7. Rock On!

Rock features can be found on almost all orienteering maps. Every obvious rock feature - from patches of stony ground, through human-sized boulders, to 20 m cliffs - is shown.

When rocks of very different sizes are close together, only the most obvious rocks are mapped. For instance, an isolated 1 m high boulder in the middle of an open field would be shown on the map whereas the same boulder in the middle of a cluster of 4 m boulders would probably be left off the map.

Rock features are open to a certain degree of interpretation; different mappers may show the same features in different ways. However, the mapper will always try to emphasise the most obvious aspects of any group of rocks.

Boulder

Passable Rock Face

Impassable Cliff

Rock Pillar

▲ Boulder Cluster

Boulder Field

Bare Rock

Stony Ground

Some rock symbols have large and small varieties, used to show the relative sizes of adjacent features on the ground.

Task 9

Match the maps on the left with the views on the right. (All match.)











