

Our Geography Learning Journey

Key vocabulary:

Map

Symbols

Aerial view

Field work

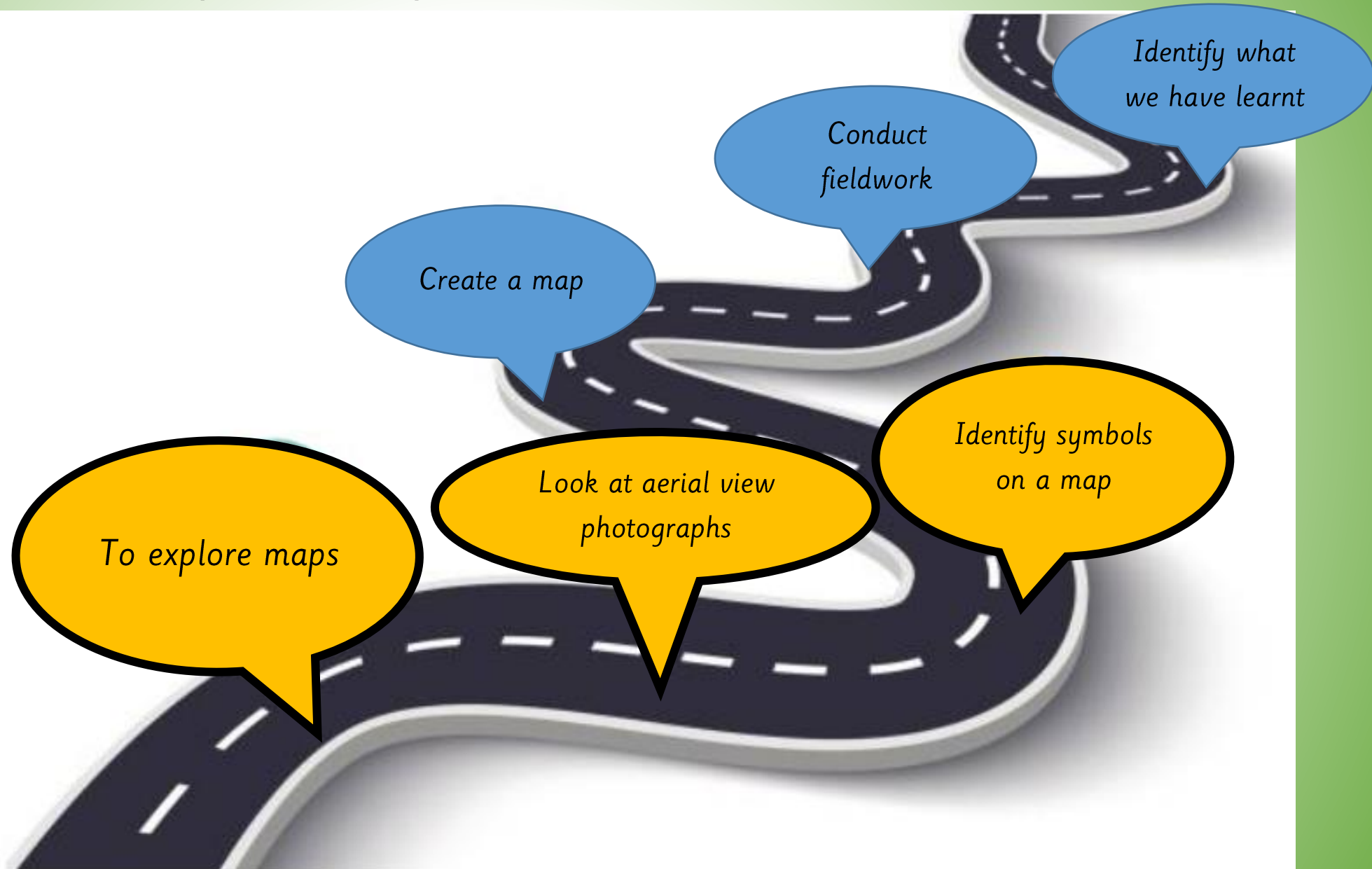
Human feature

Physical feature

Travel

Birds eye view

Ground View



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LQ: Can I identify symbols on a map?

Steps to Success

All – I can name a symbol.

Most - I can identify symbols.

Some – I can explain what the symbols mean.



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aerial view



STAR WORDS



maps



symbols



Recap

TPs- What is an aerial view?

An aerial view is the viewpoint seen from above. This is also known as a birds eye view.

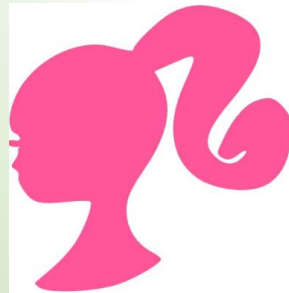


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Today we will be looking at maps and identifying symbols.

TPs- Do you recognise these symbols?



Symbols help us to identify things.

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TPs- What are map symbols?

Where do we see map symbols?



A map symbol is used to represent and identify features on a map. They are used to help us understand what things are such as school, shops, hospitals, roads, parks etc.



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Let's find out more about map symbols and how to follow a map.



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zqj3n9q/articles/zjd66v4>

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Maps are too small to contain lots of writing; instead, symbols are used to represent real-life features, such as roads, buildings and important landmarks. This makes the maps easier to read.

Let's take a look at these symbols.



Hospital



School



Restaurant



Train station



Supermarket/
shops



Hotel

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TPs- What do you think these symbols represent?



school



museum

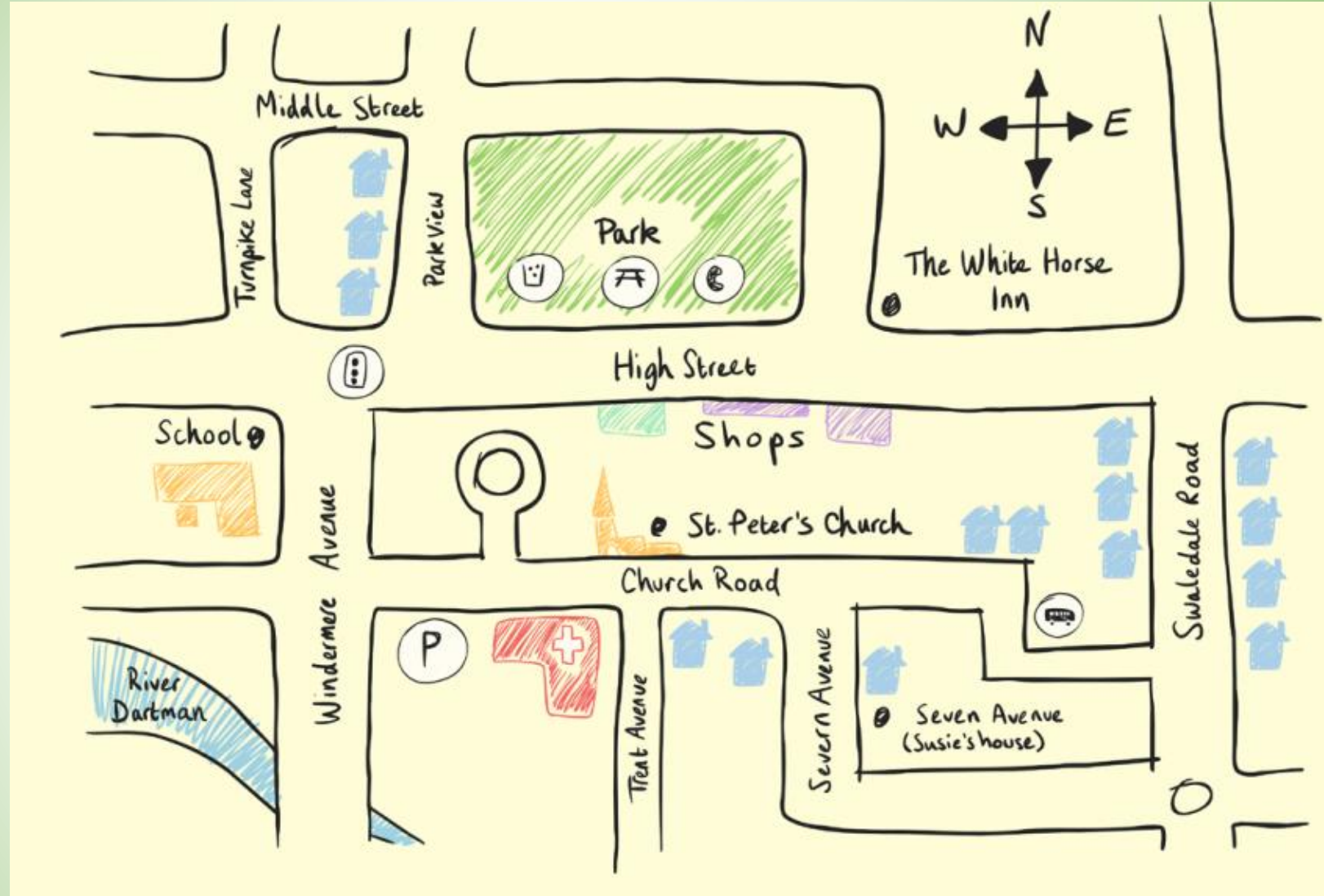


flower garden

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-  Bus stop
-  Telephone
-  Park
-  Litter bin
-  Traffic lights
-  Parking



Use the **key** to help you.

TPs- What are these symbols?

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London underground map



TPs: What symbols can you identify?

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Road map



TPs: What symbols can you identify?

Self assessment

Do you understand how to find symbols on a map?



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Location map



TPs: What symbols can you identify?

TASK

With a partner, look at the maps on the tables and locate different symbols. Tell your partner or an adult what the symbols are.



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Discussion based lesson. Children to explore different maps, identify map symbols and discuss what they represent.

Self assessment
Do you understand the task?