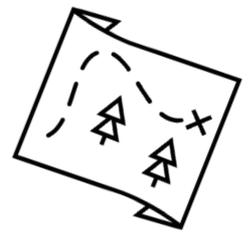


# Mini Park Rangers



## Mapping

Maps are pictures of areas or places. They are usually shown or displayed as if you are flying above that area in an aeroplane. This is called an aerial view.

Maps can include lots of different features depending how large of an area they are showing. Features can include buildings, streets, roads, rivers, states, cities/town names, oceans, countries and even the weather.

### How do we read a map?

There are three features we usually find on maps:

#### Direction



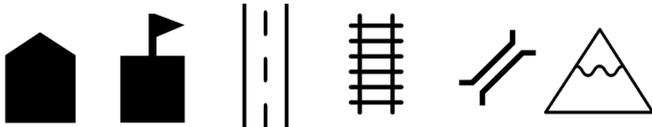
The direction North is always shown on a map, this helps us to orient line up our map to the land-forms around us.

#### Scale



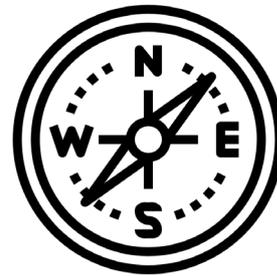
Scale can be used to measure how far one place is from another

#### Symbols



Some maps use symbols to tell us where things are. Symbols include roads, bridges, houses, schools, railway tracks, landforms like mountains and many more!

#### Compass Points

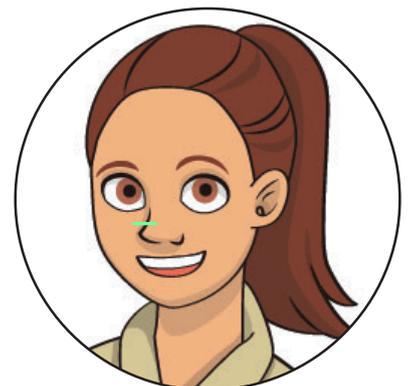


There are four main directions or points on a compass, North, South, East and West. This is usually displayed as an arrow or compass.

- North – top of the Earth (North Pole)
- South – bottom of the Earth (South Pole)
- East – where the sun rises
- West – where the sun sets

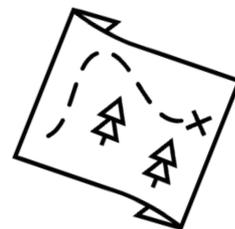
**Hey Mini Park Rangers.....** Did you know?

The first European person to sail the whole way around Australia was Matthew Flinders. On his journey he did such a good job of outlining Australia on a map that we still use those maps today!



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Create a treasure map.

## Activity:

1. Decide what area your map will be of - the house , garden or park?
2. Draw some features of the area in the space below
3. Add in a treasure route for someone to follow
4. Hide some items to be treasures at different locations
5. Get someone to embark on your treasure hunt!

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