Lesson Focus: What do maps tell us?

Materials:

• Internet access for videos

Invitation to Learn:

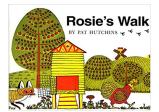
In this lesson you will learn about maps and what they do.

Watch these videos.

As the Crow Flies: A First Book of Maps. By Gail Hartman https://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=zXXjIZBgBIU



Rosie's Walk. By Pat Hutchins

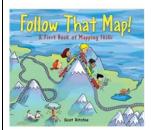


https://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=XHycGh4q58Q

Follow that Map!
A First Book of
Mapping Skills.

https://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=OVuumshdcmA

By Scot Ritchie



Ask and Discuss:

Maps tell stories that are in picture form.

- As you were reading, what did you notice about maps?
- In the book, *Follow that Map!* the first stop on the search was on page 6 (First Stop...). What do you see?
- Can you find the bookstore or Library? How do you know it is a bookstore?
- What is a "Legend"? What does it help you do?
 - A map legend (or key) is a visual explanation of the symbols used on a map.
- What is a "compass rose"? What does it help you do?
 - A drawing that shows different directions on a map.
- Can you think of other ways that maps can help you?

Challenge:

For some reading practice, go back to any of the video stories listed above. Turn off the sound and see if you can read the words and sentences.