

INTRODUCTORY.

1. Direction.

Here is a picture meant to teach us something. The sun is coming up over those hills and tipping them with the morning light. The rising sun is the centre of our interest, for without it we should see nothing at all. Can you tell why this picture is printed here? Well, perhaps this little story about the rising sun may help you. Once a man was riding a good horse over the great level plain in the middle of Canada, when night overtook him far away from any house. On he wandered in the dark till he lost his way and could not tell the direction of his journey. He went to sleep on the grass, till the morning sunshine woke him. Up he sprang to his saddle and said, "O, there is the east; now I know the way!"

Watch the sun come up in the east to-morrow. Do you know that it always rises on the same side of your home? Now tell what the picture means. Quite true; it shows us the rising sun and the east, and it makes us think of direction. Every morning a little girl walks to school with the sun shining full in her face. In what direction does she go? After you have watched the sun come up several times, then watch carefully to know where the sun

sets, for that is the west side of the sky. Next watch the moon as soon as you can and you will find that it rises on the eastern side, and sets on the western side of the sky.



Here is a picture of a school room. Look at the clock and tell the time. Look at that stream of sunshine coming through the window. Now point out the east side of the picture. On which side of the room does the clock hang? How shall we name the other two sides of the room? Well, the farther end is the north, and the teacher stands at the south. In what direction are the pupils looking? On which