

20 Answers to Map Reading Questions Level 1

O.S. Explorer 168 "Stroud, Tetbury & Malmesbury"

1. Lower Lutheredge Farm
2. There are public footpaths, and a restricted byway in this square.
3. Walkers can legitimately use footpaths; when a footpath is included in a POR, the Traceur has obtained Landowner permission to include it.
Walkers, cyclists, horseriders and horse-drawn vehicles can use a restricted byway.
4. From the stables, you'd head Southeast to follow Longlength Lane.
5. Shipton's Grove Lane is shown as a white track with green dots. These used to be known as 'white roads' because they tended to be stoned but without tarmac, or green lanes, because they had a grass surface; OS calls them Other Routes with Public Access (ORPAs) so they are mostly used like BOATs. (See answer to 12, below)
6. The ORPA starts as an enclosed (i.e. fenced, walled or hedged) track; it changes to unenclosed near the unnamed building.
7. The black arrowhead indicates a steep gradient. Black arrowheads always point downhill.
8. In general, blue symbols indicate a tourist or leisure attraction.
9. This one indicates a public house – and it's beside a bridleway!
10. The symbol is in a field which has a pale brown border, indicating it's access land. Crops permitting, you could walk anywhere here. The pub is undoubtedly beside (not in) the field.
11. The two PRoWs are a bridleway and a BOAT (Byway Open to All Traffic)
12. Walkers, cyclists and horseriders can use a bridleway, a BOAT is available to all users, from walkers to (off-road) motor vehicles.
13. The Gothic font indicates something of historic (but not Roman) interest.
14. From the junction of PRoWs, the nearest museum is to the Northeast.
15. The peak of Barrow Hill is 78 metres above mean sea level.
16. The green lozenges indicate a named leisure route, usually a long distance walking route.
17. The River Avon is downhill from the farm.
18. Pen Wood is also access land, but the small green square in a different shade of green is not. (I think it's a Scout Camp)
19. The short black dashes with tiny squares indicate a line of pylons.
20. From the tarmac lane near Middle Lypiatt, it's 850 metres on PRoWs to Toadsmoor Pond.