

CRACKING THE CODE

In your Geography Home Learning lessons, you have been learning about compass points and co-ordinates.

This week, we are going to use this skill by looking at an Ordinance Survey (OS) Map.

An OS map shows places, using symbols and letters – this is so that they don't use too much space by writing explanations of the map. There is a key, which explains which symbols, colours and shapes represent the roads, footpaths, woods, buildings, rivers etc.









You can locate places on an OS map using the co-ordinates grid which they have along the bottom and up the sides (known as the x and y axis or Eastings and Northings). Some co-ordinates can have 6 or 8 digits in them, but we are going to look at 4-digit co-ordinates.

ACTIVITIES

- Ask your parents if they have an OS map for you to look at, or you can search for one on the internet. Have fun just looking the map with your family and try to think what each of the symbols or letter codes might mean.
- Using the section of an OS map attached (the town of Bylth), can you locate the places from the co-ordinates below. Write the answers in your home learning book.



What place name is found at the following coordinates?

(14, 24)	_ _  _ _ _ _
(17, 22)	_  _ _ _ _
(11, 24)	_ _  _ _ _ _
(17, 26)	 _ _ _ _
(14, 27)	_ _ _ _  _
(13, 24)	_ _ _ _ _  _ _
(12, 23)	_ _  _ _ _ _
(14, 20)	_ _ _ _ _  _

Write the circled letters from your answers below:

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