

Theale Primary School

Geography: Summer Term 2023

Year: 6

Topic: Ordnance survey maps

Key Vocabulary	
Abrasion	The process of scraping of wearing something away.
Erosion	The wearing away of land by water, wind or ice.
Geology	The science dealing with the physical structure of the earth and the processes that act on it.
Hydraulic action	Erosion that occurs through the movement of water against rock.
Кеч	Included with a map to give you the information needed for the map to make sense.
Мар	A representation of an area of land or sea showing Physical features, cities, roads etc.
Symbol	A mark or picture used to represent an object, function or process.

OS map symbols	
Coniferous wood Non-coniferous wood Mixed wood	
Place of worship with spire, minaret or dome without such additions	



Contours

On OS maps these are orange/brown and are drawn to join places of the same height. If the lines are close together the land is steep, if the lines are far apart the land is flat or gently contoured.

