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Which Way Does the Compass Rose Point?

Circle group

Many maps have a small star. It is called a compass rose. It shows four directions. They are north, south, east, and west.

North is at the top. South is at the bottom. East is on the right. West is on the left.

Try it. Put your finger on a lake. Slide it right. You go east. Slide it up. You go north.

Questions

1. What is the small star called?

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_____

2. How many directions does it show?

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3. Where is north on a map?

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4. Which way do you go if you slide right?

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5. Which way do you go if you slide down?

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Words to know

compass rose: a star on a map that shows directions
direction: the way you face or go, like north or west
north: the direction at the top of a map
slide: to move smoothly along a surface

Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
2. What did your sheet tell you that you think another group's did not? Ask them.
3. What is one question about this topic that none of the sheets answered?

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Which Way Does the Compass Rose Point?

Triangle group

Many maps have a small star with long points. It is called a compass rose. It shows the four main directions. They are north, south, east, and west.

North is at the top of the map. South is at the bottom. East is on the right. West is on the left.

Let us try it. Put your finger on a lake. Slide it to the right. You are going east. Now slide it up. You are going north. The compass rose helps you tell which way to go.

Questions

1. What is the small star on a map called?

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_____

2. How many main directions does it show?

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_____

3. Where is north on a map?

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_____

4. Which way are you going if you slide your finger to the right?

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5. If you slide your finger down the map, which way are you going?

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Words to know

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Which Way Does the Compass Rose Point?

Square group

Many maps include a small star with long points, which is called a compass rose. It shows the four main directions, which are north, south, east, and west.

On most maps, north is at the top and south is at the bottom. East is toward the right side, and west is toward the left side.

You can practice with your finger. Place it on a lake and slide it to the right, and you are traveling east. Then slide it upward, and you are heading north. The compass rose helps you decide which way to go.

Questions

1. What is the small star on a map called?

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_____

2. How many main directions does it show?

_____

_____

3. Where is north on most maps?

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_____

4. Which way are you traveling if you slide your finger to the right?

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5. If you slide your finger downward, which way are you heading?

_____

_____

Words to know

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north: the direction at the top of a map

slide: to move smoothly along a surface

Talk together (every group has these)

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For the teacher: Which Way Does the Compass Rose Point?

Each student sheet carries a shape, not a level. The same topic and facts, written three ways.

Circle: Which Way Does the Compass Rose Point?

Easier · 63 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -0.9

1. A compass rose.
2. Four.
3. At the top.
4. East.
5. South, because south is at the bottom.

Triangle: Which Way Does the Compass Rose Point?

This passage · 88 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -0.6

1. A compass rose.
2. Four.
3. At the top.
4. East.
5. South, because south is at the bottom.

Square: Which Way Does the Compass Rose Point?

Harder · 96 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 2.9

1. A compass rose.
2. Four.
3. At the top.
4. East.
5. South, because south is at the bottom.