



# Let's Get Started Orienteering

Part 4
Orienteering
Maps







We have a map and a course and know how to set our maps!

But can we do some "real" orienteering now?





We need to learn about orienteering maps



Orienteering Maps
All appear different but all use the same colours and symbols



What do you think this colour is used for?







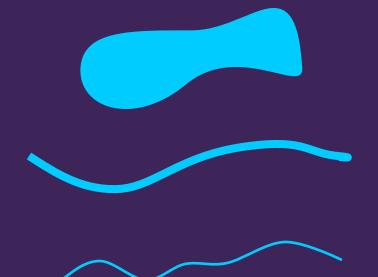
#### Water

**Ponds** 

Rivers

Streams

Marsh







What do you think this colour is used for?







## Open Land

Grass

**Fields** 

Open Hillside



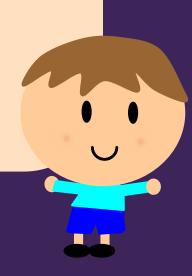


A paler colour is used for "rough" open land



What do you think this colour is used for?







#### Paved Areas

Roads

**Pavements** 

Playgrounds

Stairs



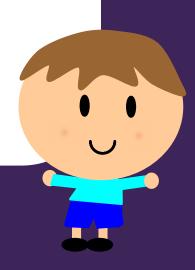






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#### Forest 'Run'





Woodland which it is easy to run through











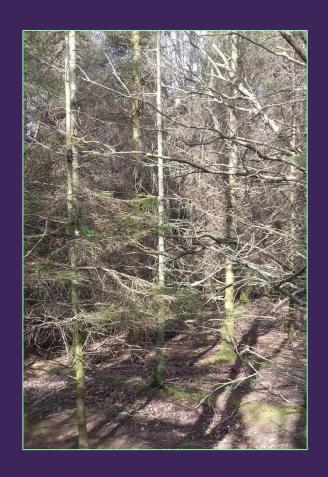
#### Forest 'Walk'

Woodland which you can walk through but not run

Branches in the way

Trees closer together

Branches on the ground





What about the darker green?







# Forest 'Fight'

# Dense woodland which is very difficult to get through





Deep, dark woods!



#### Thicket

#### Small area of dense bushes

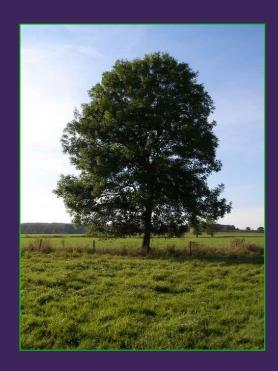






## Distinctive Tree





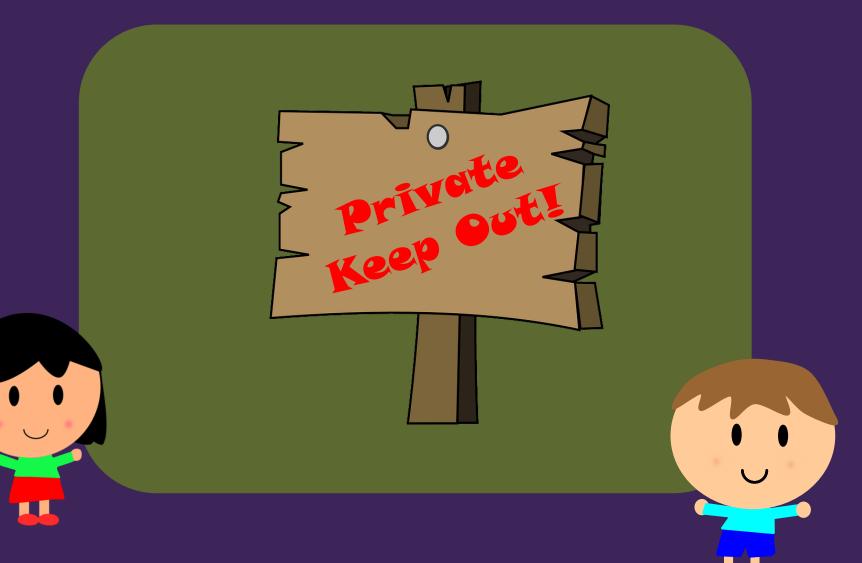




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#### Man Made

#### Buildings









On urban maps buildings may appear as dark grey rather than black

Black also used for symbols representing man-made objects





#### Fence







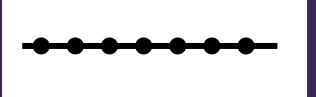


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#### High or uncrossable Fence







#### Wall









Paths (unpaved)



Thickness of line indicates path size



#### Special Items



















Let's look at an example

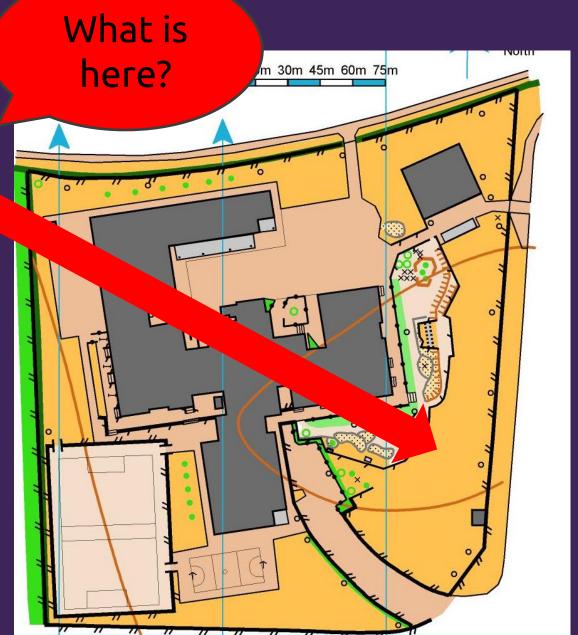
That seems like a lot to remember





















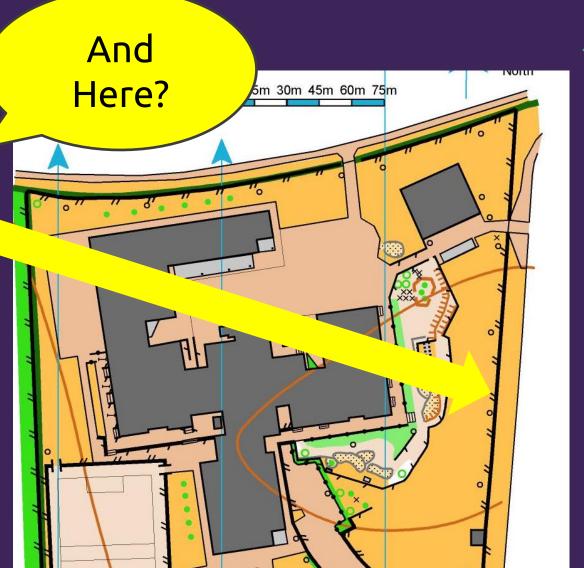


#### And Here?













#### Contours



The earth isn't flat - but paper is

Need a way to represent hills and slopes

Contour Lines

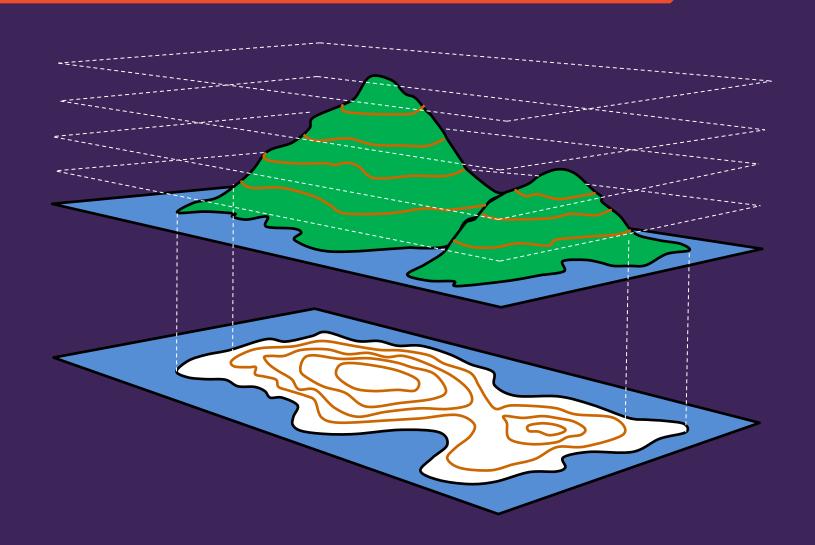
Brown lines drawn on the map join points of equal height

Height between 2 lines is normally 5 metres





## Contours





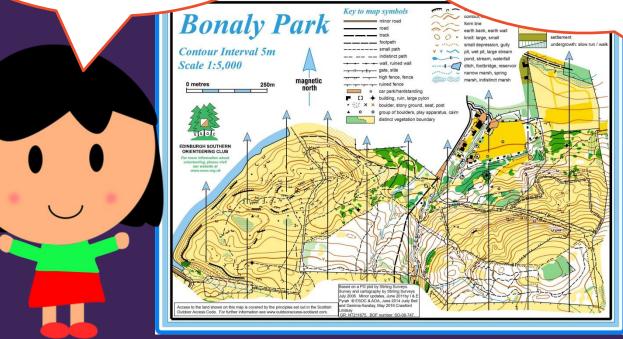
# Contour Example

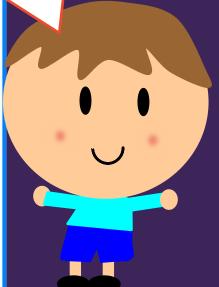




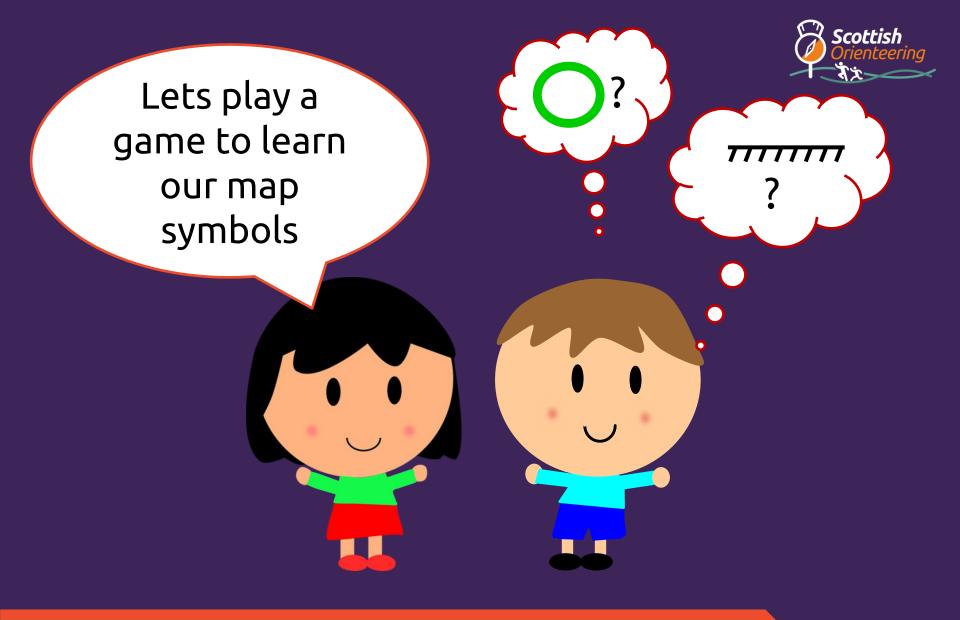
North Lines – to help you keep your map set

Why does my map have lines going from top to bottom?





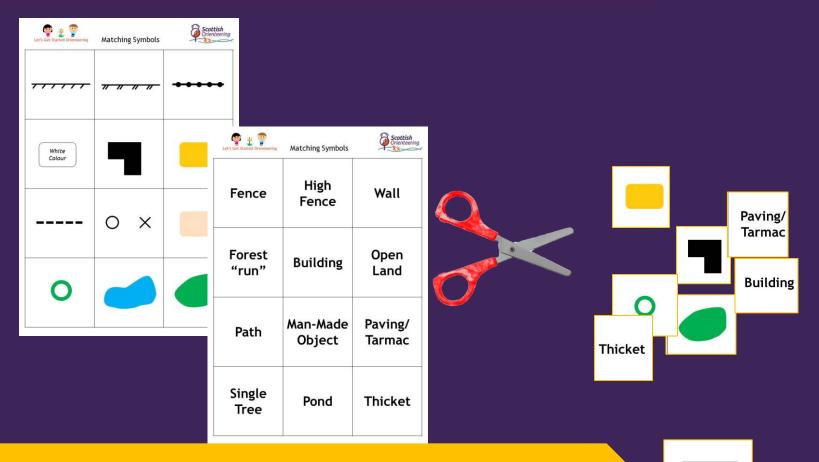
Remember to keep your map set



Symbol Matching Game

# Print out the symbols and words and cut into the squares





How quickly can you match them all?



#### Turn it into a race



Print out more than 1 set

Put all the cards in sets at one side of the room or garden

Go to the other side and on "GO" run up and collect 1 card and bring it back

Keep repeating until you have collected them all

Winner is the 1st person to have them all matched



You can also try some map jigsaw games

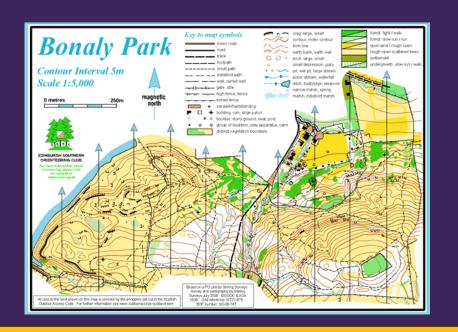




Map Jigsaws

#### Print out a map and cut it up







Muddle up the pieces and remake

Turn it into a relay race

Have 1 map for each person/team



# Activity 1: Try the Symbol Matching Game

Activity 2: Try some map jigsaws

Activity 3 : Draw a map using orienteering symbols

