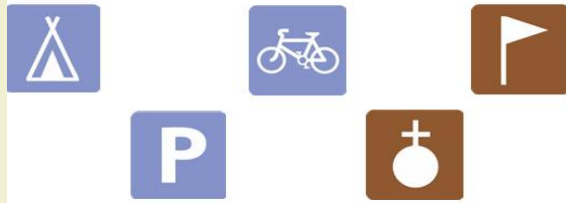


## Core Knowledge

- A map is a drawing of an actual place that uses lines and symbols to represent real-life objects. People have used maps for hundreds of years to help them travel from place to place.
- There are many different types of maps, such as: Sketch maps Road maps Ordnance Survey maps Climate maps
- Key features of maps include: a title, a compass rose, symbols, a key and different colours for important things, such as green for forests and blue for rivers.
- Maps are usually drawn from an aerial view. We can look at aerial photographs to see the main physical and human features of places. Aerial photos are photos taken by aircraft or other flying objects, e.g. drones. A satellite photo is taken from a satellite in space.
- An atlas shows maps of continents, countries, oceans and the physical features of a place. Its contents page shows a list of all the maps and the page that they can be found on. The index page lists, in alphabetical order, all of the countries, cities and towns that can be found in the atlas and shows which page number to look on.



## Vocabulary

- Atlas** - a book of maps to show different parts of the world, like countries, states or even stars in the sky
- Navigate** - to find your way from one place to another
- Route** - a path or way you follow to get from a starting point to a destination
- Alphabetical order** - a way of organising a list of words based on the order of the alphabet (A,B,C,D...)
- Index** - an alphabetical list at the back of an atlas or on the side of a map that helps you find a place quickly
- Equator** - an imaginary line that wraps around the middle of the Earth like a giant belt
- Key** - a small box on a map that explains what the different symbols, colours and lines mean
- Symbol** - a tiny picture or shape on a map that stands for a real thing in the world
- Compass rose** - a map's 'direction finder' that shows you which way is North, South, East and West
- Continent** - one of the seven main areas of land on Earth

## Compass Directions

People use a compass to help them position and use a map accurately. The main points of a compass are north, south, east and west.



## Planning a Route

When planning a journey using a map, people think about the quickest or safest route.

