The Compass Rose

The Compass Rose is a printable set that the children can use to learn the cardinal directions of a compass.

Look through all the pages carefully before printing this set. There are a variety of sizes, color, black & white, work cards, and control cards. Decide which size, color and format you wish to use - and then print those pages only.

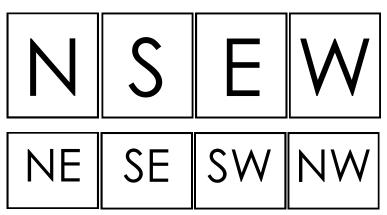
Children who are non-writers

The labels below can be printed, cut out, and used with the blank work cards.

Children who are writers

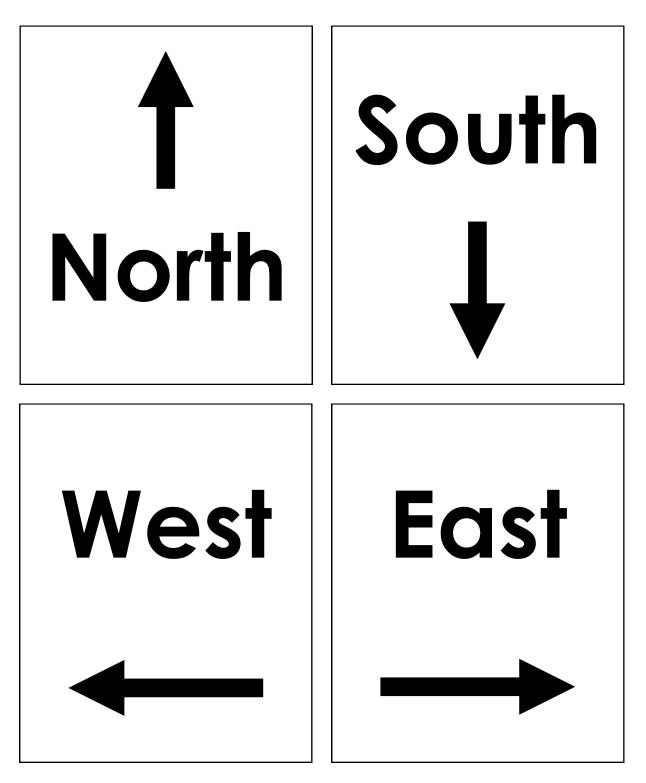
Laminate the work cards **or** insert them into plastic page protectors. The child can use Dry-Erase markers to fill in the missing labels. When finished the labels can be erased with a soft cloth for the next child to use.

Printable labels to be used with the blank work cards



North	South	East	West
North		Northeast	
South		Southeast	
East		Northwest	
West		Southwest	

These direction cards can be used when introducing a child to the process of using a compass. Explain that the Earth has a magnetic North Pole. The compass needle always points towards the Earth's magnetic North Pole. Once the child has positioned himself in the position of North, they should lay the "North" card on the floor in front of them. Have them continue to lay the South, East, and West cards.



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