

Spelling list: Geography - Map Skills

Year 7 Key words

boundary	The line showing the edge of a country or state or district is called a boundary .
census	Every ten years a census is held in the UK, it is a survey on the entire population.
cartography	Cartography is the drawing and study of maps and charts.
cross-section	A cross-section is a vertical cut of the landscape showing the changes in level.
direction	Direction is shown on a map by a compass.
distribution	Distribution is how things are shared out, arranged or placed.
elevation	Elevation is the height of a point on the surface of the Earth, above sea level.
equator	The equator is half way between north and south poles.
equinox	The day that the Sun is directly over the Equator is called an equinox .
Key	A key on a map is a set of symbols and their meanings.
grid	Grids on a map are patterns of vertical and horizontal lines.
fieldwork	Fieldwork is observing and measuring things outside.
island	If land is surrounded by water, it is an island .
Atlas	An Atlas is a book of maps.
map	A map is a diagram of a place or region from above, usually drawn to scale.
longitude	Longitude is how far East or West a place is from the Equator.
Millibar	A Millibar is a unit of atmospheric pressure, one thousandth of a bar.

scale	The ratio between the distance measured on a map and the actual distance is called scale .
relief	Relief is the physical shape of the land.
route	The route is the path of a journey.