

Max's Magnificent Map of Coordinates

Master the Map: Plot Your Path with Max the Monkey!

- The x-axis is the horizontal line running across the bottom of the grid. We always record this number first.
- The y-axis is the vertical line running up the side of the grid. We record this number second, like a pair of steps.
- The origin is the starting point at the bottom-left corner, where the x and y axes meet at (0, 0).
- Coordinates are written in brackets as (x, y). Always remember: 'Walk along the corridor (x) before you climb the stairs (y).'
- A coordinate point marks the exact intersection where a vertical line and a horizontal line cross over.

Did you know? Did you know? Early cartographers used grid systems to help sailors navigate the vast oceans safely. Today, we use coordinates for everything from finding buried treasure in a game to guiding satellites through space. Max loves using coordinates because every position is like a secret code waiting to be cracked!

Key vocabulary: x-axis · y-axis · origin · coordinate · quadrant · horizontal · vertical · plot