

THE 250 USES OF THE ICE AX

As a result of our recent contest we ended up with the following 250 uses of an ice ax. The first 138 were submitted by the winner who will be properly announced and awarded at the Annual Banquet. The next 77 are the unique ones submitted by the other entry. The other 35 were just thrown in to make it an even 250.

We look at this as a good start. Now we would like to see someone sit down for a half hour or so and round it out to an even thousand.

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| 1. self arrest             | 46. slide rule               | 91. bees nest stirrer          |
| 2. somebody-else arrest    | 47. piton hammer             | 92. safety razor               |
| 3. walking stick           | 48. piton                    | 93. paper cutter               |
| 4. running stick           | 49. picket (North and South) | 94. paper weight               |
| 5. resting stick           | 50. wife persuader           | 95. wood pulp                  |
| 6. sitting stick           | 51. flag pole                | 96. paint scraper              |
| 7. just a stick            | 52. mantel decoration        | 97. paint brush                |
| 8. can opener              | 53. fireplace decoration     | 98. paint stirrer              |
| 9. can closer              | 54. mother-in-law persuader  | 99. laundry stick              |
| 10. firewood               | 55. tire iron                | 100. fishing pole              |
| 11. tent pole              | 56. jack handle              | 101. fish stringer             |
| 12. tent stake             | 57. straw (hollow ax only)   | 102. fish scaler               |
| 13. wind break             | 58. air mattress deflator    | 103. hoe                       |
| 14. back scratcher         | 59. milk stool               | 104. pulaski                   |
| 15. rear scratcher         | 60. candle holder            | 105. birthday gift             |
| 16. leader poker           | 61. candle snuffer           | 106. Christmas gift            |
| 17. self defense           | 62. pillow                   | 107. Father's Day gift         |
| 18. billy club             | 63. sleep inducer            | 108. Mother's Day gift         |
| 19. tripod                 | 64. fingernail cleaner       | 109. just a gift               |
| 20. camera mount           | 65. crew waker upper         | 110. gift                      |
| 21. camera rest            | 66. argument settler         | 111. bull persuader            |
| 22. varmit chaser          | 67. consultant               | 112. night stick               |
| 23. bear chaser            | 68. golf club                | 113. day stick                 |
| 24. comb                   | 69. toothpick                | 114. drumstick                 |
| 25. toothbrush             | 70. gas tank dipstick        | 115. excuse for Yodeler column |
| 26. ear scratcher          | 71. oil dipstick             | 116. excuse                    |
| 27. flea chaser            | 72. dipstick                 | 117. conversation topic        |
| 28. latrine digger         | 73. canoe paddle             | 118. fish spear                |
| 29. fallout shelter digger | 74. mast                     | 119. door pryer                |
| 30. hole digger            | 75. gravestone               | 120. rock pryer                |
| 31. shovel                 | 76. cheese cutter            | 121. stickpin                  |
| 32. firewood axe           | 77. stepladder               | 122. safety pin                |
| 33. kettle stirrer         | 78. splint                   | 123. hocky stick               |
| 34. weiner stick           | 79. splinter                 | 124. croquet mallet            |
| 35. spoon                  | 80. music stand              | 125. hammer                    |
| 36. fork                   | 81. book stand               | 126. tomahawk                  |
| 37. knife                  | 82. hot dog stand            | 127. totem pole                |
| 38. broom                  | 83. soup stirrer             | 128. north pole                |
| 39. rake                   | 84. stew stirrer             | 129. south pole                |
| 40. lawn mower             | 85. pea stirrer              | 130. east pole                 |
| 41. stepping stone         | 86. corn stirrer             | 131. west pole                 |
| 42. bridge                 | 87. potato stirrer           | 132. pole                      |
| 43. well digger            | 88. bean stirrer             | 133. streacher stick           |
| 44. first aid splint       | 89. pancake batter stirrer   | 134. book mark                 |
| 45. bone breaker           | 90. mixed vegetable stirrer  | 135. fly swatter               |

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136. hornet's nest stirrer
137. hornet swatter
138. polo stick
139. cutting snow steps
140. cutting ice steps
141. cutting sandstone steps
142. a seat
143. bear weapon
144. porcupine weapon
145. snake weapon
  
146. mountain goat weapon
147. cougar weapon
148. ground squirrel weapon
149. bird weapon
150. chipmunk weapon
151. rat weapon
152. mouse weapon
153. tick weapon
154. gnat weapon
155. no-see-um weapon
  
156. camp robber weapon
157. root digger
158. snow worm digger
159. cane
160. headrest
161. footstool
162. hatchet
163. identify climbers in mountain-
164. belaying eering cartoons
165. rappel anchor
  
166. rain trench digger
167. impressing tourists
168. dealing with motorized vehicles  
in prohibited areas
169. cooking pot support
170. lightening rod
171. signal mirror
172. water witching
173. snow shelter digger
174. attaching packs to slopes
175. attaching ropes to slopes
  
176. attaching climbers to slopes
177. spearing fish
178. breathing space maintainer
179. stuck car digger outer
180. clawing up steep slopes
181. glop stirrer
182. snow bridge probe
183. cravasse loser-inner
184. retrieving climbers from  
streams
185. retrieving other objects  
from streams
  
186. steak tenderizer
187. rock climber confuser
188. potato masher
189. lifting bean pots  
from bean holes
190. pulling baked potatoes  
from coals
191. punch holes in leather
192. punch holes in canvas
193. punch holes in plastic
194. punch holes in boots
195. punch holes in fellow  
climbers
  
196. campfire singing  
accompaniment
197. pointing to
198. pointing at
199. pointing away from
200. sundial
201. holding on to
202. letting go of
203. clothes line post
204. disguise rock climbers  
as snow climbers
205. dig fish bait
  
206. cut holes for ice fishing
207. disguise snow climbers as  
rock climbers disguised  
as snow climbers.
208. sleeping area smoother-  
outer.
209. limit rope cutting -  
into crevasse edges
210. control glissades
211. blazing trails
212. prop for posing for  
climbing photos
213. as a prop
214. subject of list of uses  
for ice ax
215. baton
  
216. needle
217. piton puller
218. watch top
219. spurring horses
220. molesting moles
221. coat hanger
222. sock hanger
223. shirt hanger
224. etc. hanger
225. splitting infinitives
  
226. slow person  
speeder-upper
227. practicing  
fencing
228. fencing
229. emergency pack  
repairs
230. map roller
231. wigwam roller
232. measuring  
stick
233. brush pusher  
aside
234. mosquito bite  
scratcher
235. fly swatter
  
236. mosquito swatter
237. capital T
238. fishhook
239. branding iron
240. apple hanger
241. snagging cups  
out of moats
242. staple puller
243. fingernail  
trimmer
244. toenail trimmer
245. pogo stick with-  
out pogo
  
246. hobby horse
247. crampon snow  
knocker-outer
248. ice cube tray  
cleaner-outer
249. shish-ca-bob  
stick
250. watch fob