Worksheet: Grave Questions 1

Activity: Graveyards and cemeteries in the landscape.



Using a local map, find the position of your nearest cemetery or graveyard.

Are the graves near a religious building? What does this tell you about the people buried there?

- Are the graves near a town or village centre? What could this tell you about where people wanted to bury their relatives?
- Are there any main roads near the graveyard / cemetery?
 Why do you think this is important?
- What is the name of the graveyard / cemetery?
 What does this tell you about its origin?
- Is the area used for graves large or small? What does this tell you about the size of the local community?

Now look at the area on the map further away from the cemetery or graveyard.

Where is the nearest cemetery or graveyard?

How many are there in a ten-mile radius?

Use the scale and a pair of compasses to find out.