

Hiker Lingo

WHAT'S A THRU-HIKER?

A thru-hiker is a person who hikes the entire Ice Age Trail in one, continuous adventure. This goal can take months to complete! Thru-hikers around the world have a special language they share. See if you can guess the correct definition of each unique word used by thru-hikers.

Will you start using hiker lingo while you're out on the Trail?

HIKER MIDNIGHT means _____.

ZERO means _____.

WOBO means _____.

EOBO means _____.

TRAIL ANGEL means _____.

LNT means _____.

COWBOY CAMPING means _____.

THRU-HIKER NICKNAMES

Thru-hikers use nicknames on the Trail. These nicknames are referred to as Trail Names. **If you could pick, what would your Trail Name be and why?**

Write it in the box below.

Trail Tidbit

In 2018, Annie 'Blaze' Weiss smashed the record for the fastest known time (FKT) thru-hike on the Ice Age National Scenic Trail. She completed the hike in 21 days, 18 hours and 7 minutes.



ANSWERS:
HIKER MIDNIGHT means going to bed at 9 pm. ZERO means hiking zero miles. WOBO means westbound. EOBO means eastbound. TRAIL ANGEL is someone who helps thru-hikers on the trail by giving them food, water, a shuttle, or other supplies. LNT means Leave No Trace. COWBOY CAMPING means sleeping outside without a tent.