3-73 through 3-85, is shown on the route reconnaissance overlay to provide minimum essential information about fords. When more detailed information is needed concerning a specific ford, especially during a deliberate reconnaissance, DA Form 1251, Ford Reconnaissance Report, is used.

The detailed ferry information reported on DA Form 1252 includes______________________________________________________________ which may effect ferry operations, and complete descriptions of the________________________, the________________________, and the________________________ and approaches.
The road classification formula for each section of the road is placed in its appropriate position along the chart, with the extent of the section indicated by limiting lines. In Panel 4-2, how many road classification formulas were needed to describe the conditions along the entire route?

a. one
b. three
c. six

The right side of the body of the bridge reconnaissance report has been left blank, providing space for the addition of columns, as needed to provide more information on the bridge itself, its approaches, or the obstacle it crosses.

Additional bridge information, where required, is reported by ________________________________ column in the blank space provided.
Refer to Panels 4-7 and 4-8. These illustrate the front and reverse of a sample DA Form 1251, in which a hypothetical ford was reported. Notice that this form is similar to the tunnel reconnaissance report in that it has a brief heading, to address the report, and a series of numbered items which provide the necessary information about the ford.

DA Form 1251 provides detailed information about ________________________________

(limiting features; crossing; vessel; terminals) (4-107)

On the reverse side of DA Form 1252 (see Panel 4-10), space is provided for sketches of the route alignment and the two terminals.

A route alignment plan and views of the two ferry terminals are shown by ____________________________ on the reverse side of DA Form ____________.
Section IV, the _______________________ chart, contains the road classification ______________________ and ______________________ of critical features along the road.

In the sample report shown in Panel 4-3, the information usually shown by bridge symbols on the reconnaissance overlay has been added to the bridge reconnaissance report. This includes military load class, overall length, width of traveled way, overhead clearance, and bypass possibilities.

Does the overhead clearance on any of the bridges represent an obstruction? ______________________
The data recorded in items one through ten are designed to provide positive identification of the ford, and its exact location.

The first ten items of the Ford Reconnaissance Report, DA Form 1251, indicate the ___________________ and ___________________ of the ford.

The route alinement plan shows the geographic position of the ferry course and the positions of the approaches to the sips. A north arrow and the direction of flow (if the water barrier is a stream) are shown, together with any obstructions or navigational aids.

The geographic position of the ferry course and its approaches are sketched in the ___________________ ___________________ ___________________.
The road classification formula is similar to the route classification formula shown on the overlay in that it is expressed as a **standardized sequence** of coded components which describes the road conditions.

The road classification formula is expressed in a ________________________________ of coded components.

Bypass of bridge #2 is reported as possible, but difficult. What other information has been reported about bridge #2, besides the low overhead clearance, that makes bypass possibilities of critical importance.
The ford is specifically identified by its serial number and further identified by locating it with respect to the route on which it occurs, the map sheet on which it falls, its grid coordinates, the nearest town, and the stream it crosses.

Information listed in items 1 through 10 of DA Form ____________________________ , Ford Reconnaissance Report both ___________________________ and ______________________________ the ford.

A separate sketch is made of each terminal, including the banks, and details of the slips, ramps, and bumper piles.

Two separate sketches provide detailed views of the two _________________________________. 

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FRAME 4-26. INFORMATION FRAME.

Refer to pages 8 and 9 of Appendix I. Here are listed the seven components of the road classification formula, the coded symbols used for some of them, the characteristics they represent, and the correct sequence for showing the components. The road classification formula tells the user whether or not there are limiting characteristics, and if so what they are; width of both roadway alone and roadway with shoulders; road surface material; length, when deemed appropriate; the existence of obstructions; and special conditions when they occur. When conditions along the road change, a separate formula for this section of road is composed, with its limits indicated on the mileage chart.

(one span not usable) (4-53)

FRAME 4-54.

The "X" shown after the span length of one of the concrete slab spans indicates that damage has rendered this span not usable. Unless it can be repaired, bypass will be necessary to movement of military traffic.

What is meant by the infinity symbol ∞ shown in the overhead clearance column for bridges 1 and 3?
The next item, 11, tabulates the characteristics of the crossing. These characteristics include the **width** and **depth** of the crossing, and the velocity of the stream at the present water level and at low, mean, and high level. The date and season for each of these is also given.

The characteristics of the crossing include __________________________ and ______________________ of the crossing, and the __________________________ of the stream.

The detailed information reported on the Ferry Reconnaissance Report is completed by the ______________ included on the reverse side. These portray the ______________ ______________, and a separate view of each ______________.
In Panel 4-2, refer to the road classification formula for the first six kilometers of the road (remember to read from the bottom-up). The prefix tells us that there are limiting characteristics. What are the limiting characteristics for this section of road?

(overhead clearance unlimited) (4-54)

Space has been provided on the right side of the bridge reconnaissance report for____________________
____________________ when required.

4-55
Stream widths can be determined by actual measurements using a tape or rope, or by surveying methods and instruments. An expedient method of determining approximate stream width, requiring only a compass, is illustrated on page A-14 of Appendix I.

Stream widths can be measured with a ______________________, by surveying ______________________ and ______________________, or by using a ______________________ to construct a 45° right triangle.

We have now discussed all of the five special purpose reconnaissance report forms available to engineers performing a deliberate route reconnaissance. Can you match the correct DA Form numbers with the reports listed below?

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(sharp curves, steep gradients, poor drainage, rough surface. Foundation material is unknown) (4-27)

FRAME 4-28.

Are there any limiting characteristics in the second stretch of road? __________________________________________

________________________________________

________________________________________

TURN BACK TO BOTTOM OF PAGE 4-3 FOR FRAME 4-29

(additional bridge information) (4-55)

FRAME 4-56.

Sketches are drawn in the graphed area on the back of DA Form 1249 (Panel 4-4), to depict a side elevation, cross section of the critical span and members, and a site plan.

The reverse side of DA Form 1249 provides space for various ___________________________ of the bridge and its site.

TURN BACK TO TOP OF PAGE 4-2 FOR FRAME 4-57
(1251; 1248; 1252; 1250; 1249) (4-112)

END OF FRAMES
# Panel 4-1. Road Reconnaissance Report - DA Form 1248 Front.

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<td>UT 122869</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>Steep Grade - 8°6' Uphill East</td>
<td>UT 125876</td>
<td>Length 766 m</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Narrow Bridge - Traveled Way 5.5 m</td>
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<td>See Bridge Rpt #1</td>
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(AA Form 1248) This Panel is Obsolete.
PANEL 4-2. Mileage Chart - DA Form 1248: Reverse.

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<th>WEATHERED MATERIAL</th>
<th>LENGTH AND CONDITION</th>
<th>MILITARY LOAD CLASSIFICATION</th>
<th>OVERALL LENGTH</th>
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PANEL 4-4. Bridge Reconnaissance Sketches - DA Form 1249 reverse.

\[
(N)(m) = \text{Moment} \\
N = 6 \\
m = 160 \\
M = (6)(160) = 960 \text{ Kips}
\]
TUNNEL RECONNAISSANCE REPORT

DATE: 14 JUNE 1973

TO: (Headquarters ordering reconnaissance)
FROM: (Name, grade and unit of reconnaissance officer)
ATT: S2

CO: 21ST. EBC (21ST INF. DIV.)
John H. Doe 1/LT. CO. A 21ST EBC

1. ROUTE OR LINE
   2. FROM (Initial Point)
   3. TO (Terminal Point)
   4. DATE/TIME OF SIGNATURE

   VIRGINIA 617
   ROUTE OR LINE
   RAILROAD
   UT 122864
   UT 077899
   UT 150869
   UT 098888
   UT 077899
   UT 150869
   UT 098888
   T-1

5. MAP SERIES NR
   6. SHEET NUMBER
   7. GRID REFERENCE
   8. TUNNEL NUMBER

   V734
   5561-III
   UT 150869
   UT 098888

9. LOCATION FROM NEAREST TOWN
   DISTANCE
   DIRECTION
   NAME OF NEAREST TOWN

   16.5 Km. NORTHWEST
   FT. BELVOIR, VIRGINIA

10. TYPE (Subsequent, Rock, Soil)
   ROCK

11. NAME (Mountain or Water feature)
   ACCOTINK MTS.

12. LENGTH
   N/A
   7.5 m.

13. NUMBER OF TRACKS
   N/A
   7.5 m.

14. ROADWAY WIDTH

15. CLEARANCE

16. GRADE (Percent)

17. ALIGNMENT (Straight or radius of curve)
   STRAIGHT

18. LINING (Material)

19. PORTALS (Material)

20. VENTILATION (Type)
   NATURAL

21. DRAINAGE
   EXCELLENT

22. CHAMBERED FOR DEMOLITION
   YES

23. COMPLETED (Feet)
   1968

24. CONDITION (Check appropriate box)
   EXCELLENT

25. BYPASSABILITY
   EASY

26. ALTERNATE CROSSING
   BACKLICK ROAD TO SHIRLEY HWY.

27. APPROACHES
   FAIR (4%)

28. IN-TUNNEL RESTRICTIONS
   NONE

29. GEOLOGIC DATA
   LIMESTONE

DA FORM 1250
1 JAN 90

PANEL 4-5. Tunnel Reconnaissance Report - DA Form 1250: front.

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PANEL 4-6. Tunnel Reconnaissance Sketches - DA Form 1250: reverse.

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**FORD RECONNAISSANCE REPORT**

**DATE:** 14 JUNE 1973

**COMMANDING OFFICER:**
- **ATTN:**
- **S2 21st ENGR (21st INF DIV)**
- **FORD NUMBERS:**
- **DATE/TIME:** 14 JUNE 1973

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**REMARKS:**
- **NO DEPTH GAGE**

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**PANEL 4-7. Ford Reconnaissance Report - DA Form 1251: front.**
TO CARRY LOADS OVER 20 TON - STREAM BOTTOM MUST BE REPAIRED.
FERRY RECONNAISSANCE REPORT

DATE: 14 JUN 1973

TO: (Headquarters ordering reconnaissance)
COMMANDING OFFICER, ATTN:
SR: 21ST ENGR BN (21ST INF DIV)
FROM: (Name, grade and unit of reconnaissance officer)
JOHN H. DOE 1/CT CO A 21st ENGR BN

1. ROUTE OR LINE
   HIGHWAY
   RAILROAD
   VA 617 N/A LORTON, VA
   2. MAP SERIES NR
   3. SHEET NUMBER
   V 734 5567-III
   4. ORG REFERENCE
   5. GRID REFERENCE
   HOBUS, MD
   6. FERRY NR
   7. FERRY NR
   8. CLASS

10. LOCATION FROM NEAREST TOWN
   DISTANCE
   DIRECTION
   NAME OF NEAREST TOWN
   8.6 KM EAST LORTON, VA
   POTOMAC RIVER

11. CROSSING (Name of stream or body of water)

12. LIMITING FEATURES (Conditions of vessels, terminals, floods, low water, freezing, tides etc.) (Season and Dates)

CAPACITY OF LANDING - LITTLE RENO

13. WATER LEVELS (Depths)
   LOW
   MEAN
   HIGH
   3.2 m
   4.7 m
   7.6 m

14. CROSSING TIME
   11 MINUTES

15. LENGTH
   1.0 KM

16. VESSEL FEATURES (Attach photographs)

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<th>PROPULSION METHOD</th>
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17. TERMINAL FEATURES

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18. REMARKS (Specify above details. Note obstructions, navigational and other pertinent data)}
PANEL 4-10. Ferry Reconnaissance Sketches - DA Form 1252: reverse.

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SELF-TEST

LESSON 4

First requirement. From the information contained in the following situation, fill out both sides of DA Form 1248 (figs 4-1 and 4-2) as the reconnaissance officer would have done. Then, referring to the form and to the situation, answer exercises 1 through 6.

NOTE: The mileage chart on DA Form 1248 measures 16 kilometers in all. On a map of 1:50,000 scale, 1 centimeter equals 0.5 kilometers.

Situation. At 0745 hours, 24 October 1972, the CO of the 33d Engineer Combat Battalion ordered Company B to submit a road reconnaissance report prior to 1700 hours on State Route 210 between grid coordinates 293152 and 262218 (These points are referenced to the PEMBERTON map, 1:50,000, sheet 6063 1). The anticipated traffic is single flow for wheeled vehicles.

CO, Company B, assigned the mission to LT W. B. Duke, who started his reconnaissance at 1000 hours at grid coordinates 293152. He completed his report at 1530 hours. During his reconnaissance, LT Duke made the following observations:

a. A light steady rain fell throughout the trip.

b. Both the base and surface of the road were gravel. While the foundation seemed to be firm, considering the recent continuous rain, the surface was badly rutted, and the surfacing gravel of the crown had sloughed to the shoulders over most of the route. The "washboard" ruts made vehicle operation difficult.

c. The steepest grade observed had a 5.5 percent slope.

d. One culvert in a marshy area (283178) 3.0 kilometers from the starting point had been demolished by explosives placed inside it. The resultant crater was hindering suitable drainage and was bypassed with difficulty by the reconnaissance vehicle. Otherwise, the ditches and culverts were effective under inclement conditions.

e. The traveled way was 5.5 meters with 1-meter shoulders over most of the route. From start to finish, the route reconnoitered was 8.0 kilometers long.

f. At coordinates 272184, which was 4.2 kilometers from the starting point, a concrete slab bridge was located. It was of reinforced construction, consisting of one 9-meter span, 3.8 meters over water. The horizontal clearance measured 6.8 meters; vertical clearance was unlimited. The military load classification was computed to be 60. Bypassing this bridge would be difficult.

g. At coordinates 266204, which was 66 kilometers from the starting point, there was an old timber-truss bridge. The military load classification was estimated to be 8. The bridge was 7.5 meters long; horizontal clearance was 2.5 meters; and vertical clearance was unlimited. This bridge could be bypassed easily.

h. Suitable turn-offs with concealment (scrub oak) were observed 1.3 kilometers and 5.5 kilometers from the starting point.

i. The measurements for determining the radius of the sharpest curve observed were as follows: chord length, 50 meters; perpendicular distance from the tape measuring the chord to the road center line, 2 meters.
**Figure 4-1. DA Form 1248, for exercises 1 through 4.**

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Figure 4-2. DA Form 1248 (reverse) for exercises 5 and 6.
Exercises:

1. What is your entry in Block 2 of DA Form 1248? _____________________________________________

2. Which number is checked in Block 9 on DA Form 1248? ________________________________

3. Which number is checked in Block 12b DA Form 1248? ________________________________

4. In Section III of DA Form 1248, how many obstructions are listed? ________________________

5. The mileage chart on the reverse side of DA Form 1248 should repeat the same symbol at points 1.3 and 5.5 kilometers from the starting point. Which of the symbols in figure 4-3 would be the correct one?

   a. A  c. C
   b. B  d. D

6. Which of the following represents the correct road classification formula to enter on the mileage chart on the reverse side of DA Form 1248?

   a. As 5.5/7.5 1 (8.0km) (OB)  c. Bs 5.5/7.5 1 (8.0km) (OB)
   b. Ags 5.5/7.5 (8.0km) (OB)  d. Bs 5.6/7.5 (8.0km) (OB)

Second Requirement. Exercises 7 8, 9, 10 and 11 are concerned with the procedures and symbols used to report bridge reconnaissance.

Situation. From the situation described above, fill out a Bridge Reconnaissance report, DA Form 1249 (figure 4-4) to provide the detailed information needed on the two bridges along the route. The bridge described in par. f of the situation is designated Bridge No. 1; the bridge described in par. g is Bridge No. 2.

7. What entry would you make in column 6 of DA Form 1249 for Bridge No. 1?

8. What entry would you make in column 7 of DA Form 1249 for Bridge No. 1?

9. In the column provided for additional information on DA Form 1249, what entry could you make, if any, regarding the military load class of Bridge No. 1? ________________________________
10. In reporting on Bridge No. 2, what entry would you make in column 6?  

______________________________________________________________________________________________

11. Column 7 contains the code for type of material. What entry would you make for bridge No. 2?

______________________________________________________________________________________________

Third Requirement. Exercises 12-15 are concerned with the reporting of information on tunnels, fords and ferries.

12. The description of bridge No. 2 in the situation notes that the bridge could be bypassed
Figure 4-4. DA Form 1249, for exercises 7 through 11.
easily. If the bypass consisted of a ford, what important information about the stream must the reconnaissance party obtain in order to fill out block 11 of the Ford Reconnaissance Report?

13. If a Ford Reconnaissance Report is added as a result of reporting on the bypass of Bridge No. 2, what change must be made to DA Form 1248?

14. Item 15 of the Tunnel Reconnaissance Report, DA Form 1250, is used to report the vertical and horizontal clearances in the tunnel. When measuring tunnel width for horizontal clearance, where is the measurement made?

   a. at traveled way level
   b. 30 inches or higher above traveled way
   c. 4 feet or higher above traveled way
   d. at widest height above traveled way

15. If you were preparing a classification formula for the route which included the ferry reported in Panel 4-9, what military load classification would you include in the formula?
SOLUTIONS TO SELF-TEST

LESSON 4

All references to Frames, Panels, and Appendix I are to the programmed text.

1. 24 1530 Oct 72.  Block 2 requires the date/time group of the signature.  LT Duke completed his reconnaissance at 1530 hours, 24 October 1972.  (situation)

2. #1.  Block requires information on road alinement.  Number 1 is checked since there were no steep gradients or sharp curves.  (situation)

3. f.  Block 12b describes the type of road surface, which is indicated as gravel in par. b of the situation.

4. Two: the crater at grid coordinates 283178, and the bridge at grid coordinates 266204.

5. c.  The situation states that there were two suitable turnoffs with concealment (scrub oak) at the two points in question.  The symbol for a turnoff with deciduous tree concealment is given on page 5 of Appendix I.

6. c.  Pages 8 and 9, Appendix I, and Frames 3-107 to 3-120 explain the composition of the road classification formula.  The letter "B" indicates that there are limiting characteristics.  The second letter "s" indicates that the limiting characteristic is route surface condition.  The width of the traveled way and shoulders is expressed as W5/7.5.  The letter "l" is used for roads that have a gravel surface.  The length of the road is 8.0km, and the presence of obstructions Is indicated by (OB).

7. 4.  Slab-type bridges are shown as number 4 on page 6 of Appendix I to the programmed text.

8. k.  The coded letter for concrete bridges is the letter "k".

9. 60.  The situation indicates that the military load class was computed to be 60.

10. 1.  The truss type of construction is coded as 1 on page 6 of Appendix I.

11. n.  The letter "n" represents wooden construction of any type.

12. The width, depth, and velocity of the stream at the present time, and during low, mean, and high water levels (Panel 4-7, programmed text).

13. The ford must be listed in Section III, since all fords are considered obstructions.  (frames 4-15; 3-73 (Lesson 3))

14. c.  Page 12 of Appendix I to the programmed text gives the specifications for measuring critical dimensions, including clearance for tunnels.

15. 40.  Item 9 of Panel 4-9 lists 40 as the class of the ferry.  Since it is lower than the class of either of the approaches listed in item 17, it would be used in the formula.  (page 8, App I; Panel 4-9)
**ENGINEER RECONNAISSANCE CARD**

**FM -5-36, JAN 1970**

**SUPERSEDES GTA 5-2-1, 1966**

REPORTS MUST BE COMPLETED ON TIME. INCOMPLETE INFORMATION, ON TIME MAY BE OF SOME VALUE; COMPLETE INFORMATION, RECEIVED TOO LATE, MAY BE USELESS.

**ENGINEER RECONNAISSANCE INFORMATION AS RECORDED ON DA FORM 1711-R**

### WHERE IS IT?
Give the LOCATION. (Grid coordinates)

### WHAT IS IT?
Give a clear, complete and concise description of the item reported. (Use sketch, standard symbols, and abbreviations where applicable).

### WHEN OBSERVED?
(Time)

### 1. OBSTACLES:
- To movement, natural and artificial, include demolitions, mines, booby traps.

### 2. ENGINEER MATERIALS:
- Particularly road material, bridge timber, lumber, steel, fill, gravel, explosives.

### 3. ENGINEER EQUIPMENT:
- Rock crushers, saw mills, garages, machine shops, abandoned enemy equipment, etc.

### 4. BIVOUAC AREAS:
- Access roads, soil, drainage, size, cover, concealment, fields of fire.

### 5. UTILITIES:
- Water, sewage, electricity, natural gas, pipe lines.

### 6. WATER POINTS:
- Recommended locations.

### 7. MAP ERRORS.

### 8. WORK ESTIMATES:
- For construction, repair, or removal of any item encountered on a reconnaissance.

#### CONVERSION FACTORS

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ROUTE RECONNAISSANCE OVERLAY

The route reconnaissance overlay is an accurate and concise report of conditions affecting traffic flow along a specified route, and is the preferred method of preparing a route reconnaissance report. If more detail is required to support the reconnaissance, then the overlay is supplemented with written reports describing the critical route characteristics in more detail.

Example of an overlay pertaining to a route from UT84500508 to UT87570514
# Symbols for Use in the Reconnaissance Report

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<td><img src="image" alt="Sharp Curve" /></td>
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<td><strong>Underpasses:</strong> Show shape of structure (OB) when overhead clearance is less than 4.25 m or when the traveled way is below the standards of Table 3, Page 12. See Note 4, and Sketch 1, Page 12. Note nowhere, refer to page 11.</td>
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<td><strong>Tunnel:</strong> (Includes manmade snowsheds). Show shape of structure (OB) when overhead clearance is less than 4.25 m or when the traveled way is below the standards of Table 3, Page 12. See Note 4.</td>
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- **Bypasses:** Are local alternate routes which enable traffic to avoid an obstruction. Bypasses are classified as **Easy**, **Difficult**, or **Impossible**. Each type bypass is represented symbolically on the line extending from the symbol to the map location and defined as follows:
  - **Bypass Easy:** The obstacle can be crossed within the immediate vicinity by a US 2.5 ton truck (or NATO equivalent) without work to improve the bypass.
  - **Bypass Difficult:** The obstacle can be crossed within the immediate vicinity, but some work will be necessary to prepare the bypass.
  - **Bypass Impossible:** The obstacle can only be crossed by one of the following methods:
    1. Repair of item; i.e., bridge
    2. New construction
    3. Detour using an alternate route which crosses the obstacle some distance away.

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21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

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A-3
### Symbol Descriptions

#### Railroad (RR) Level Grade Crossing:
- Pacing trains will interrupt traffic flow. The figure indicates overhead clearance.

#### Fords:
- All fords are considered as obstructions (OB) to traffic. Trafficability conditions shown in Table 4, Page 12.
  - **Type of Ford:**
    - V—Vehicular
    - P—Pedestrian
  - **Seasonal Limiting Factors:**
    - X—No seasonal limitation except for limited duration sudden flooding.
    - Y—Significant seasonal limitations.
  - **Approach Conditions:**
    - Difficult
    - Easy
  - **Nature of bottom:**
    - M—Mud
    - C—Clay
    - S—Sand
    - G—Gravel
    - R—Rock
    - P—Artificial Paving

#### Ferry:
- All ferries are considered as obstructions (OB) to traffic.
  - **Approach Conditions:**
    - Difficult
    - Easy
  - **Type of Ferry:**
    - V—Vehicular Ferry
    - P—Pedestrian Ferry

#### Limits of Sector:
- Limits of recommended sector or of route having the same road classification formula.

#### Route Designation:
- Civil or Military Route Designation. Written in parentheses along route.
### SYMBOL

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### SYMBOLS

- **3** or **5**
  - **3**: Proposal point
  - **5**: Prepared but passable obstacle
  - **X**: Completed obstacle

### WATER POINT FORMULA

\[ Q = (A \times V) \times (6.4) \]

- **Q**: Quantity of water in gal./min.
- **A**: Cross sectional area of water source
- **V**: Velocity of water in ft./min.
- **6.4**: Constant

\[ A = \frac{h \times (a+b)}{2} \]

\[ V = \frac{(60 \times \text{distance in feet})}{\text{time in seconds}} \]

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**A-5**
TYPICAL BRIDGE SPANS

Symbolized on Bridge Reconnaissance Report (DA Form 1249) by Number (Type of Construction) and Letter (Material of Construction).

Example: 3 ak = Beam type bridge constructed of reinforced concrete.

(1) TRUSS
(2) GIRDER
(3) BEAM
(4) SLAB
(5) ARCH (Closed Spandrel)
(6) ARCH (Open Spandrel)
(7) SUSPENSION
(8) FLOATING
(9) Use 9 for all other type span construction (i.e., swing, lift, cantilever, bascule). Specify on reconnaissance report by name.

Material Used in Span Construction
Steel or other metal  s
Concrete          k
Reinforced Concrete  ak
Pre-stressed Concrete  kk
Stone or Brick   p
Wood          n

(1) Spans which are not usable because of damage are symbolized by "s" placed after the dimension of span length.
(2) Spans which are over water are indicated by placing the symbol "W" also after the dimension of the span length.
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ROUTE CLASSIFICATION FORMULA

1. WIDTH: Narrowest width of the route expressed in meters or feet.

2. ROUTE TYPE: X, Y, or Z determined by the worst section of the route.
   
   TYPE X: ALL WEATHER ROUTE is any route which with reasonable maintenance is passable throughout the year to traffic never appreciably less than maximum capacity. The roads which form this type of route normally have waterproof surfaces and are only slightly affected by precipitation or temperature fluctuations. At no time is the route closed to traffic by weather effects other than temporary snow or flood blockage.

   TYPE Y: ALL WEATHER ROUTE (LIMITED TRAFFIC DUE TO WEATHER) is any route which with reasonable maintenance can be kept open in all weather but sometimes only to traffic considerably less than maximum capacity. The roads which form this type of route usually do not have waterproof surfaces and are considerably affected by precipitation or temperature fluctuations. Traffic may be completely halted for short periods. Heavy unrestricted use during adverse weather may cause complete collapse of the surface.

   TYPE Z: FAIR WEATHER ROUTE is any route which quickly becomes impassable in adverse weather and cannot be kept open by maintenance short of major construction. This category of route is so seriously affected by weather that traffic may be brought to a halt for long periods.

3. MILITARY ROUTE (LOAD) CLASSIFICATION: Normally, the lowest bridge military load classification number on the route determines the military load classification of the route. If no bridges occur then the worst section of the road governs the route load classification.

4. OBSTRUCTIONS (OB): Factors which restrict the type, amount, or speed of traffic flow, e.g., overhead clearances less than 4.3 m, reduction in the traveled way widths below the standards of Table 3, Page 12, gradients of 7% or greater, curves with radii less than or equal to 25 m forries, and fords.

5. SPECIAL CONDITIONS: Snow blockage (T) and flooding (W) are used when the condition is regular, recurrent, or serious.

EXAMPLES

6.7 m Y 30 Route is 6.7 m wide, limited all weather route with load carrying capacity of class 30 with no obstructions.

21 ft Z 10 (OB) (W) Route is 21 ft wide, fair weather route with load carrying capacity of class 10 and obstructions do exist. Route is subject to flooding.

10.5 m X 120 (OB) Route is 10.5 m wide, all weather route with load carrying capacity of 120. Obstructions do exist.

ROAD CLASSIFICATION FORMULA

The Road Classification Formula is expressed in a STANDARDIZED SEQUENCE of a Prefix, Limiting Characteristics if Present, Width of the Traveled Way/Combined Width of the Traveled Way and the Shoulders, Road Surface Material, Length if Desired, Obstructions if Present, and Special Conditions if Present.

1: 12,500 METERS
1. **PREFIX:** The formula is prefixed by the letter "A" if there are NO LIMITING CHARACTERISTICS. The letter "B" is the prefix if there are ANY LIMITING CHARACTERISTICS.

2. **LIMITING CHARACTERISTICS**

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   An unknown or undetermined characteristic is represented by a question mark following the symbol of the feature to which it refers, e.g., (?).

3. **WIDTH:** Width of the traveled way expressed in meters or feet followed by a slash and the combined width of the traveled way and the shoulders, e.g., 14/16 m.

4. **ROAD SURFACE MATERIAL:** Road surface material is expressed by a letter symbol as follows:

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<td>p</td>
<td>Paving brick or stone</td>
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<tr>
<td>rb</td>
<td>Bitumen-penetrated macadam water-bound macadam with superficial asphalt or tar cover.</td>
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<td>r</td>
<td>Waterbound macadam, crushed rock, or coral.</td>
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<td>i</td>
<td>Gravel or lightly metalized surface.</td>
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<td>nb</td>
<td>Bituminous surface treatment on natural earth, stabilized soil, sand-clay or other select material.</td>
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<td>Used when type of bituminous construction cannot be determined.</td>
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<td>v</td>
<td>Various other types not mentioned above (Indicate length when this symbol is used).</td>
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5. **LENGTH:** Length of road in km or miles may or may not be shown. If shown place in parentheses, e.g., (7.2 km).

6. **OBSTRUCTIONS:** Expressed as (OB) when existing on road, e.g., overhead clearances less than 4.3 m, reduction in the traveled way widths below the standards of Table 3, Page 12, gradients of 7% or greater, and curves with radii less than or equal to 50 m (100 ft).

7. **SPECIAL CONDITIONS:** Snow blockage (T) and flooding (W) are used when the condition is regular, recurrent, and serious.

**EXAMPLES**

**A 5.4/8.2 m k:** Road has no limiting characteristics with 5.4 m traveled way, combined width of 8.2 m traveled way and shoulder, and a concrete surface.

**B 9s 14/16 ft 1 (2.4 km) (OB):** Road has limiting characteristics of sharp curves, steep grades, and a rough surface condition; 14 ft of clear traveled way, 16 ft combined with shoulders; a gravelled or lightly metalized surface; 2.4 km length; obstructions are present.

**B 9s 17/3.2/4.8 m nb 4.3 km (OB) (T):** Road has limiting characteristics of sharp curves, steep grades, bad drainage, unknown foundation condition, and rough surface; 3.2 m wide traveled way, 4.8 m wide with shoulder; a bituminous surface treatment; 4.3 km long, and it contains obstructions. The road is subject to snow blockage.
BRIDGE RECONNAISSANCE SYMBOLS
FULL BRIDGE SYMBOLS
(NOTE 4)

MILITARY CLASS
SERIAL NUMBER (NOTE 1)
OVERHEAD CLEARANCE
OVERALL LENGTH
WIDTH OF TRAVELED WAY
BYPASS CONDITION
BRIDGE LOCATION

ONE WAY CLASS
ONE WAY TRAFFIC

TWO WAY CLASS
TWO WAY TRAFFIC

EXAMPLES

30
14 FT
12 FT

40
50
25 m

4 m
7.5 m

? 80
60
126 FT

10.5 m

80
100
100 m

10 m

A-10
ABBREVIATED BRIDGE SYMBOLS
(When used, overlay must be accompanied with DA Form 1249 or detailed report.)

Only the single flow traffic is represented in abbreviated bridge symbols.
For bridges with separate tracked and wheeled vehicle classification, only the lower classification is shown. If a bridge has more than one classification, number shown is asterisked (*), and full classification is shown in the accompanying report.

NOTE 1:
(Serial Numbers)
A SERIAL NUMBER IS ASSIGNED TO EACH BRIDGE, TUNNEL, FORD AND FERRY. SERIAL NUMBERS MUST NOT BE DUPLICATED ON ANY ONE MAP SHEET, OVERLAY OR DOCUMENT.

NOTE 2:
(Traveled Way Width)
IF SIDEWALKS EXIST AND WILL PERMIT THE PASSAGE OF WIDER VEHICLES, SYMBOLIZE THE SIDEWALKS AND RECORD THE WIDTH AS THE TRAVELED WAY/TOTAL WIDTH, I.E., (5.0/6.0M).

NOTE 3:
(Bank Orientation)
THE LEFT AND RIGHT BANK OF A STREAM ARE DETERMINED BY LOOKING IN THE DIRECTION OF THE CURRENT DOWNSTREAM. SPECIAL ATTENTION MUST BE PAID WHEN RECORDING APPROACH CONDITIONS ON THE SYMBOL, FOR PROPER ORIENTATION OF DESIGNATING THE LEFT AND RIGHT BANK.

NOTE 4:
(Critical Dimensions)
ANY OVERHEAD CLEARANCE OF A BRIDGE LESS THAN THE STANDARDS OF TABLE 1, PAGE 12 IS UNDERLINED. ANY WIDTH OF A ONE LANE BRIDGE WHICH IS LESS THAN THE STANDARDS OF TABLE 2, PAGE 12 IS UNDERLINED. THE TWO WAY CLASS OF ANY TWO LANE BRIDGE IS DOWNGRADED IF THE WIDTH OF THE BRIDGE IS LESS THAN THE STANDARDS OF TABLE 2, PAGE 12 THE WIDTH OF THE TRAVELED WAY OF TUNNELS OR UNDERPASSES WHICH IS LESS THAN THAT OF THE OUTSIDE ROUTE IS UNDERLINED.

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CRITICAL DIMENSIONS

TABLE 1 — MINIMUM OVERHEAD CLEARANCE FOR BRIDGES

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<th>Bridge classification</th>
<th>Minimum overhead clearance</th>
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<td>All classes</td>
<td>4.5m</td>
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TABLE 2 — MINIMUM LANE WIDTHS FOR BRIDGES

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<th>Bridge</th>
<th>Minimum width between curbs</th>
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<tr>
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<td>One lane (meters)</td>
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<tr>
<td>4-12</td>
<td>2.75 (9'-0&quot;)</td>
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<tr>
<td>13-30</td>
<td>3.35 (11'-0&quot;)</td>
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<td>31-60</td>
<td>4.00 (13'-2&quot;)</td>
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<tr>
<td>61-100</td>
<td>4.50 (14'-9&quot;)</td>
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TABLE 3 — ROUTE WIDTHS

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<th>Traffic flow possibilities</th>
<th>Widths for wheeled vehicles</th>
<th>Widths for tracked vehicles</th>
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<tr>
<td>Single flow</td>
<td>5.50 meters to 7 meters (18 ft to 23 ft)</td>
<td>6 meters to 8 meters (19½ ft to 26 ft)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Double flow</td>
<td>Over 7 meters (23 ft)</td>
<td>Over 8 meters (25 ft)</td>
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TABLE 4 — TRAFFICABILITY OF FORDS

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<th>Type of traffic</th>
<th>Shallow fordable depth (meters)</th>
<th>Minimum width (meters)</th>
<th>Maximum desirable slope for approaches</th>
<th>Symbol</th>
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<td>Foot</td>
<td>1 (39&quot;)</td>
<td>1 (39&quot;) (single file)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Trucks and truck-drawn</td>
<td>0.75 (30&quot;)</td>
<td>3.6 (12&quot;)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Light tank</td>
<td>1 (39&quot;)</td>
<td>4.2 (14&quot;)</td>
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<td>Medium tanks*</td>
<td>1.05 (42&quot;)</td>
<td>4.2 (14&quot;)</td>
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* Based on hard, dry surface
* Depths up to 4.3 meters can be negotiated with deep water fording kit
### General Dimension Data for Each of the Seven Basic Types of Bridges

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<td>5</td>
<td>Overhead clearance</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Horizontal clearance</td>
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Note: The letter "X" indicates the dimension is required.

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**Diagram**: Side View and End Section with dimensions marked from 1 to 20.

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MEASURING APPROXIMATE STREAM WIDTH USING COMPASS

1. Select prominent object A (i.e., tree) on far bank.
2. Stand at point B, opposite A, and read azimuth X°.
3. Move up or down stream to a point C so that azimuth to A equals X+45° or X–45°.
4. Distance BC then equals gap AB.

MEASURING THE RADIUS OF A CURVE

\[ R = \frac{c^2}{8m} + \frac{m}{2} \]

- \( c \) = length of chord (tape)
- \( m \) = perpendicular distance from the center of tape to the center of road
- \( R \) = radius of circle

By fixing \( m \) always at 2 meters, then the formula becomes:

\[ R = \frac{c^2}{16} + 1 \]

DETERMINING PERCENT (%) OF SLOPE

When using any distance for \( H \), use the formula:

\[ \% \text{ Slope} = \frac{V}{H} \times 100 \]

By always setting the horizontal \( H \) at 50, and measuring the vertical distance \( V \), the formula becomes \( \% \text{ slope} = 2 \times V \).