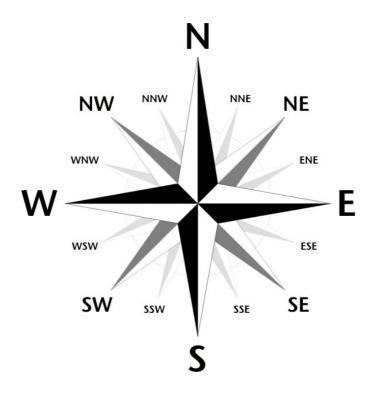


THE COMPASS ROSE Leader/Helper Notes





Naming the Compass Points

By convention, North is usually at the top of a map or a compass rose. The northern point of the compass rose is also often adorned in some way to distinguish it from all the others.

The four main compass points are called the Cardinal Points of the compass: North, South, East and West. Reading the compass points clockwise, around the rose, use the rhyme "Never Eat Soggy Weetbix" to locate the points (N, E, S, W), starting with North at the top.

When naming the secondary (2nd Level) points, the names are made by combining those of the two adjacent Cardinal Points, noting that North/South take precedence over E/W. Hence, the position between North and East is North East (NE), rather than East North (EN). Similarly, the other three secondary points are SE, SW and NW.

When naming the tertiary (3rd Level) points, the names are again made by combining those of the two adjacent points. For the teriary pints, one will be a Cardinal Point and the other will be a secondary point. In this case, the adjacent Cardinal Point name is written first, followed by that of the adjacent secondary point. Hence, the tertiary point between North and North East is North North East (NNE), sometimes called "North of North East" or simply "Nor Nor East", not North East North (NEN). Similarly, the point between North East and East is East North East (ENE), sometimes called "East of North East" or "East Nor East", not North East East (NEE). In a similar fashion, the other tertiary points are named ESE, SSE, SSW, WSW, WNW, NNW.