

## Cross Sections

A cross section starts out from a map and ends up a graph. It is made using contour lines. A cross section gives a picture of relief (shape of the land). It is called a cross section because it shows what the land looks like along one line as if a giant knife has cut through the land.



Aim: to draw a cross section of the island along the A-B line.

1. put straight edge of a piece of paper along the line.
2. each time a contour line crosses the paper, mark the paper with a line and the height.
3. draw a vertical and horizontal axis for a graph.
4. label vertical axis in metres.
5. put paper with contour lines along horizontal axis
6. put crosses on graph to show heights of contours.
7. joint crosses with a line.

