

Reading a Map (Simple)

Chapter 4: Vacation with My Nani Maa · Topic 1

Key Concept

A simple map uses symbols and pictures to represent real places, like a tree symbol for a park, or a small building for a school.

Maps often include directions - North, South, East, and West - to help us understand which way to go to reach a place.

A map key (or legend) explains what each symbol on the map means, helping us understand the map correctly.

Learning to read maps helps us find our way around a new place, and is a useful real-life skill for travelling or exploring.

Quick Revision Notes

- A simple map uses symbols to represent places.
- A tree symbol might represent a park.
- Maps include directions: North, South, East, West.
- A map key explains what symbols mean.
- Reading maps helps us find our way.
- Maps are useful for travelling and exploring.
- Understanding symbols is key to reading maps.
- Maps show a simplified view of real places.

Practice Questions

- 1 Look at a simple map and identify three symbols.
- 2 Find North, South, East and West on a map or compass.
- 3 Draw a simple map of your classroom or home with symbols.
- 4 Create a map key for your own map.
- 5 Practice giving directions using North, South, East, West.
- 6 Find your school or home on a local map, if possible.