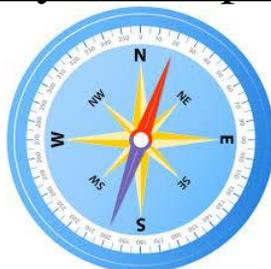


Geography – Compass points



Today we will be learning about the points on a compass. A compass is an important tool for map readers. It tells us which way is north and where to find east, south, and west. Together, these are known as the four cardinal points of the compass. Most maps are printed with north facing the top.

Task One

We would like to ask you to visit the following Ordnance Survey website, <https://www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/mapzone/map-skills/compasses-and-directions/page-one>, it gives you some information about compass points and then there is a quiz at the end, you will need to click through the pages up to page 4.

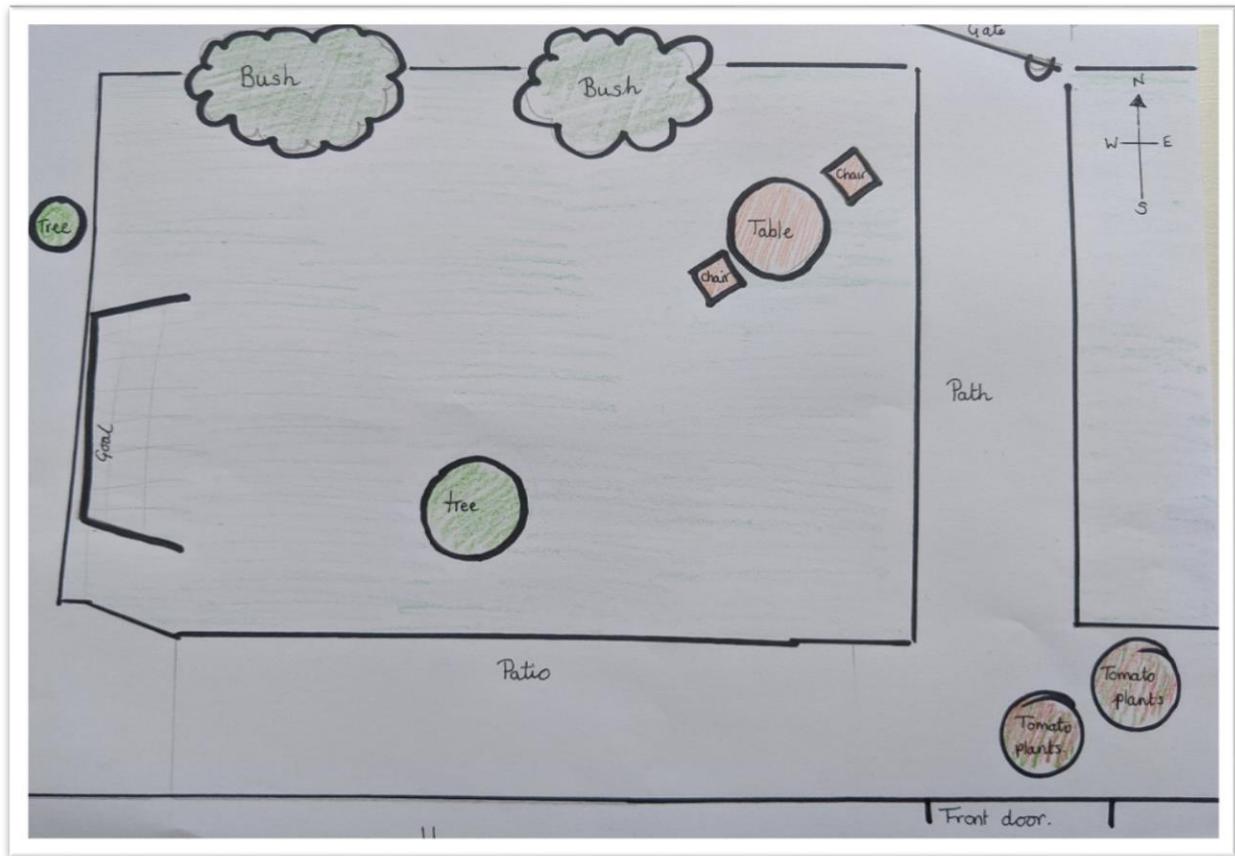
Task Two

Ask your parents if they have a compass – if they do that's brilliant, however if not you might be able to download one onto a smartphone or tablet but do ask an adult before you do this. If this is not possible, then you can just ask a parent which way they think is north and work it out from there.

Using your compass, you are going to create a treasure map in your garden (or a room in your house) with instructions of how to find some treasure. We would like to ask you to include at least four steps in your instructions. An example of a map and instructions are on the following page.

Can you challenge a parent or sibling to follow your instructions to find your treasure?

Example of a map



Start at the front door.
Take 15 steps North
Turn to face West and take 6 steps.
Go South west 15 steps.
Finally turn west and take 10 steps.