

Help with GPS outside

There are a few important things you'll need to check once you get outside.

Some of the issues to do with GPS will depend on the type of GPS device you have - whether it is plug-in one, a separate Bluetooth device, or you're lucky enough to have it built in to the PDA itself. To test the scape outdoors with the GPS device you may have to go through steps to connect the device and the PDA together - you may need technical help with this.

It is recommended that you do not turn on your GPS device until you are outside in a place that has a good view of the sky all around you - this is so that the GPS device can easily pick up a satellite signal. Check that you are clear of trees as well, as these can cause interference. GPS signals can sometimes be a bit tricky to find, turn off and turn on your GPS device if you are still having trouble.

Once your GPS device has a signal, you can open the Mscape player on your PDA and open your project

When you open the Mscape player on your PDA and open your project (your script) it may ask you about connecting to GPS. If you have already paired your device you won't be asked.

Walk around in the places where you think you have located your regions. Are the sounds playing? Are the images switching on and off on the screen?

If it isn't working then switch from **User Interface** view to **Place view**. This will show you your map and regions. Switch to **Emulation Mode** and then try clicking on a region to see if you can hear sounds. If you can't, check the volume is switched on high on the PDA, and that your headphones are also switched on.

Remember to take care when outside, especially if you have headphones on, take extra care crossing the road and don't look at the PDA screen if it isn't safe to do so.