Finn’s Map-Reading Adventure: Mastering Grid References

Follow Finn the Dolphin to find your way around the world!

- **Always remember the golden rule: Go 'along the corridor' (the bottom line) before you go 'up the stairs' (the side line).**
- **Eastings are the numbers along the bottom of the map that show you how far to move to the right.**
- **Northings are the numbers up the side of the map that show you how far to move upwards.**
- **A four-figure grid reference is made by joining the Easting and the Northing together to create a specific square address.**
- **Always check your map key first to see what the symbols represent before you start searching for coordinates.**

> *Did you know? Did you know? Cartographers—the people who make maps—use grid systems to stop us from getting lost! By using simple numbers, you can pinpoint a hidden treasure, a mountain peak, or even a secret dolphin cove anywhere on the map.*

Key vocabulary: Grid reference · Easting · Northing · Map key · Coordinates · Horizontal axis · Vertical axis