



# EXPEDITION SKILLS

RELOCATION WHEN LOST

WEEK 7

## Where am I?

Hopefully you won't need to ask that question while on Expedition. You will have completed all your Navigation training and will have a route planned for your team.

However, even the best navigators can get a bit turned around, so this module will help you use the tools you have to Find Your Way

**As you will have learned from Navigation, the key to good navigation is Observation!**

If you find that you are turned around and don't quite know where you are, here are some helpful steps to help you find your way again.

### Stop!

- Don't look at your map, look around you.
- Can you see any landmarks or features that might be found on your map?
- Are you on a path?
- Can you see a path?

### Where were you when you last knew where you were?

- How long ago did you know where you were?
- What direction have you been walking in since then?
- How far do you think you've walked in that time?
- What did you pass while walking?  
Features, landmarks, signs?

### Look at the Map

- Put all you know about where you were, what you can see, and how much time you've been walking together and see if you can find where you are now, on the map.
- Find your last known point on the map.



- Look at the features around you and compare them to the map (be careful, some features can be found in different places on the map!).
- Pay Careful attention to the direction you are facing and the direction of your map (remember your Navigation Skills)
- What Route were you meant to take? Which route did you take?
- Can you backtrack to your last known point safely?

### What if all of that doesn't work?

- Move around a bit and see if there are any features that can help you locate yourself on the map. (Don't Go Far! 10 metres in any direction can change what you see).
- Look Around, there may be a Signpost or a Path that you can't see until you move around.
- Back track to where you knew where you were.

Being turned around can be scary, even the most experienced explorers have found themselves wondering 'Where am I?'

You might be tempted to look at your map first. A map can't help you unless you know where you are first!

**The best thing to do is look around you**, there will always be some features that you can then use to find your location on the map.

**The best advice any of us can give when on Expedition is to Pay Attention!**

If you are paying attention to where you are and where you are going, you won't get turned around. Most of you will be following trails or paths that are clearly marked, but you can get turned around if you wander off the path or while doing your activity.

**Don't panic!** Follow the steps above and you'll find your way again in no time.

**Well Done!!! You now know how to find out  
where you are if you ever get turned  
around and need to Find Your Way again**

## Emergency Procedures: QUIZ

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1. What is the First thing you should do if you think you are turned around and don't know where you are?
2. What should you do once you have stopped?
3. What are the 3 steps you should follow when you don't know where you are?
4. What kinds of features should you look for around you before looking on a map?
5. What should you do if you have followed the 3 steps and still don't know where you are?
6. What is the Best Advice for not getting turned around while on Expedition?
7. When you realise you are turned around what shouldn't you do?

