

What's on a Map?

Below is a picture which shows you what you will find on a map we use in cadets. If you went out to the shops and bought a map it would be set out differently as the maps we use are an older version. Although they are set out differently they will include similar information.

1. Units of Elevation e.g. "Heights in Metres"
2. Angular difference true, grid and magnetic north
3. Degrees and Minutes of longitude (you don't need to worry about that)
4. Map Title e.g. "Ashford & Romney Marsh"
5. Sheet (Map) Identification e.g. Series M726 (type and scaling of map)
Sheet 189 (area covered by map)
Edition 4 – GSGS (Geographical Section General Staff, Authority in UK)
6. Conventional Signs (Map Symbols)
7. How to give a Grid Reference
8. Height Conversion (metres and feet)
9. Adjoining Sheet Details
10. North Points
11. Compilation and Revision
12. Derivation of Contours
13. Scale and Scale Lines (Kilometres, Statue Miles & Nautical Miles)
14. Grid Numbers (Eastings)
15. Degrees and Minutes of latitude (you don't need to worry about this)
16. Grid Numbers (Northings)

