



# Chickamauga Battlefield PERIMETER COMPASS & NATURE TRAIL HIKE

Distance: 11 Miles

Note: The following questions relate to either nature (N), compass directions (C), or historical markers (H). You must have a compass to answer the Perimeter Compass Trail questions. Use of the official park brochure map or trail map will be helpful. Place the answers to the questions in the space provided.

1. As you leave Park Headquarters head south, cross the creek, and continue along the trail to the parking area. Take a compass reading of 275 degrees West. Cross the field to the edge of the woods where you will find a service road. Follow this road and turn left at the second trail (green trail marker). Take a compass reading down the trail. **WHAT IS YOUR READING?**
2. Hike this direction for about 1/2 mile until you come to trail on your right (yellow trail marker). From here take a reading of 270 degrees West and go to the edge of Snodgrass Field. Take a reading on the Snodgrass Cabin. **WHAT IS THE READING?**
3. Follow this trail on the edge of Snodgrass Field 270 degrees West along the edge of the field until you reach a wide trail. Turn left, keep to the left when the trail forks, and continue along this trail until it is intersected by another trail leading up to the Snodgrass Cabin. **IDENTIFY FULLY THE LARGE TREE ON THE RIGHT AT THE INTERSECTION OF THESE TWO TRAILS.**
4. Turn right and then left at the intersection with the wide trail. Take a compass reading. **WHAT DIRECTION WILL YOU NOW BE HIKING?**
5. Continue on this road hiking up the hill and go to the trail intersection with the 121st Ohio Monument the on the right side of the road. Turn left at this intersection and take a reading on the trail. **WHAT IS YOUR READING?**
6. Now follow this trail through the woods until you come to a dirt road. Cross the road and continue on this trail South 200 degrees. A few yards down this trail you will come to an unusual monument. **WHAT IS THE SHAPE OF THIS MONUMENT?**
7. Continue on this path until you come to two cannon your left. **GIVE COMPASS DIRECTION THESE CANNON ARE POINTING.**
8. Continue on this trail until you come to the paved Dyer Road. Cross the road to the trail on the other side. At the beginning of the trail path **IDENTIFY THE DECIDUOUS TREE ON THE LEFT OF THE PATH CLOSEST TO THE RED TRAIL MARKER.**
9. Hike across the field and to the top of the hill and continue into the woods. Farther along the trail watch for a triangle of cannon balls on your right about 25 yards off the trail. **WHOSE MONUMENT IS THIS?**
10. Return to the trail and continue 150 degrees ESE to a paved road. At the Lytle sign take a reading of 230 degrees SW. Cross the road to the other side and hike this direction to two cannon on your left. Take the road to the left, going to the next road on your left (a "one-way" road). At the "One Way" sign **WHAT DIRECTION WILL YOU BE HIKING ON THIS ONE-WAY ROAD?**
11. Continue on this road to the parking area below Wilder Tower. **AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE PARKING AREA, IDENTIFY THE FIRST TREE ON THE LEFT.**
12. Continue on this road south, following it until you come to US-27. Carefully cross the highway. Move off the highway to the left and take a compass reading on the 81<sup>st</sup> Indiana monument which is closest to the tree line. **WHAT IS YOUR READING?**
13. Continue in this direction along the edge of the field until you come to a tree line which runs North and South. Go straight through the woods on the overgrown path and you will come out at the edge of another field. Keep to the right and follow the edge of the field until the trail enters the woods. Enter the woods heading 160 degrees south and walk a short distance on this path to a rectangular monument on the right. **IS THIS A CONFEDERATE OR UNION MONUMENT?**
14. Continue on the trail 160 degrees South for 1/4 mile and you will come to a Historic Plaque "Hall House." **LOOK AROUND AND IDENTIFY THE TREES SURROUNDING THIS SIGN.**
15. Continue on trail a short distance and then head 170 degrees south. You will be hiking next to the creek. Your trail will turn uphill beside the creek. Continue to the top of the hill. **TAKE A COMPASS READING ON THE TRAIL AFTER IT CHANGES COURSE. WHAT IS YOUR READING?**
16. Continue on until this path until you come to a clearing where the path intersects a north-south trail. Here you will find a group of plaques, cannon, and a monument on the left. **IDENTIFY THESE AS CONFEDERATE OR UNION. WHAT STATE IS REPRESENTED BY THE MONUMENT?**

17. Take a compass reading of 160 degrees south and follow the trail for approximately 1/2 mile to where the trail turns left. Take a compass reading to the left. WHAT DIRECTION DOES THE TRAIL NOW GO?
18. Continue on the trail until you come out of the woods at the edge of a field. From here turn to your right and follow the edge of the field to another opening at the entrance to a woods. Hike through the woods and stay on the path to your left. You will come to a gravel road. Cross over this road to the trail marker. Take a compass reading on the trail. WHAT DIRECTION WILL THE TRAIL NOW FOLLOW?
19. Follow this trail about 1/4 mile to the edge of a field. From here turn left 360 degrees North and follow the edge of the woods. Go into the woods to an old Cemetery. DO NOT GO INTO THE FENCED AREA! GIVE THE NAME OF PERSON ON THE HEADSTONE ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE LARGE MARKER IN MIDDLE OF CEMETERY.
20. Now follow the path north through woods until you come to a gravel road. Take a reading on the path (yellow trail). WHAT DIRECTION WILL YOU NOW HIKE?
21. Continue on this trail for about 1/2 mile. At approximately this point there was (is?) a Historic Marker on your right for the Alexander House. APPROXIMATELY WHAT DIRECTION IS IT TO ALEXANDERS BRIDGE?
22. Hike for another 1/4 mile and there will be a Historic Marker about 50 feet off the trail to the left. GO TO THE MARKER AND GIVE THE MILEAGE TO DALTON'S FORD.
23. Return to the trail, and continue 20 degrees NNE hiking to a paved road. Cross the road and follow the yellow trail 340 degrees NNW for about 1/2 mile to where the trail turns 110 degrees East. Just on your right is another Historic Marker. HOW FAR WAS THE ALEXANDER HOUSE FROM THIS POINT?
24. Hike for 1 1/2 miles to a paved road. You will come out of the woods just south of an intersection of two roads. Hike along the left shoulder of the road to the intersection. ARE MOST OF THE TREES ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE INTERSECTION DECIDUOUS OR EVERGREEN?
25. From here hike up Jay's Mill Road 20 degrees North for about 3/4 mile to the Jay's Mill sign on your left just past Brotherton Road. GIVE THE NAME OF THE CONFEDERATE COMMANDER AT THIS LOCATION WHEN THE BATTLE STARTED.
26. Take the trail 350 degrees NW into the woods and continue on the trail through woods for about one mile. You will come to the top of a hill. From here the trail turns right (blue trail). WHAT IS THE COMPASS READING ON THE TRAIL?
27. Continue in this direction. You will shortly come to two cannons on the right of the trail. WHICH BATTERY DO

THESE GUNS REPRESENT?

28. Continue hiking northwest until you come to where two trails branch off. Be sure to take the trail to your left. For Questions 28, 29, and 30: LIST 3 FORMS OF PLANT LIFE, TREES OR WILDLIFE WHICH YOU HAVE OBSERVED ON THE TRAIL SO FAR.
31. Continue on for about one mile. You will come out of the woods at the intersection of a wide forest path. Cross the path to the trail on other side. As you again enter the woods walk about 100 yards into the woods and take a compass reading on the trail. WHAT IS THE APPROXIMATE DIRECTION THE TRAIL FOLLOW?

Continue on this path until you come out of the woods at the edge of a field. In front of you is the Florida Monument. Hike to your right around the edge of the field and go to the creek which runs under the Highway. DO NOT GO UP and cross the highway, but GO UNDER the bridge to the other side. Now go to Park Headquarters and have your papers signed.

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Score: \_\_\_\_\_ Ranger's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated Cancellation Stamp:

