

Native Names

Directions:

Native American place names often describe the natural processes or characteristics of a place. The Salish, Pend d'Oreille, Kootenai, and Blackfoot peoples have had a presence in and around Glacier National Park for thousands of years. The Salish and Pend d'Oreille name for the Rocky Mountains is X^wćx^wćut. Use the code breaker below to find out what the Blackfeet and Kootenai names mean.

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

Code Breaker

The Blackfeet name for this region is "Mistakiks," meaning:

2	1	3	11	2	15	14	5	15	6	
20	8	5	23	15	18	12	4			



The Kootenai name for the Glacier region is "Ya-qawiswítxu'ki," meaning:

23	8	5	18	5	20	8	5	18	5	
1	18	5	7	12	1	3	9	5	18	19

If you could choose a name that describes Glacier National Park, what would it be?

