

Directions and Maps

Chapter 1: Directions and Maps · Topic 1

Key Concept

The four main directions - North, South, East, West - along with four intermediate directions (NE, NW, SE, SW) help describe precise locations.

A compass is a tool that always points North, helping us determine other directions relative to it.

Maps use symbols and a scale to represent real places in a smaller, understandable format, helping us find locations.

Learning to read maps and use directions is a useful life skill for travelling and understanding geography.

Quick Revision Notes

- 4 main directions: N, S, E, W.
- 4 intermediate: NE, NW, SE, SW.
- These describe precise locations.
- A compass always points North.
- It helps determine other directions.
- Maps use symbols and a scale.
- This represents real places smaller.
- Reading maps is a useful life skill.

Practice Questions

- 1 Point to all four main directions from where you are.
- 2 Draw a compass showing all directions.
- 3 Draw a simple map with a scale.
- 4 Discuss how a compass helps in navigation.
- 5 Practice reading a map of your area.
- 6 Identify NE, NW, SE, SW on a compass diagram.