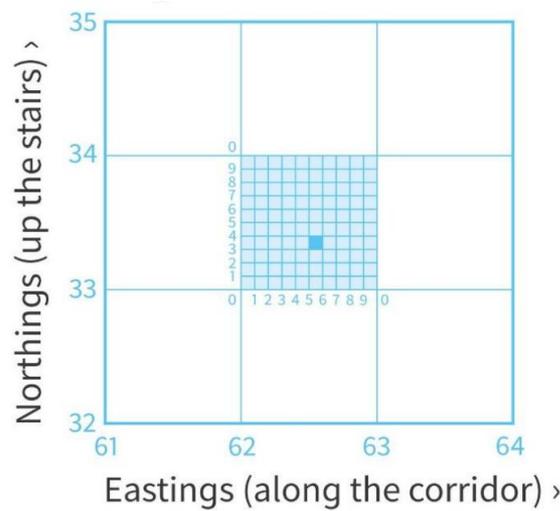


# Geography Knowledge Organiser

## Year 7: Geography Skills

Key Word	Definition
Human Geography	The study of people and their communities and interactions with the environment.
Physical Geography	The study of the natural features of the world.
Compass Directions	A range of directions used for navigation and wind directions. 4-point, 8-point and 16-point compasses can be used.
Latitude	How far a place is north or south of the equator it is measured in degrees.
Longitude	How far a place is east or west of the Prime Meridian; it is measured in degrees.
Continent	A very large landmass.
Country	A nation with its own government, occupying a particular area.
Contour Lines	Brown lines on a map joining points of equal height above (or below) sea level.
Scale	A scale line or scale ratio are used on maps so distances can be 'scaled up' to the real world.
Grid Reference	A set of numbers that tells you where to find something on a map usually in the form of 4-figure (4 numbers) or 6-figure (6 numbers).

**Useful websites...**  
<https://www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/mapzone/>  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/ztqtyrd/revision/1>



4-figure grid references are used to locate something on an Ordnance Survey map such as the one to the left. The 4-figure reference for the light blue grid is 62 33 (bottom left coordinates of the shaded square).

6-figure grid references are more accurate and used to locate something on as Ordnance Survey map within a particular grid squad, for example, the dark blue square has a 6-figure reference of 625 333.

