

Map Skills
Lesson 1: Side views and plan views

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What is a map?

A map is a drawing from above that shows us where places are. You can use a map to find out more about a place.

There are different types of maps. There are maps of the world, maps of continents and maps of countries. Some maps show cities and provinces while other maps show rivers and mountains.

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Types of maps

This map shows us the different provinces in South Africa.

This map shows us the different rivers, mountains and other natural elements in South Africa.

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Types of maps

This map is a street map. It shows the names of the different streets in an area. This helps us to find our way when traveling.

This map shows us details of a smaller area, such as a farm.

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Side Views

Things look different, depending from what angle you are viewing them from. This is called your **point of view**.

A house drawn from above will look different from a house drawn from the side.

When we walk around and look at buildings, trees and other people, we see them from the side. We call this a **side view**. You look at most buildings and rooms from the side because you are standing on the ground.

A **side view** is when you look at something from the **side**.



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Plan Views

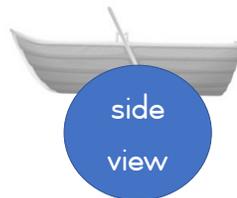
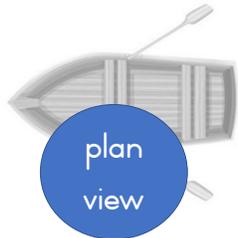
When we look at something that is down on the ground, such as a baby crawling or a line of ants, you look at them from above. We call this a plan view. A **plan is a drawing of a place, as seen from above**. A plan shows the size and shape of things. You can see where everything is by using a plan.

A **plan view** is when you look at something from **above**. It is also called an **aerial view**.



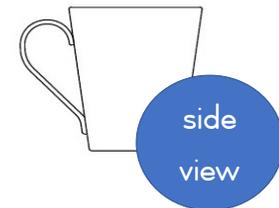
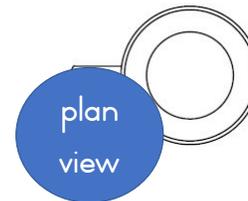
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Which one is a **side view** and which one is a **plan view**?



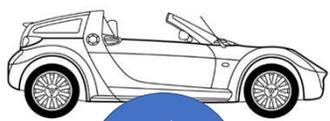
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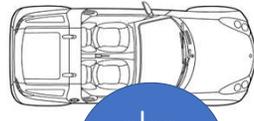


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view

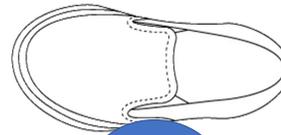


plan
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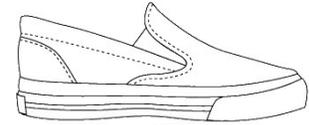


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Which one is a **side view** and which one is a **plan view**?



plan
view



side
view



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Activity I

Look at the pictures and match each side view to the correct plan view. You can write your answers in your spare book under Geography Activity I.

e.g. Picture A goes with Picture 3, so my answer will be A3.

Pause the video here

Press play once you have completed the activity.

 A	 1
 B	 2
 C	 3
 D	 4
 E	 5



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Activity I: Answers

A3

B4

C1

D5

E2

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Activity 2

In your blank workbook, under the heading 'Activity 2', draw the side view and the plan view of the following items:



1. Your water bottle

2. Any shoe (just one)

