

ZINC TRAIL – COMPASS CHALLENGE



Can you find nine metal symbols for creepy, poisonous or sweet thing just by following directions with a compass?



1. Find and stand at the start point. Go S.E. along the path a short distance.

CLUE: I am a reptile sometimes called a legless lizard. I eat slugs, worms, spiders and insects. I like the sun, but also like to hide under things. What am I?

2. Turn N. following the path down into the Gully and continue E. along the path as it runs along the bottom of the Gully. Towards the end of the Gully look for some rocks with bright yellowy green lichen on them. Pause here.

CLUE: I am most obvious in autumn. I hide in tunnels I spin and I also make webs to trap my food. I eat butterflies, wasps and flies. What am I?

3. Continue E. to a path T junction. Turn S. Continue to the rusty Badger Bridge.

CLUE: I pretend to have big eyes to scare predators such as mice. I like full sun and take the nectar provided by plants like honeysuckle. What am I?

4. Continue S.W. a short distance.

CLUE: Like other butterflies around here, I am good at camouflage. I feed on nectar, especially from purple flowers such as heather. What am I?

5. Continue S.W. about the same distance

CLUE: I am tatty around the edges and get my name from a white mark under my wing like a comma. I need nettles to thrive. What am I?

6. Continue W. a little way.

CLUE: I am sometimes known as woodbine. I smell very sweet and attract all sorts of flying insects with my delicious nectar. What am I?

7. Continue W. until you meet a path at the bottom of some steps.

CLUE: My antenna are shorter than my body. I make sounds by rubbing my legs against my wings. I like to eat grasses and leaves. What am I?

8. Continue N. W. until halfway up the steps.

CLUE: I am a beetle. My wings are bright red, orange or yellow with black spots. I can be a pest but I help by eating (aphids) greenfly. What am I?

9. Continue N. up steps near where you started.

CLUE: My name is fly agaric and I am poisonous, like many of my fellow fungi. I like shady, cool places. I am eaten by squirrels and rodents. What am I?