

Camp@Home - Activities

This activity idea was originally part of a Durham Scouts [Camp@Home](#) event. It has been adapted for broader use as part of the Scouting from Home programme

Activities at home should always be risk assessed and supervised by parents/carers, taking note of the specific safety advice provided



Learn Some Map Skills



Many of our young people will be able to read a map or recognise some map symbols – there are however a whole load of skills and techniques that are needed to become a successful navigator.

Things like bearings, grid references, scales and contours are also an essential part of many of our activity badges in Scouts, specifically the Staged Navigator Badge.

Luckily the Ordnance Survey have a great set of fun and interactive tools on the [Map Skills](#) pages of their website which can teach you a lot of these techniques and help you many of the requirements of our Navigator Badge. If your Scout section is meeting face-to-face we are encouraging outdoor activities, so your leaders could arrange to do some of the outdoor sections of the badge requirements.



If your section isn't meeting face-to-face you could go out with members of your household (please check local restrictions on social mixing outdoors before going out with anyone else)

Whether you're a Beaver or Cub Scouts new to maps and navigation, or a Scout or Explorer Scouts who needs to check your knowledge and keep your skills up to date, the Map Skills pages have some useful content for you.



Navigator Staged Activity Badge

<https://www.scouts.org.uk/staged-badges/navigator/stage-2>

This activity could meet the following requirements:

Stage 2

1. Learn how to read a four-figure grid reference.
2. Understand how to use the key of a map (map symbols)
6. Learn the eight points of a compass and use them in an activity.

Stage 3

1. Learn how to read a four-figure grid reference.
2. Understand contour lines on an Ordnance Survey map.