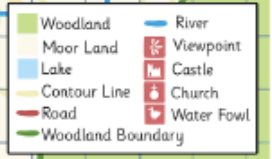





Key Vocabulary	Definition
Map	A drawing of an actual place that uses lines and symbols to represent real life objects.
Key	Help us understand map symbols. Also known as a legend.
Map symbol	A picture or sign on a map that represents something else.
Route	A way of getting from a start point to a finish point.
Compass	A tool which shows people which direction they are travelling and helps them find their way.

Key Features	Compass Directions	Planning a Route
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.	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.	When planning a journey using a map, people think about the quickest or safest route .
		
		

Types of Maps
There are many different types of maps, such as: Sketch maps Road maps Ordnance Survey maps Climate maps

Using an Atlas
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.

Physical Features	An Aerial View	More About Maps
Atlases show us the physical features of a place. These can include forests, lakes and rivers. On the index page beside the page number, there is sometimes a letter that tells you the kind of feature it is, e.g. m = mountain and r = river.	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.	Did You Know...? Maps cannot possibly show everything. They are drawn to scale. Seas are smaller areas of water than oceans . They are found where the land and water meet.
