



Finding Your Way

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Finding Your Way teaches you to read maps and use a compass. You'll find your home on a map, draw your own, and figure out which way is north. These skills help you explore without getting lost.

Requirements

Every official requirement, in plain language. Check the official wording when you sign off (scouting.org/cub-scout-adventures/finding-your-way/). Tips and examples are ideas, not extra requirements.

☐ **1** Find where you live on a map

Tip: Look at a paper map or an online map with an adult and find your street.

Example: Zoom in on a map until you find your street, then zoom out to find your town, your state, and your country. Point to your home at each step.

☐ **2** Draw a map, with a key, that a friend could use to find your home or school

Tip: Draw a map from your home to school and add a key with symbols for houses, trees, and roads.

Example: Draw the path from your home to school. Make a key: a small square for houses, a circle for trees, a star for the school. Then see if a friend can follow it.

☐ **3** On a map, find the compass rose and the four directions (north, east, south, west)

Tip: Find the compass rose on a map and point to north, east, south, and west.

☐ **4** Use a compass to find the four directions (north, east, south, west)

Tip: Hold the compass flat and turn until the needle points to N. Then face each direction.

Example: Hold the compass flat and turn your body until the red needle lines up with N. Now you're facing north. East is on your right, west on your left, and south behind you.

☐ **5** Practice using a map and a compass together

Tip: Line up your map with the compass and walk to a spot in a park or yard.

Example: In a park, turn your map so its north matches your compass's north. Then walk to a spot you picked on the map, like the playground or a big tree.