# Where is coal mined in the local area?

# Using key geographical skills

Vocabulary	Definition
Compass Points	A dial which shows direction (north, east, south, west)
4-figure grid references	4 figures which are used to locate an area on a map
6-figure grid references	6 figures which are used to locate an area on a map
Coal seams	A bed of coal which is thick enough to be mined
Ordnance Survey Maps	A map which shows the whole physical landscape of an area
Human Feature	A feature that is made by humans, like a road
Physical Feature	A feature that is natural, like a river
Key	Tells you what each symbol means on a map

### Ordnance Survey (OS) Maps



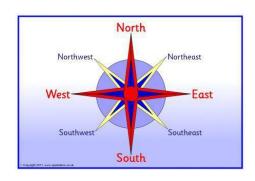
OS maps show physical and human features as symbols. This makes the maps easier to read. Each OS map has a key to show what the symbols mean. Maps show objects as being much smaller than they are in real life.

#### **Compass Points**

We use compass points to describe position and direction.

There are four main (cardinal) points of the compass:

North, East, South, West



# **Grid References**

Your map is criss-crossed with lots of horizontal and vertical lines. This creates lots of squares, known as a grid. Using the grid and squares helps to narrow the area to search – making it easier to locate features on the map!

