

Ari's Mars Landing

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Vocabulary

Compass - a tool used to show the current directions based on Earth's magnetic field

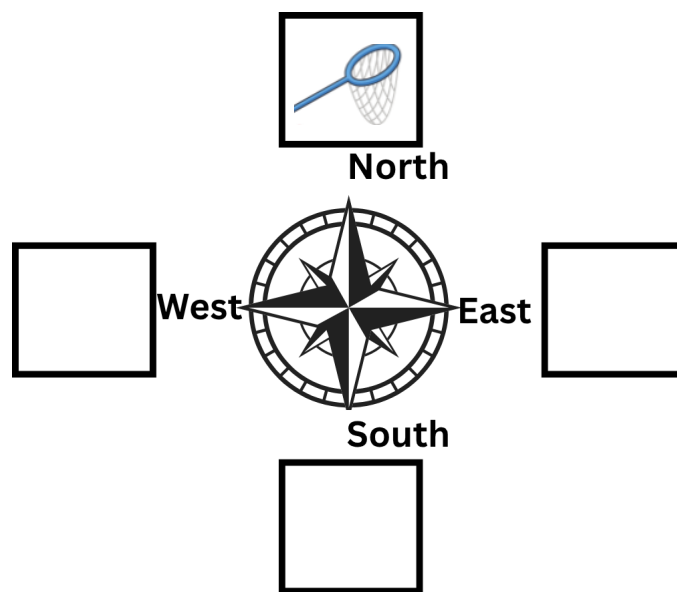
Cardinal Directions - the four main compass directions: North, South, East, and West

Intermediate Directions - directions northeast (NE), southeast (SE), southwest (SW), and northwest (NW) are located halfway between the four cardinal directions.

Introduction

Cardinal and Intermediate Directions

- 1 The compass is labeled with directions to help you navigate. Help Ari pack for their Mars adventure. Find items that start with the same first letter as each cardinal direction on Ari's compass. Draw each item in the boxes.



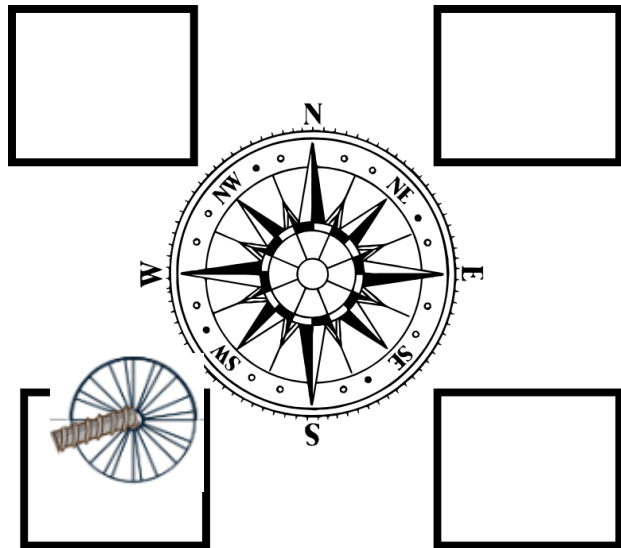
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2 In between the 4 cardinal directions are more specific directions called intermediate directions. These point out the halfway point in between the two cardinal directions. For example, halfway between North and East would be Northeast (NE).

Help Ari create and pack these additional items for their adventure by creating items that are made of half of each of the cardinal direction images you found.



Activity 1

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1 Ari has landed on Mars! Since Mars has its own magnetic field, Ari needs to orient itself in order to use its compass to navigate. Place Ari at their landing spot and Set North based on the fact that North is the top of this map. From Ari's landing spot, what direction is each of the following landmarks?

Landmark	Direction from Ari's landing spot
 mountain	
 crater	
 sand dunes	
 volcano	
 ice	

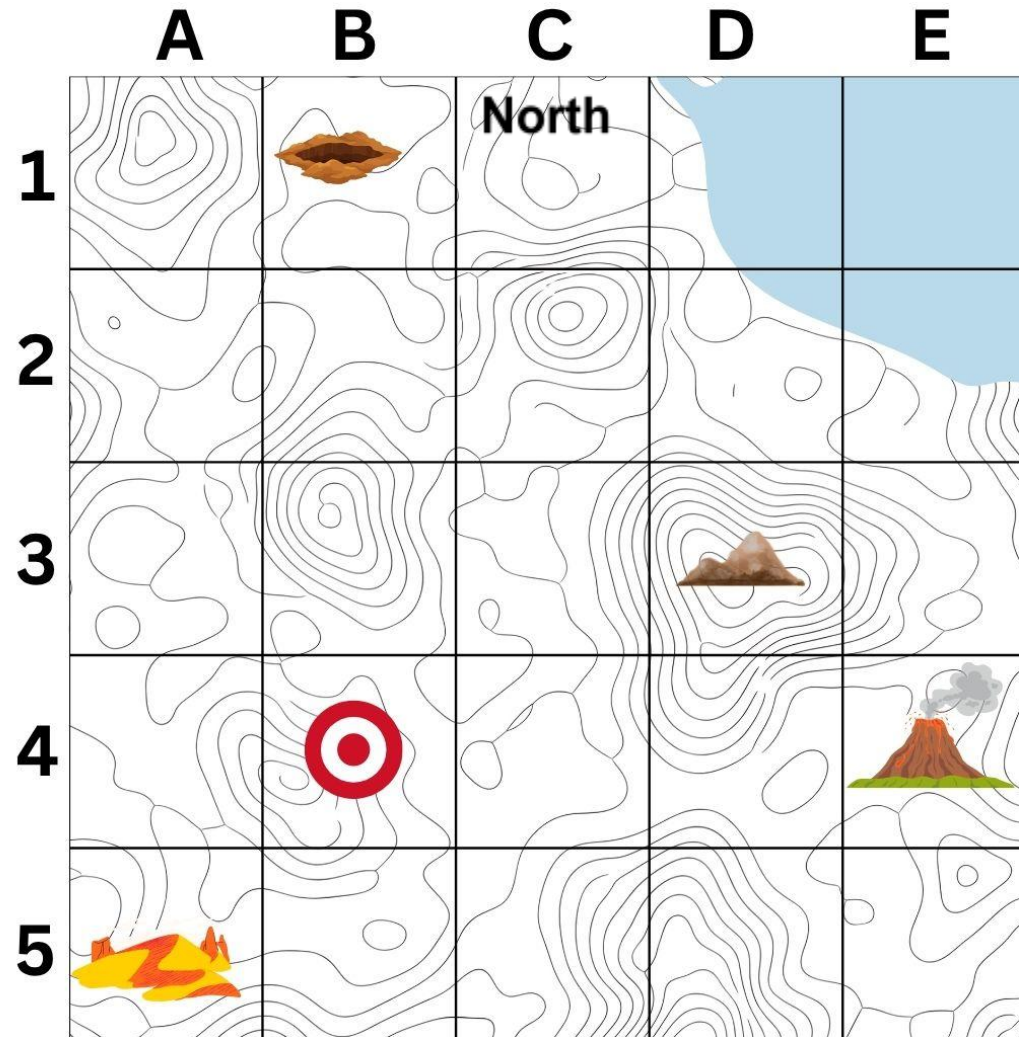
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Key

-  mountain
-  crater
-  sand dunes
-  volcano
-  ice
-  Ari's landing spot



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2 Ari starts exploring the area. Use the directions below to move Ari around Mars on their exploration. Draw a line to show the trail that Ari takes.

Ari's Adventure

1. Ari begins at their landing spot.
 - Where are they located on the map? _____
2. Ari travels 2 mars units north.
 - Where are they located on the map? _____
3. Ari travels east 4 units.
 - Where are they located on the map? _____
 - Describe Ari's environment: _____
4. From here, Ari travels 2 units to the south.
 - Circle the landmark where Ari arrives.
5. Ari travels three units Northeast to escape.
 - Where are they located on the map? _____
 - Why might it take Ari a long time to complete this part of their journey? _____
6. What feature is Ari near now? _____



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Activity 2

Ari's Bad Day

1 Ari is stuck in a crater! Thankfully, they have all of the items that they packed with them from learning about the cardinal and intermediate directions. Draw an image to show how you think Ari can get themselves out of the crater using their items.

2 Explain your idea.



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Exit Ticket

1. Now that Ari is out, they want to get back to their landing spot to reorganize their items. Help Ari navigate back to their landing spot by writing a set of directions using cardinal and/or intermediate directions.

Criteria for Success:

- Accurate use of compass and/or intermediate directions and distance words or measurements

2. Good news! Ari has been delivered a dump truck to help move sand from the sand dunes to the crater to make sure no one else gets stuck. Direct Ari to the sand dunes to get sand and then to back to the crater to dump the sand.

Criteria for Success:

- Accurate use of compass and/or intermediate directions and distance words or measurements
- Directions are organized in a clear, step-by-step sequence that someone could follow to reach the destination

