## **Using an Ordnance Survey Map**

**Find out what these symbols stand for . . .** use the key on your Ordanance Survey map to find out what the symbols are and write the meaning below each symbol.





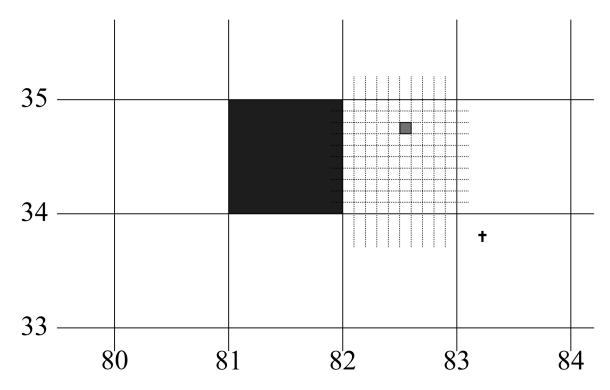




Using grid references . . .

All Ordnance Survey maps are based upon a grid. This is used for locating a point on the map. See the map below which has numbers down the side and along the bottom of the map.

When reading grid references you first of all read the eastings (across the corridor) and then the northings (up the stairs). Each square is then



Now to test your ability to read a map, using the map above and locations below find the four-figure grid reference for each point and write it in the spaces provided.

- 1) The location of the blue square is 81,34
- 2) The location of the red square is \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) The location of the church is \_\_\_\_\_\_,\_\_\_\_

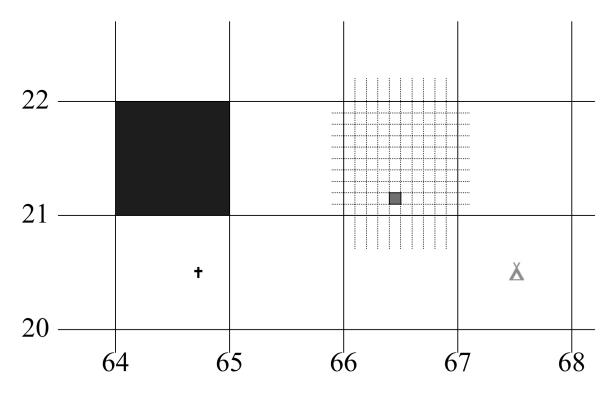
A four figure grid reference gives the location of a point on a map to 1km square. To find a more exact location you would use a six figure grid reference.

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To find a six figure grid reference you should first find the four figure grid reference leaving a space after each set of numbers, like this: 81\_\_\_, 34 \_\_\_

Then in that square that you have located, you need to imagine that this is divided up into 100 smaller squares with 10 along each side.

Then continuing to go along the corridor and then up the stairs, work out the extra numbers you need and put them into the spaces you left when you completed four figure grid reference (you should then have your six figure grid reference).



Using the map above, find the six figure grid references for the locations below:

- 1) The location of the red square is: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_