

*It is very important that you do the worksheet named “map skills summary 1” before you do this one. It sets the foundation.*

### South Africa

The country we live in is called **South Africa**. It is found on the continent of **Africa**. The name of this country also tells us the compass direction where it is found in Africa. It is found on the *south end* of the continent. There are oceans along the east, south and west coasts of South Africa. These oceans are the **Indian Ocean** and the **Atlantic Ocean**.

- An **ocean** is a large area of salt water
- A **coast** is where land and sea (ocean) meet.
- South Africa is broken into nine (9) smaller parts called **provinces**. This is to make it easier for the government to rule. Here is the list of the provinces in alphabetical order:
  1. Eastern Cape
  2. Free State
  3. Gauteng
  4. KwaZulu Natal
  5. Limpopo
  6. Mpumalanga
  7. Northern Cape
  8. North-west
  9. Western Cape
- Africa is one of seven (7) continents in the world.

**Look at the map of the world below in order to see where the continent of Africa is.**



N.B. The **world** is not flat, but it **is round like a ball**. It is a **sphere**. However, when we draw the map of the world on paper, we draw it flat, like the one above.

### Map of South Africa



**N.B** Mmabatho is the old name for Mahikeng, the provincial capital of North-west.

### Activity 1 – Map work (provide short answers only)

1. Look at the map of South Africa above and answer these questions.
- 1.1 Name six (6) countries that share borders with South Africa (that are found next to South Africa). We call these six countries South Africa's neighbours.

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1.2 What name has been used for the key on this map? \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

1.3 The map of South Africa above shows the nine provinces and their capital cities. What other information does the map show according to the legend? List any two.

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1.4 Match each of the major cities in the box to the province it can be found in. (**Write the correct city next to province in the second column of the table**).

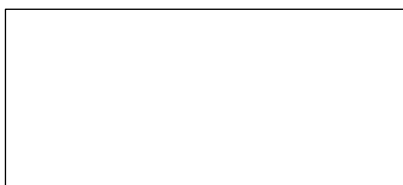
East London	Ulundi	Mahikeng
Cape Town	Polokwane	

Province	Major city
1.North West	
2.Western Cape	
3.Eastern Cape	
4. Limpopo	
5.KwaZulu Natal	

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1.5 Draw a symbol which shows a:

a) country boundary (border)



b) executive country capital



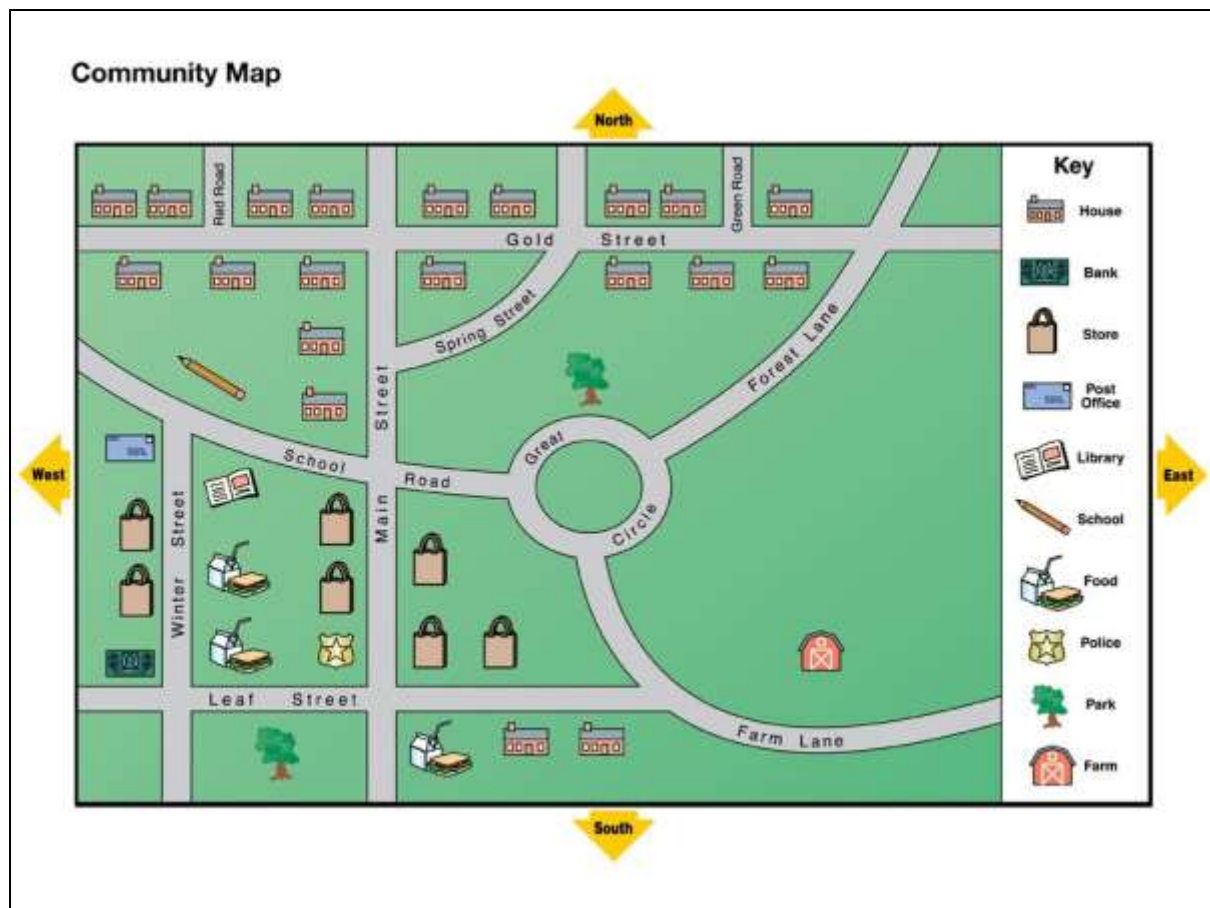
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2. Use the community map on the next page to answer these questions.

2.1 What symbol has been used to represent a school on the map? Draw it in the box below.



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2.2 What is found west of the police station?

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2.3 How many stores are found on this map? \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

2.4 How many of these stores are found between the bank and the post office?

\_\_\_\_\_ [1]

2.5 Name the first building found north of the library. \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

2.6 Give directions to go from the post office to the police station. Use the names of streets and the words "turn", "left", "right", "straight", etc.

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