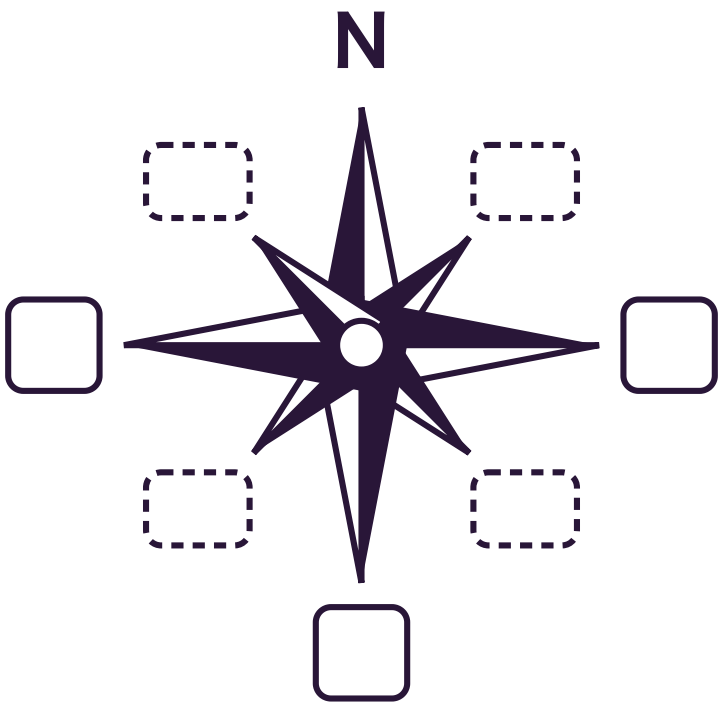
Label the Compass Rose

Write N, S, E and W on the compass rose. Bonus: add NE, SE, SW and NW.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____





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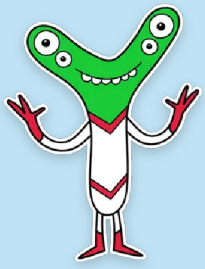
- North is at the top of most maps.
- Going clockwise: Never Eat Soggy Waffles (North, East, South, West).
- In-between directions join two names: north + east = northeast (NE).

Answer the questions

1. **The sun rises in the _____.**
2. **The sun sets in the _____.**
3. **The opposite of north is _____.**
4. **Between north and west is _____.**
5. **Between south and east is _____.**

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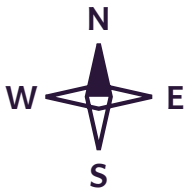
Directions Around Town



Use the map and the compass rose to answer each question.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Farm	Pond	Library	Fire station
Bakery	School	Park	Post office
Store	Home	Hospital	Museum
Zoo	Playground	Bank	Police station



Use the map

1. **What is just north of the School?**

2. **What is just south of the School?**

3. **What is just east of the School?**

4. **What is just west of the School?**

5. **Which way do you go from the Home to the Hospital?**

6. **Which way do you go from the Park to the Library?**

7. **Which way do you go from the Zoo to the Store?**

8. **Start at Home. Go 1 square east, then 1 square south. Where are you?**

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Treasure Island Grid

Find things on the map with a letter and a number. Letters go across, numbers go down.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____



	A	B	C	D	E	F
1					Volcano	
2		Ship		Hut		
3	Waterfall					
4			Cave			Parrot
5	Palm tree			Bridge		
6		Rowboat			Treasure	

What is in...

1. B2? _____
2. E1? _____
3. C4? _____
4. A5? _____
5. F4? _____

Which square has the...

1. Treasure? _____
2. Hut? _____
3. Bridge? _____
4. Waterfall? _____

Draw it on the map

1. Draw a star in A1.
2. Draw a fish in F2.
3. Draw a flag in C6.
4. Draw a path from the Ship to the Treasure.

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Make a Map With a Key



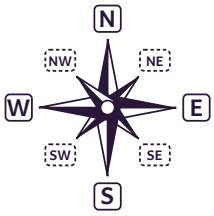
Draw a map of your bedroom, classroom or playground from above. Make a symbol for each thing and put it in the key.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Map title:

_____

My map (draw it from above, like a bird would see it)

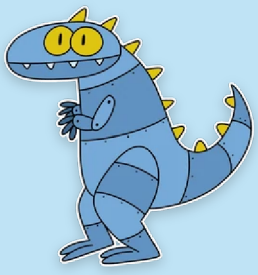


Map key

Symbol	What it stands for

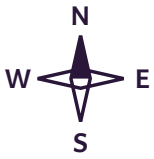
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Follow the Directions



Start on the star. Follow each step and write the letter where you land. What is the secret word?

Name: _____ **Date:** _____



A	A	B	W	R	N
K	M	H	N	O	S
H	F	S	N	F	K
I	G	N	E	L	I
W	H	U	F	F	F
★	I	N	S	D	U

Steps

1. **Go 2 squares north and 1 square east.**
   Letter: ☐
2. **Go 3 squares east.**
   Letter: ☐
3. **Go 2 squares north.**
   Letter: ☐
4. **Go 2 squares west and 1 square north.**
   Letter: ☐
5. **Go 1 square east and 3 squares south.**
   Letter: ☐

Secret word: ☐☐☐☐☐

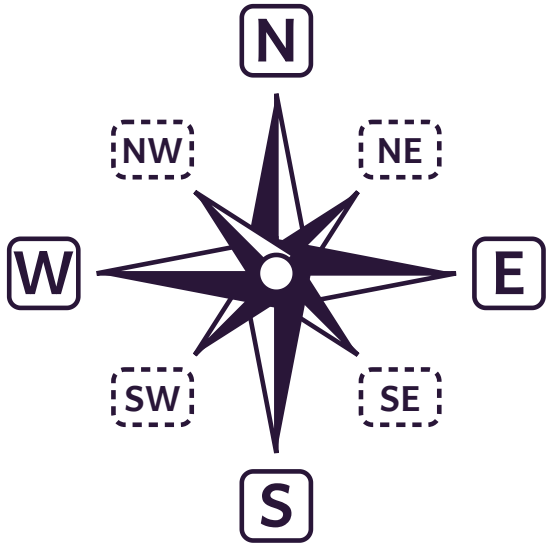
Now write your own directions from the star to any letter. Can a friend follow them?

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Answer key: Maps and cardinal directions

Label the Compass Rose



1. The sun rises in the **east**.
2. The sun sets in the **west**.
3. The opposite of north is **south**.
4. Between north and west is **northwest**.
5. Between south and east is **southeast**.

Directions Around Town

1. What is just north of the School? **Pond**
2. What is just south of the School? **Home**
3. What is just east of the School? **Park**
4. What is just west of the School? **Bakery**
5. Which way do you go from the Home to the Hospital? **east**
6. Which way do you go from the Park to the Library? **north**
7. Which way do you go from the Zoo to the Store? **north**
8. Start at Home. Go 1 square east, then 1 square south. Where are you? **Bank**

Treasure Island Grid

B2 Ship **E1** Volcano **C4** Cave **A5** Palm tree
F4 Parrot Treasure: **E6** Hut: **D2** Bridge: **D5**
Waterfall: **A3**

Follow the Directions

A	A	B	W	R	N
K	M	H	N	O	S
H	F	S	N	F	K
I	G	N	E	L	I
W	H	U	F	F	F
★	I	N	S	D	U

Secret word: **GLOBE**

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