

Direction Detectives

Students use north, east, south, and west to locate places from oral clues.

1.3.B "locate places using the four cardinal directions."

NAME _____

DATE _____

Teacher: this page is run aloud. The script and answers are on the guide page.

1 CIRCLE IT

a	EAST	NORTH	WEST	SOUTH
b	WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
c	SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
d	EAST	WEST	SOUTH	NORTH

2 WRITE A LETTER

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HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Read each place clue aloud and have students find the direction of the second place named. In Part 1, students circle a direction word. In Part 2, students write the first letter of the direction word.

Students never read directions on this sheet. Read each part's script aloud, then each prompt, giving think time before students mark.

PART 1 • CIRCLE IT

SAY “We will use direction words to tell where places are. I will read the direction words and a clue. Listen for where the second place is from the first place, then circle the word that answers the question.”

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	Read the words with me: EAST, NORTH, WEST, SOUTH. The bakery is east of the fire station. Which word tells where the bakery is from the fire station? Circle it.	EAST
b	Read the words with me: WEST, NORTH, EAST, SOUTH. The lake is south of the zoo. Which word tells where the lake is from the zoo? Circle it.	SOUTH
c	Read the words with me: SOUTH, WEST, NORTH, EAST. The museum is north of the playground. Which word tells where the museum is from the playground? Circle it.	NORTH
d	Read the words with me: EAST, WEST, SOUTH, NORTH. The bus stop is west of the school. Which word tells where the bus stop is from the school? Circle it.	WEST

PART 2 • WRITE A LETTER

SAY “Now write the first letter of the direction word. Listen to each clue, decide which direction tells where the second place is, and write its first letter in the box.”

- Box 1 (beside 1): **S**
- Box 2 (beside 2): **W**

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Part 1 answers are EAST, SOUTH, NORTH, and WEST. For Part 2, read these clues aloud in order: "The garden is south of the library. What first letter tells where the garden is from the library?" and "The store is west of the park. What first letter tells where the store is from the park?" Accept uppercase or lowercase S and W.