

Park Map Detectives

Use a legend and direction words to describe places.

2.5d "The location and place of physical features and man-made structures can be described using symbols and specific geography vocabulary."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle each phrase that tells what a map symbol means, and underline each direction word.

A Guide to Willow Park

- ① At Willow Park, a small map helps visitors find places. The map's legend explains its symbols. A wavy blue line stands for the river. A group of tiny tree shapes stands for the woods. These are physical features.
- ② On the map, a black square is the visitor center, a man-made structure. The playground has a swing symbol. It is east of the visitor center. A bridge crosses the river north of the playground. The bridge is also a man-made structure.
- ③ To reach the picnic tables, walk southeast from the visitor center. The tables are beside a lake, another physical feature. The restroom is west of the lake. When you use the legend and direction words, you can describe where each place is.

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ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1

What symbol stands for the river?

2

Where is the bridge compared with the playground?

3

Which place is southeast of the visitor center?

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YOUR TURN

Your own words

Make a key for an imaginary park. In each row, draw a symbol, name what it shows, and tell where it is using a direction word. Include at least one physical feature and one man-made structure.

SYMBOL	WHAT IT SHOWS	WHERE IT IS

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Circle each phrase that tells what a map symbol means, and underline each direction word. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What symbol stands for the river?	A wavy blue line.
2	Where is the bridge compared with the playground?	The bridge is north of the playground.
3	Which place is southeast of the visitor center?	The picnic tables are southeast of the visitor center.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

SYMBOL	WHAT IT SHOWS	WHERE IT IS
~~~~	River, physical feature	North of the library
□	Library, man-made structure	South of the river
○	Playground, man-made structure	South of the library

Accept any clear student-created symbols if the key names the place and gives a sensible direction relationship. The completed key must include at least one physical feature and one man-made structure.