

Social studies

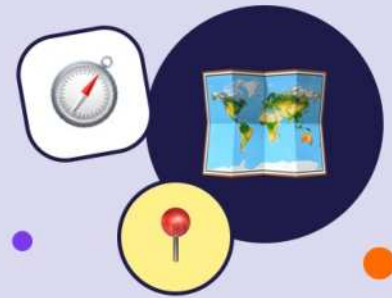
Grade 2

Maps and compass directions

Read a simple map, use a key and follow compass directions.



I can use a map key and the four compass directions.



1

**Match up**

Draw a line to match each pair.

☐

N

☐

E

☐

S

☐

W

☐ A. South☐ B. North☐ C. West☐ D. East

2

**Complete the table**

Fill in the empty boxes.

Symbol	Means
	
	
	
	

3

**Pick the answer**

Circle the right answer.

1. The sun rises in the...

A East

B West

C North

2. On a map, North is usually at the...

A bottom

B top

C left

4

**True or false**

Circle true or false.

1. A map key tells you what the symbols mean.

True

False

2. North is opposite South.

True

False

3. East is opposite North.

True

False

4. A compass helps you find directions.

True

False

5. A map shows a place from the side.

True

False

5

**Directions**

Use the word bank to complete each sentence.

WORD BANK

South

West

right

above

1. The opposite of North is _____.
2. The opposite of East is _____.
3. The sun sets in the _____.
4. If you face North, East is on your _____.
5. A map shows a place as if you look from _____.

6

**Nature or built?**

Write each word in the right box.

bridge

road

forest

lake

house

river

Nature**Built by people**

7

**Where is it?**

Read and circle the right answer.

1. The school is north of the park. The park is ____ of the school.

A south

B east

C north

2. The shop is east of the lake. The lake is ____ of the shop.

A north

B west

C south

3. You walk towards the setting sun. Which way do you go?

A East

B North

C West

8



Draw it

Draw a map of your bedroom or classroom. Add a key with three symbols.

How did it go?



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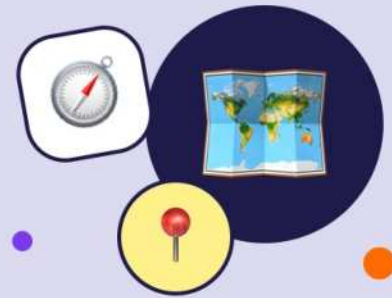
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