

Geography and Settlement Choices



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Use the material to work through each task. Show the requested response.

Two invented settlement sites

Invented practice data or scenario; not a report of a real study.  
Site A lies beside a river with water and fertile floodplain soil, but it sometimes floods. Site B is on higher land farther from water, with less flood risk. This is a simplified fictional comparison, not a description of one ancient civilization.

| Site | Advantage              | Challenge          |
|------|------------------------|--------------------|
| A    | Water and fertile soil | Flood risk         |
| B    | Less flood risk        | Farther from water |

1. Which site is nearer water?  
  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Which site has less flood risk?  
  
\_\_\_\_\_

Geography and Settlement Choices



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Explain one reason people might choose A.

---

---

---

4. Explain a tradeoff at B.

---

---

---

5. What information would help choose a site?

---

---

---

6. Why should this model not explain every ancient settlement?

---

---

---