



Map Symbols, Legend & Keys

Name: _____

Date: _____

Grade: Grade 1

Part A: Multiple Choice

Circle the best answer for each question.

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- B) It explains what symbols mean
- C) It shows how old the map is
- D) It colors the map

2. Which direction does the top of most maps show?

- A) South
- B) East
- C) North
- D) West

3. A blue area on a map most likely shows what?

- A) A desert
- B) A lake or ocean
- C) A mountain
- D) A road

4. What tool shows north, south, east, and west?

- A) Map key
- B) Title box
- C) Scale bar
- D) Compass rose

Part B: Fill in the Blank

Write the correct answer on each line.

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2. Symbols are small _____ that stand for real things.
3. A triangle symbol might represent a _____.
4. The _____ direction is at the bottom of most maps.
5. You should always check the _____ before reading a new map.

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