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### FOREWORD TO INITIAL EXPEDITION TRAINING SECTION

If you join the Royal Air Force you may be required to go on expeditions (using tents for accommodation) as part of your resource and initiative training, and, before that, during your Air Training Corps experience, you might undertake expeditions under the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme or Adventure Training exercises as a member of a team from your Squadron. The following chapters have therefore been added to introduce you to map reading and to camping, which form the basis of almost all expedition and Adventure Training work.

Solving practical problems in unfamiliar surroundings can be interesting and exciting; above all, it gives you the opportunity to demonstrate your self-confidence, resourcefulness, initiative, determination, team spirit and common-sense — all valuable characteristics, whether you join the Services or not. We hope that these chapters will serve as an introduction to the problems you are likely to meet and will be a sound base on which to build your further studies and activities.

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