



CLASS 4 EVS · 2026-27

Our country: states, travel and directions

India, maps and travel

34

QUESTIONS

20

MINUTES

3

EXERCISES

This belongs to _____

Date _____

WHAT YOU'LL GET GOOD AT

- Names the four main directions and uses them to describe a position
- Matches well-known Indian states to their capitals
- Chooses a sensible means of travel for a given journey and says why

Take your time, and have a go at every one. If you get stuck, look at the orange box — Ollie has already done one for you.

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Exercise 1 of 3 · 12 questions Fill in the direction.



FILL IN THE BLANK

HERE'S ONE DONE FOR YOU

The sun rises in the ____ -> east. The last one is the only one that needs working out rather than recalling: stand facing east, and north is on your left, south on your right. Doing it standing up once fixes it better than any diagram.

1) The sun rises in the ____.

2) The sun sets in the ____.

3) The Himalayas are in the ____ of India.

4) The Indian Ocean is to the ____ of India.

5) If you face east, north is on your ____ hand.

6) If you face north, east is on your ____ hand.

7) Sri Lanka is to the ____ of India.

8) The Thar Desert is in the ____ of India.

9) The Arabian Sea is to the ____ of India.

10) The Bay of Bengal is to the ____ of India.

11) A compass needle always points to the ____.

12) At noon your shadow is shortest and points roughly ____.

Exercise 2 of 3 · 12 questions Write the capital of each state.

WRITE THE ANSWER

HERE'S ONE DONE FOR YOU

Karnataka -> Bengaluru. Start with your own state and the ones next to it - a child who learns their own region first has somewhere to attach the rest. Learning all twenty-eight as a list in one week is how they are forgotten by the following month.

1) Karnataka

2) Maharashtra

3) Tamil Nadu

4) West Bengal

5) Rajasthan

6) Kerala

7) Gujarat

8) Punjab

9) Bihar

10) Odisha

11) Assam

12) Telangana

Exercise 3 of 3 · 10 questions Which way would you travel, and why? One sentence each. ☐

WRITE THE ANSWER

HERE'S ONE DONE FOR YOU

From your house to a shop in the next street -> on foot, because it is very close and does not need a vehicle. The mark is for the reason, not the choice. 'By car' with a good reason would also be accepted; 'aeroplane' would not, and your child should be able to say why.

1) From your house to a shop in the next street

2) From Bengaluru to Delhi in one day

3) From the mainland to an island

4) Carrying vegetables from a farm to a nearby town

5) From Chennai to Port Blair in the Andaman Islands

6) Up a steep hill path where no road has been built

7) Carrying coal from a mine to a factory 800 km away

8) Taking an injured person to hospital quickly

9) From one bank of a wide river to the other, where there is no bridge

10) Going three kilometres to school every morning

**All done? How did that feel?**

Colour in a star. Three stars means you could teach it to someone else.



Tricky · Getting there · Easy now



Answer key

For grown-ups

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1. Fill in the direction.

- 1) east
- 2) west
- 3) north
- 4) south
- 5) left
- 6) right
- 7) south
- 8) west
- 9) west
- 10) east
- 11) north
- 12) north

2. Write the capital of each state.

- 1) Bengaluru
- 2) Mumbai
- 3) Chennai
- 4) Kolkata
- 5) Jaipur
- 6) Thiruvananthapuram
- 7) Gandhinagar
- 8) Chandigarh
- 9) Patna
- 10) Bhubaneswar
- 11) Dispur
- 12) Hyderabad

3. Which way would you travel, and why? One sentence each.

- 1) On foot, because it is very close and does not need a vehicle.
- 2) By aeroplane, because it is very far and the journey has to be finished in one day.
- 3) By ship or boat, because there is water in between and no road.
- 4) By truck or lorry, because it can carry a heavy load over a short distance by road.
- 5) By ship or aeroplane, because the islands are across the sea.
- 6) On foot or by mule, because vehicles cannot climb where there is no road.
- 7) By goods train, because a train carries very heavy loads cheaply over long distances.
- 8) By ambulance, because it is fast and other vehicles give way to it.
- 9) By boat or ferry, because there is no road across the water.
- 10) By bicycle or school bus, because it is too far to walk every day but still close by.

WHILE YOUR CHILD WORKS

- Do the direction question standing up, facing the actual sunrise if you can. Two minutes of that beats any amount of diagram work.
- Teach your own state and its neighbours first. Twenty-eight capitals learned as a list in one week are gone by the next month.
- In the travel exercise the reason is the answer. Ask 'why not something else?' if your child writes only the vehicle.

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