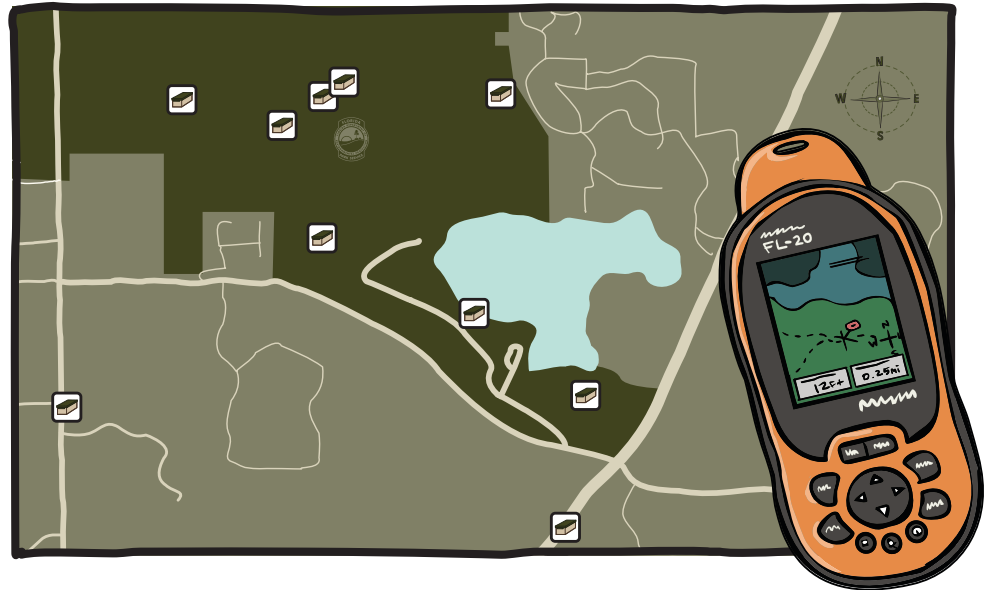


QUEST FOR A CACHE

Name _____

Date _____ Park _____

Early explorers of Florida used stars to help them navigate. Now there are additional tools in space to help people find their way. Satellites surrounding the earth create the Global Positioning System (GPS) which helps people find their way on maps. Park Rangers also use GPS to monitor park resources. Another way GPS can be used is in a fun game called **Geocaching**.



Geocaching is a game of discovery, where adventurers like you use GPS or download a mobile application on a smart device to search for cleverly hidden containers. Geocaching is family-friendly and can lead you outdoors to explore new park locations.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

Let's break it down.

You can learn more about Geocaching at www.geocaching.com/guide and discover caches hidden in Florida State Parks at www.floridastateparks.org.



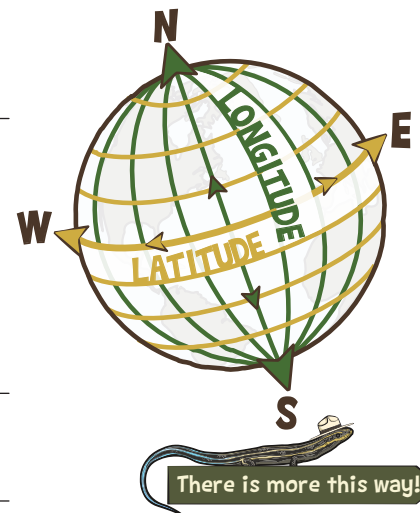
Ask a parent or guardian for permission before going online!

What is one thing you learned about Geocaching from visiting www.geocaching.com or www.floridastateparks.org?

Coordinates are composed of **Latitude** and **Longitude**. **Latitude** tells you where something is north to south. **Longitude** tells you where something is east to west. What are the coordinates of the cache you intend to find?

Latitude: _____

Longitude: _____





RECREATION ACTIVITY

GEOCACHING

Now that you have learned about Geocaching, try it for yourself! Be sure to bring a parent or guardian when you go Geocaching, then answer the questions below about your adventure.

Draw three things you observed while searching for the cache. They could be plants, animals or historic markers.

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1. List the names of the three people who found the cache before you.

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

2. What is the name of the cache you found?

3. If you took a piece of swag from the cache, what did you leave in its place?

4. What did you like best about your Geocaching experience?

