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# Section 1

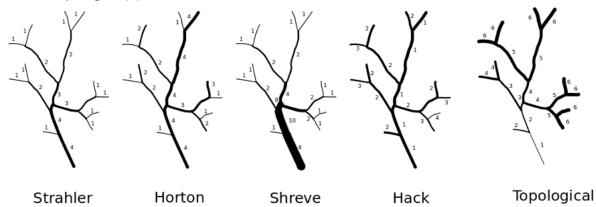
- 1. C
- 2. Southwest to Northeast
- 3. Alpine Lake
- 4. Tributaries; shows branches at the top that merge together; Tributaries have branches that merge together while distributaries have single lanes of water that branch out

# Section 2



Using the following diagram, determine the stream order of the main river using the following ordering systems(think about which way each system orders channels, top-down or bottom-up?):

- 5. Strahler(3)
- 6. Horton(4)
- 7. Shreve(8)
- 8. Hack(1)
- 9. Topological(1)



# Section 3

10. = 10/7 = 1.43(1. Is also fine if they followed sig figs)

- 11. Braided
- 12. Dendritic
- 13. Trellis

14. Braided Streams form when a single clear-cut channel cannot be created due to too much-unconsolidated sediment being in the water; this leads to multiple, shallow channels being formed as sediment piles up and forces water to move around these piles of sediment, similar to a delta.

#### Section 4

- 15. B
- 16. Competence and maximum clast size of a river are directly related; the higher the clast size a river can hold, the greater its competence.
- 17. Breccia would be found high up a river system where river velocity is generally higher; mudstone would be found lower where river velocity is lower
- 18. B; it carries more volume of water, therefore can hold more sediment
- 19. At the ends of rivers, the discharge and velocity of a river tend to decrease; a decrease in velocity means a decrease in competence so sediments begin to fall out bc the river cannot carry it; a decrease in discharge means a decrease in capacity so sediment also begins to fall out this way. Both of these phenomena cause a build-up of sediment, causing water to split up to avoid piles of sediment building up.

#### Section 5

- 20. Some options: uplift, subsidence, isostatic rebound, orogeny
- 21. Ice age or glacial melting → causes changes to Eustatic sea level
- 22. A waterfall is when water travels over land which dramatically changes the base level, causing water to drop from a higher base level to a lower base level
- 23. The base level of a delta is very similar to that of the global base level, though it is slightly higher
- 24. The contour lines are very close to each other; they indicate very dramatic change in elevation over short distances
- 25. Steeper river gradient generally leads to increased downcutting

## Section 6

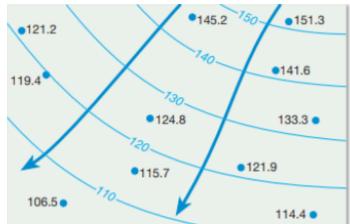
- 26. Along an alluvial fan, the gradient is very steep and then suddenly becomes nearly flat
- 27. An Oxbow lake forms when a meandering stream meanders so extremely to the point that a meander disconnects from the main river and a new, straighter channel takes its place.
- 28. Increased river gradient, causing increased downcutting and thus a more exaggerated cutbank in meandering streams.
- 29. Drainage reversal is when the cardinal direction that water flows in a drainage basin changes. There are many examples: one is Miocene drainage reversal of Amazon River, South America
- 30. Antecedent streams erode the rock below them as fast as it uplifts.

#### Section 7

- 31. Intermittent Stream
- 32. Ephemeral Stream
- 33. A stream gauge first measures the cross-sectional area of the river channel and then separately measures the velocity of the river; the cross-sectional area multiplied by the velocity gives the discharge.
- 34. The lag time between peak rainfall and discharge is lower in urban cities than in rural areas
- 35. Urban cities have more impermeable surfaces like roads and concrete, which decreases the amount of water that infiltrates the ground and increases runoff.
- 36. b.

## Section 8

- 37. Area A is more likely to flood because volcanic rocks are less permeable than gravel.
- 38. The water table is higher than the river's surface level
- 39. The intensive usage of groundwater decreases the water table level to below the stream's base level, causing water to infiltrate into the ground from the river.



41. Water begins to rise up once the pressure under ground is too extreme; this causes the water to rise up to an area of lower pressure

## Section 9

- 42. Limestone; limestone dissolves most easily in water to create karst environments
- 43. a.
- 44. Sinkhole; forms when rock underneath the ground is eroded, causing the surface to collapse inwards
- 45. Disappearing streams; are found mostly in karst environments because the rock is easily dissolved by the acidic water as compared to other types of rock, creating a path of flow for water underground.
- 46. HCl + (carbonates) → H2O + CO2 + (extra molecule)

# Section 10

- 47. Yes; the isotherms are layered vertically, showing thermal stratification
- 48. Decreased temperature means increased DO content.
- 49. The inflow and outflow in the lake must be close to equal
- 50. A steeper thermocline causes stronger thermal stratification.