Core Skills Analysis

Physical Education

- Developed endurance and strength through long hikes, enhancing overall physical fitness.
- Learned navigation skills by following trails and reading maps, improving spatial awareness.
- Understood the importance of proper gear and clothing for different weather conditions, promoting safety and preparedness.
- Gained knowledge of environmental conservation and the importance of preserving nature while hiking.

Tips

For continued development after hiking, consider incorporating interval training to improve speed and stamina. Additionally, practicing mindfulness during hikes can enhance the mental benefits of being in nature. Experiment with different terrains and varying difficulty levels to keep challenging yourself and improving your overall hiking skills.

Book Recommendations

- Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail by Cheryl Strayed: A memoir detailing the author's journey of self-discovery through hiking the Pacific Crest Trail.
- <u>Hiking Through: One Man's Journey to Peace and Freedom on the Appalachian Trail</u> by Paul Stutzman: An inspiring story of a man's healing and self-discovery while hiking the Appalachian Trail.
- <u>A Walk in the Wood: Meditations on Mindfulness with a Bear Named Pooh</u> by Joseph Parent and Nancy Parent: Blending hiking experiences with mindfulness techniques, this book offers a unique perspective on outdoor activities.