Map and Globe Skills

**Compass Rose**: a circular diagram printed on a chart or map to show the direction of north and other main points of the compass.

**Grid System**: a way used to locate a place on the map. *(Latitude and Longitude)*

**Equator**: This IMAGINARY line crosses our planet in the middle. Above it is the North Hemisphere. Below is the South Hemisphere.

**Hemisphere**: half of a sphere.

**Map Key**: Tells you what the symbols stand for. It is found on the corner of the map.

**Locator**: A small map or picture of a globe that shows where an area on the main map is found in a state, on a continent, or in the world.

**Cardinal Directions**: The basic directions on a map called North, South, East, and West.

**Intermediate Directions**: Northeast, Northwest, Southeast, and Southwest.

**Prime Meridian**: An imaginary longitudinal line that divides the Earth’s Sphere into halves of East and West.

**Map Scale**: A ratio that compares distance on a map to distance on Earth’s surface.

**Inset Map**: a smaller map within a larger one.