

Explorer class

Area8 Curriculum camp 2021



Six points of a good campsite

Six W's of a good camp site

- **Wind** – is the site sheltered from wind?
- **Water** – is there clean running water?
- **Weather** – what will the weather be like on the site?
- **Wild things** – will there be any large mammals, insects (ants, mosquitos), spiders, snakes etc?
- **Wood** – is there enough wood for fire? Will wood or trees fall on me with high wind?
- **Willingness** – do I have a permission from the land-owner to camp?



Choose a well drained level ground



Choose a dry area



Stay away
from mosquito
-infested
swamps



Never camp on overhanging ledge, a cliff edge; or under a cliff



Do not camp under trees with large dead branches



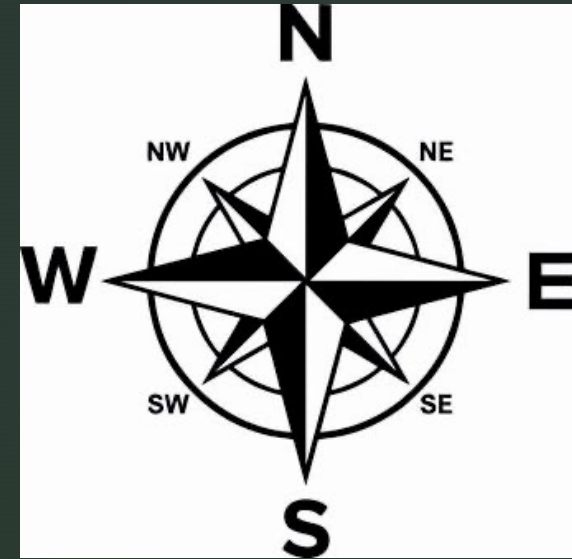
▲ Camp on hillside or hilltop rather than in a low area – cold air and rain go downhill



Hard, dusty, rocky terrain makes a poor campsite



Place the tent in a southeast direction so it can dry quickly in the morning sun



- ▶ Pitch the tent with the door away from prevailing wind



▲ A plentiful dry wood supply is important



- ▶ Having plenty of safe drinking water is important!



