



# GEOGRAPHY

## Social Science Geography

Introduction to Map Work



# The World Map

The world is round, but a map is flat!

# Directions

A **map** is a diagram representation that shows an area of land or sea. A **map** also shows physical features, cities, roads, etc. In order to tell the location of a city, country, continent or feature, we use direction. **Direction** is the positioning of something relative to another.

# Directions

The are 4 main directions used on a map:

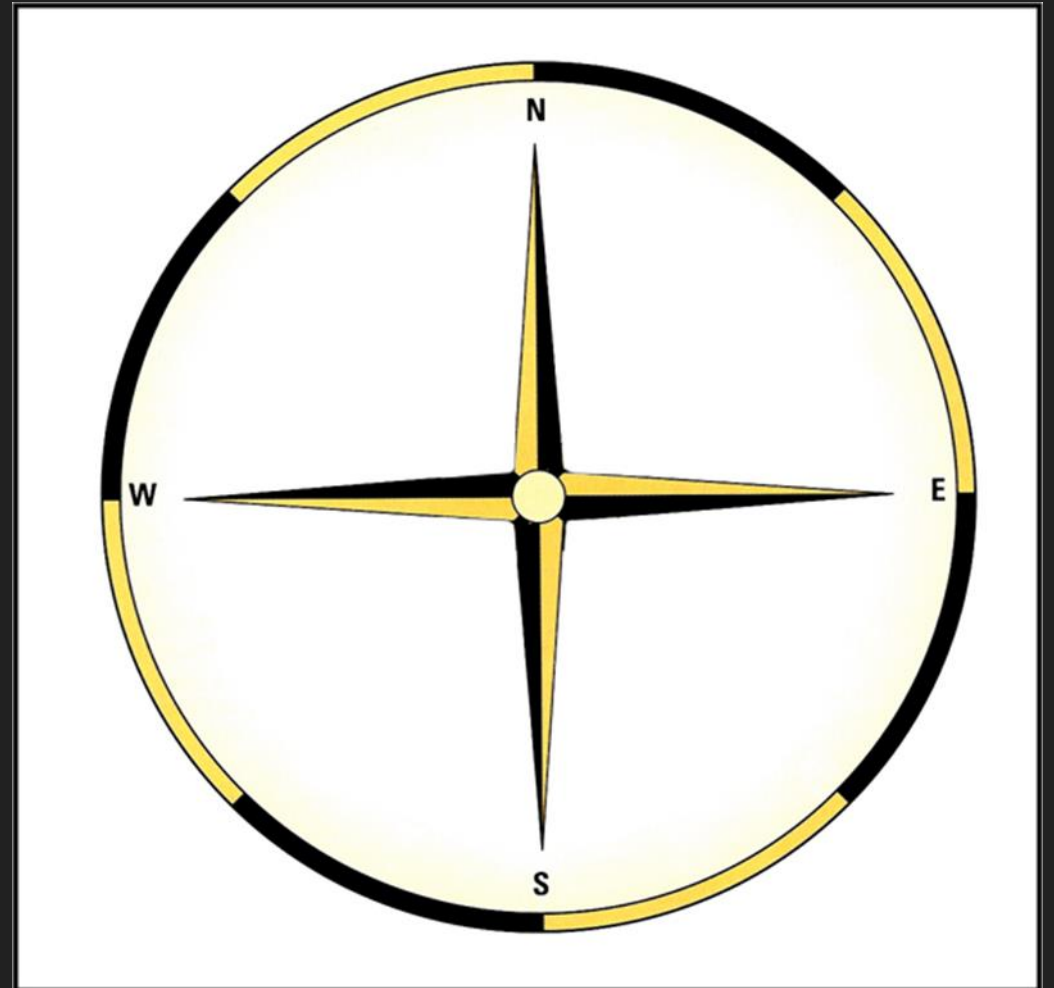
North (N)

South (S)

East (E) and

West (W)

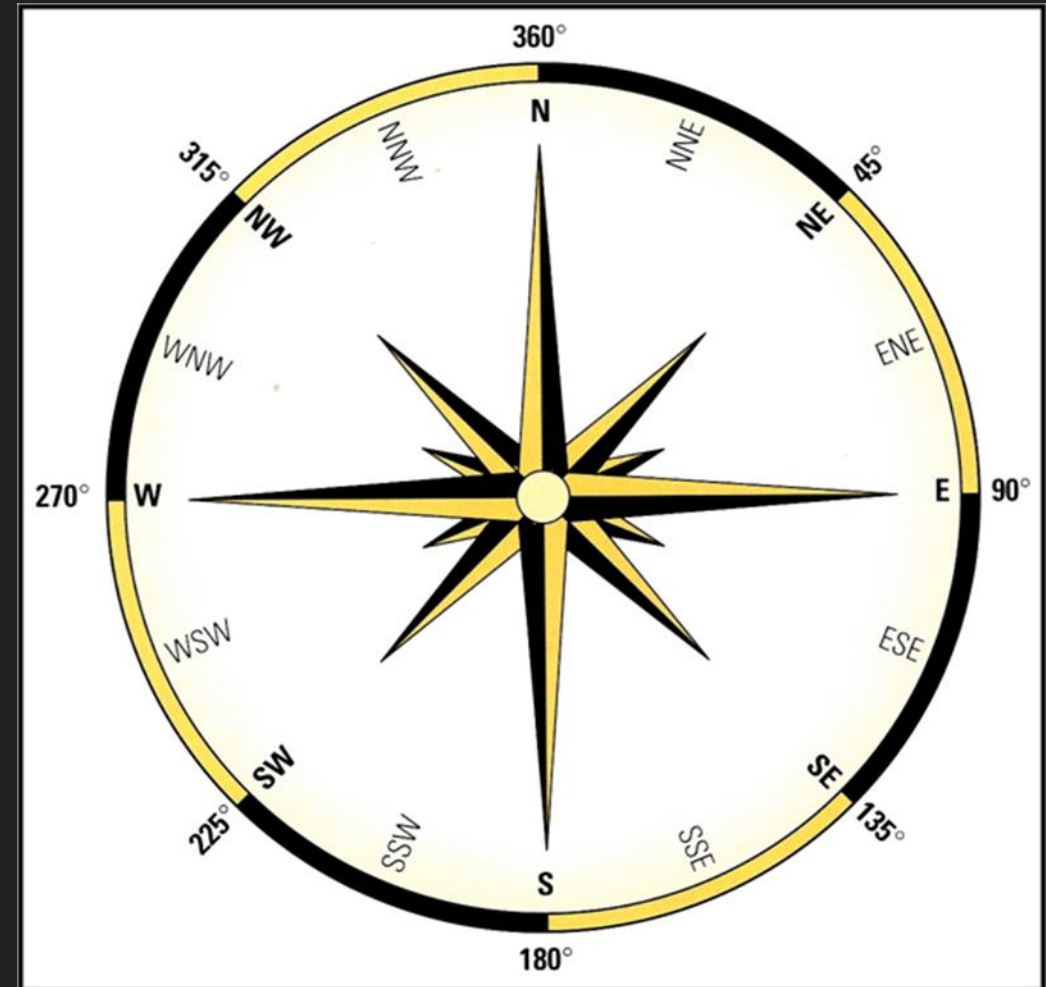
These form part of the 4point direction system





# Directions

The 4 point direction system is further divided into an 8 point direction system.



# Grid references

To make life easier, we use co-ordinates to locate features on a map. Co-ordinates are a set of numbers and letters that are used to find the exact position of something on a map.

When giving co-ordinates we start with the block letter then followed by the block number in which the feature is located.











For example looking at the map attached, the fire station is located in block H4



# Revision exercise

Use the map attached to provide the grid co-ordinates of the following:

- Fire truck
- Train
- Police car
- Airplane
- Taxi
- Race car
- Helicopter
- Ambulance

<b>A</b>					
<b>B</b>					
<b>C</b>					
<b>D</b>					
<b>E</b>					
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>