



# 4 and 6 figure grid references

## What should I already know?

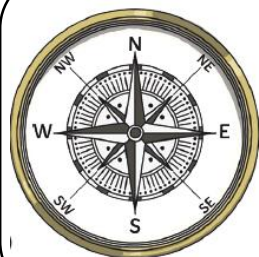
- A compass can be a tool for showing the directions - North, South, East and West
- A map is a 2D way of showing information and there are different types.
- A key on a map explains what the symbols mean.



Techniques



Location



North N  
 North East NE  
 East E  
 South East SE  
 South S  
 South West SW  
 West W  
 North West NW

## Symbols

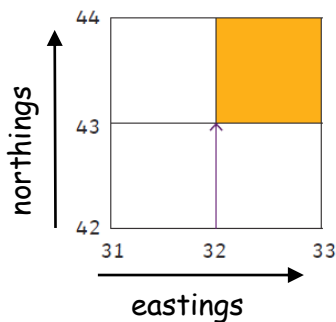
Small pictures, letters or lines that represent a real-life feature.



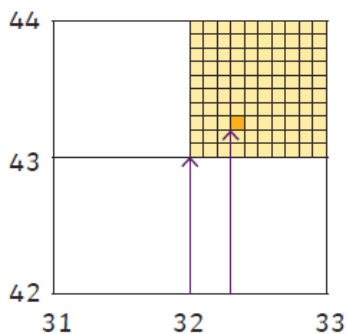
footpath



place of worship



Eastings and northings are put together to create a 4 figure grid reference, which refers to the bottom left corner of a square. e.g (32, 43).



6 figure grid references are even more specific, they tell us where something is inside the square e.g (32<sup>3</sup> 43<sup>2</sup>)

## Key vocabulary and definitions

Cardinal Points	North, South, East and West
Ordinal Points	North-East, South-East, South-West, North-West
Ordnance Survey maps	A detailed map of Great Britain which shows physical and human features using symbols.
Physical Features	Natural features such as mountains, forests, deserts or lakes.
Human Features	Human made features such as buildings, roads and bridges.
Grid references	The numbered squares on a map used to locate a place.
Easting	Numbers used in a grid reference that run west to east
Northing	Numbers used in grid references that run south to north
Tenths	When something is divided into 10 equal parts

Eastings are always identified and written first. Remember the phrase: 'Along the corridor and up the stairs'.