

Activity 11

OBJECTIVE

To find the values of abscissae and ordinates of various points given in a cartesian plane.

MATERIAL REQUIRED

Cardboard, white paper, graph paper with various given points, geometry box, pen/pencil.

METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

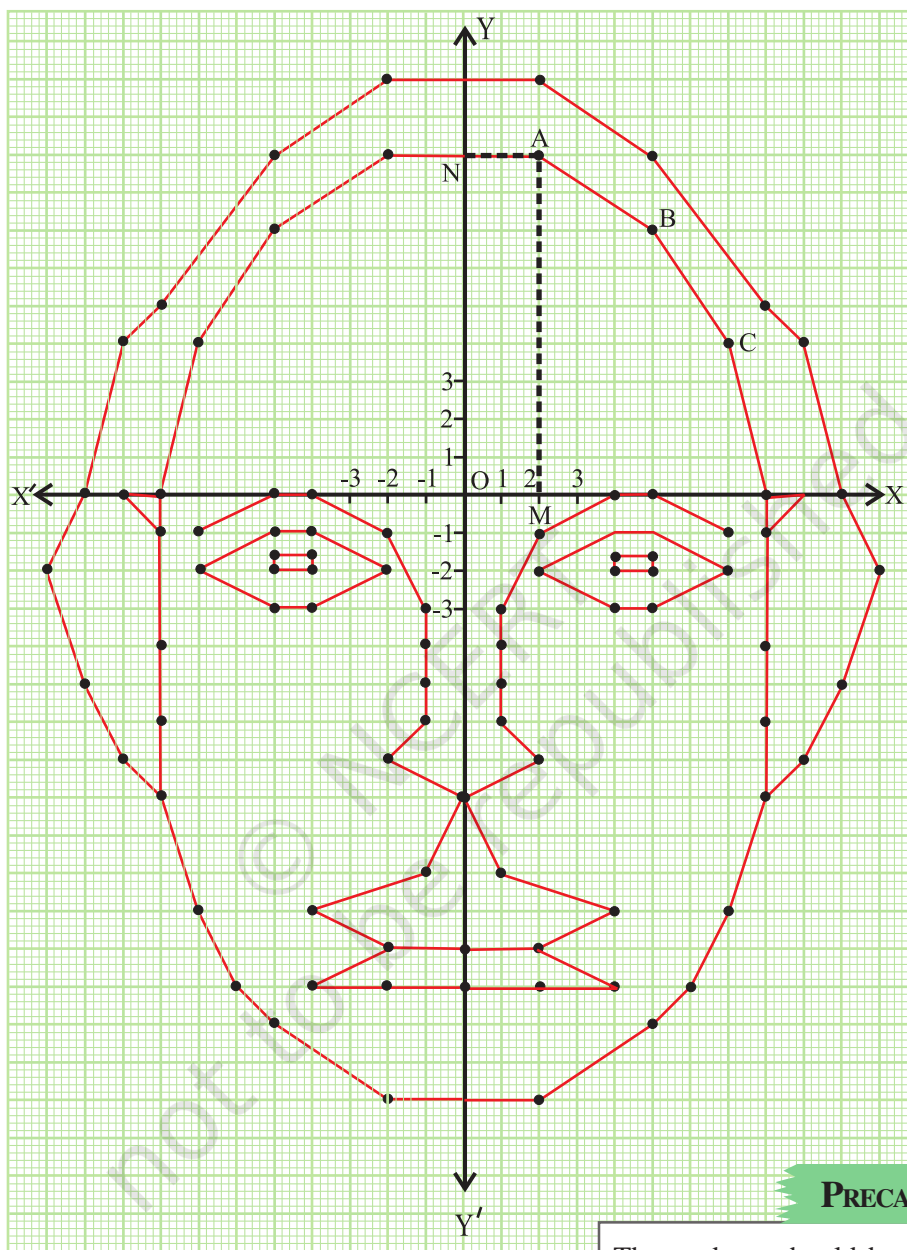
1. Take a cardboard of a convenient size and paste a white paper on it.
2. Paste the given graph paper alongwith various points drawn on it [see Fig. 1].
3. Look at the graph paper and the points whose abscissae and ordinates are to be found.

DEMONSTRATION

To find abscissa and ordinate of a point, say A, draw perpendiculars AM and AN from A to x-axis and y-axis, respectively. Then abscissa of A is OM and ordinate of A is ON. Here, $OM = 2$ and $AM = ON = 9$. The point A is in first quadrant. Coordinates of A are (2, 9).

OBSERVATION

Point	Abscissa	Ordinate	Quadrant	Coordinates
B				
C				
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APPLICATION

This activity is helpful in locating the position of a particular city/place or country on map.

Fig. 1

PRECAUTION

The students should be careful while reading the coordinates, otherwise the location of the object will differ.