**A Week in the Woods: Chapters 17-20**

Vocabulary

1. commotion a state of confusion and noisy disturbance
2. tense stretched tight or rigid
3. erosion the gradual destruction of something by natural forces
4. lanyard a cord worn around the neck or shoulder to hold a knife or whistle
5. reverence honor or respect felt or shown
6. distinctive clearly marking a person or a thing as different from others
7. rhythm a movement or activity in which some action repeats regularly
8. theoretical limited to theory or speculation
9. transparent fine or sheer enough to be seen through
10. conservation a careful preservation and protection of something