

Subject: Exploring home country with a bike - Cardinal Directions and the Compass Rose.

Students' age: 6-8

Time: 45 minutes

Goals:

- students know the directions of the world;
- students can read a compass and go in the correct direction.

LESSON STAGES:

Introduction:

1. Teacher shows a map and points the picture with the directions of the world. Teacher asks students if they know what the picture means and what the letters „N”, „S”, „E”, „W” stand for.

Main stage:

1 Teacher explains the meaning of the letters and shows that these letters we can also find on a compass.

2. On a school field, teacher creates a maze using tapes or lines. The maze should be big enough to ride a bike inside of it. There should be set the check points with some commands for students e.g. „Go west”, „Go south” etc.

3. Students get the compasses and riding their bikes they should get across the maze. Students stop near each check point and read the instructions, check the compasses and ride in the correct direction.

Summing-up:

1. Teacher gives the maps and asks students in which directions they can find some famous places in a town or country. (This point can be also given as homework)