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- 3. Know how to find and read

the cache description including the 'terrain' rating and cache 'difficulty', and any hints or information logged by other cachers.

- **4.** Use the 'map screen' and the 'compass screen' on the GPS to get to the cache.
- **5.** Write a list of things to take with you when geocaching especially when in the countryside, and to suit changing weather conditions.
- 6. Pack a rucksack for your Geocaching trip.
- **7.** Know how to stay safe when geocaching.
- **8.** With your Patrol find 4 different caches, sign the cache log, leave and take trade items. Replace it as you find it. Sign your group log (make a not of any problems and tell a leader)
- **9.** Know about the different types of caches that are out there and what you can and can't leave in a cache. **10.** Know some of the special geocaching terms eg. DNF, FTF, GPS, GPSr, GZ, muggle, TFTC, BYOP.



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