



Withington Girls' School
Bronze Award

**Qualifying Expedition
West Pennine Moors
Tuesday/Wednesday
11th/12th June**

We will leave school at 9.00 a.m. and travel by coach, dropping off at the two start points. We will have 7 groups walking one way and 7 groups the other, meeting up at the campsite. We will pick up at the two end points and return to school by coach. I hope we will be back at school for 5.30.

Your route should be 24 km over the two days. The assessor will not accept it if it is much shorter than this.

Place	Grid ref.	Start time	End time
Rivington Lodge car park	636127	11.00	3.00
Causeway House Farm camp site	610193		
Sunnyhurst Wood visitor centre	678230	10.30	3.30

You should have at least 3 other checkpoints on each day and not much more than 1 hour between checkpoints. Make sure that you have a checkpoint at any hazard you identify on your route.

You **MUST** have a checkpoint where you cross the A675 because this is a very fast and dangerous road.

You must not use the paths that run alongside the M61. Try to keep on the East side of the reservoirs or the paths that run close to the west side.

You should not be walking along roads apart from unavoidable short stretches to connect two footpaths.

The presentation of your route cards must be good and you must have clear, detailed route descriptions.

This is an area with plenty of historical interest as well as natural beauty, the terraced gardens are excellent.

Possible places to visit on your route:

The Castle

The Terraced Gardens (checkpoint at the Pigeon Tower)

Rivington Pike (for those who like climbing hills)

Rivington Hall Barn (good information centre)

Lead Mines Clough

Roddlesworth Wood and Reservoirs (good information centre)

Darwen Moor and the Jubilee Tower

Sunnyhurst Wood

Great Hill (for those who like climbing hills)

Deadlines

Route cards will need to be sent to the assessor in time for him (or her) to check every route.

If your route-cards and acetates are not completed, checked, corrected and photocopied ready to be posted before Monday 20th May then your group will NOT be going on the expedition. This deadline is not negotiable. All route cards and maps MUST be given in by Wednesday 15th May for photocopying before they are posted. They should have been checked and corrected before this date.

You should split your group into two halves and plan one day each.

What needs to be done	Date
Split group into two halves and do one day each. Make day 2 the same or shorter than day 1.	In sessions
Complete 2 days routes on Memory Map and transfer to Handing in Point for checking.	24 th April
Correct routes if necessary and complete routecards in Excel. Transfer to Handing in Point for checking.	1 st May
Correct mistakes on route cards and draw routes on laminate maps.	8 th May
Make sure everything is done and checked.	Before 15 th May
Hand in completed route cards and maps with all corrections done. Final absolute deadline for route-cards and maps.	In session 15 th May
Route cards and maps posted to assessor by Mrs Lindsay-Dunn.	20 th May
Issue Equipment. (Tuesday Lunchtime)	6 th June
Return Equipment	19 th June
Presentations to UIV	TBA before end of term

How to use the handing in point

Putting everything into the Handing In Point means that we can access it from home or school to check your progress. Also, we do not have the problem of a group member being absent when the work is in their area.

You cannot SAVE directly into the HIP. You can only COPY and PASTE into it.

In Memory Map, right click your route and do Save As.... With your group name and day 1 or 2 (eg Escapaders day1). You must save into your own My Documents area NOT directly into the HIP. Now COPY and PASTE into the HIP. Do exactly the same with your route card in excel.

Expedition Purpose – see separate sheet