



Geography - Our Local Area- Spring 3 Term 2026

New Knowledge:



I know what a geographer would say about our local area



I know what grid references are and how they work



I know how we can use grid references



Fieldwork: I know what is located where we live

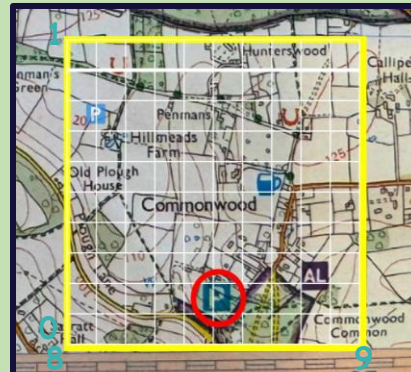


I know how geographers communicate their fieldwork

Grid References



4 figure grid reference



6 figure grid reference

Four-figure grid references consist of two numbers for the vertical (Northings) and horizontal (Easting) lines.

A six-figure grid reference is more specific. It splits the box into 10 squares horizontal and vertical.

The car park is located in 005-082.

It is 5 squares along and 2 squares up. Sometimes you need to estimate this!

Ordnance Survey maps



Ordnance survey maps create a grid. A grid reference will help locate areas or symbols.

Vertical lines are **Northings**.
Horizontal lines are **Easting**.

When reading a grid reference, you note the bottom left corner of the grid square.

Sticky Learning

- I know how to describe the key features of the physical geography of North America.
- I know the layers of the earth.
- I know the water cycle.
- I know what a biome is
- I know the parts that make up the Earth

Landmarks

A landmark is a feature of the landscape which can help you find your way. This could be physical (natural) or human (made by people). These are marked on a map with symbols, letters or lines.

Physical Features



Human Features





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local area	a specific place relating to a town, village or port that is smaller than a city, county or country
human feature	human ideas and actions upon the Earth, including buildings, population, land use and more
physical feature	the natural features of the Earth's surface
landmark	an object or feature of a local area that can be seen from a distance or that helps to identify where you are
grid reference	a map reference showing a location through vertical and horizontal grid lines identified by numbers or letters
Ordnance Survey	a national mapping program for Great Britain
fieldwork	practical work; researching the environment
geographical	an expert who studies human and physical features of the Earth