**LOOM SLANG KEY TERMS**

* **ANCHOR PEG:**

PEG ON THE SIDE OF THE LOOM THAT IS USED TO HOLD/ANCHOR YOUR YARN. NOT ALL LOOMS HAVE ANCHOR PEGS. WHEN YOUR LOOM DOES NOT HAVE AN ANCHOR PEG, THE FIRST PEG CAN BE USED AS THE ANCHOR PEG.

* **BASIC BIND OFF:**

MAIN METHOD USED FOR REMOVING WORK FROM THE KNITTING LOOM

* **BIND OFF:**

REMOVING THE KNITTING FROM THE KNITTING LOOM BY KNITTING OFF THE LAST ROW.

* **BEGINNING TAIL:**

THE LENGTH OF YARN THAT IS LEFT UNUSED BEFORE THE SLIP KNOT. LENGTH OF BEGINNING TAIL DEPENDS ON PERSONAL PREFERENCE.

* **CAST ON ROW:**

THE VERY FIRST ROW OF STITCHES ON THE KNITTING LOOM

* **CASTING ON: (CO)**

THE PROCESS OF KNITTING ON THE FIRST ROW OF STITCHES. TO BE USED AS THE FONDATION OF YOUR KNITTING PROJECT.

* **E-WRAP:**

A STITCH THAT IS MADE BY WRAPPING THE YARN AROUND EACH PEG OF THE KNITTING LOOM IN AN LOWER CASE “e” FORMATION.

* **FLAT STITCH:**

A VERSION OF THE KNIT STITCH THAT IS ACCOMPLISED BY TAKING YOUR WORKING YARN AND WRAPING IT AROUNG ALL OF YOUR LOOM PEGS. THEN GOING BACK TO THE ANCHOR PEG AND KNITTING THE BOTTOM ROW OF STICHES OVER THE TOP ROW OF YARN.

* **GATHERING:**

THE METHOD USED TO CLOSE THE TOP OF A HAT OR THE TOE OF A SOCK.

* **GAUGE:**

THE NUMBER OF STITCHES AND ROWS PER INCH, VARIES DUE TO SEVERAL FACTORS LIKE YARN WEIGHT, LOOM SIZE, AND KNITTER’S TENSION. GAUGE IS ALSO KNOWN AS TENSION OR KNITTING TENSION.

* **KNIT STITCH: (K)**

PLACING YOUR WORKING YARN ABOVE THE LOOP OF YARN OR STITCH THAT IS ON THE PEG, INSERTING YOUR KNIT HOOK FROM THE BOTTOM OF THE YARN UP THROUGH THE LOOP OR STITCH ON THE PEG. REMOVE THE LOOP OFF OF THE PEG AND PLAC ETHE NEW LOOP THAT YOU JUST CREATED IN ITS PLACE.

* **KNITTING OFF/OVER: (KO)**

THE PROCESS OF MAKING A STITCH. ACCOMPLISHED BY LIFTING OFF ONE OR MORE OF THE LOOPS/STITCHES ON THE PEG AND LETTING IT FALL OFF TOWARDS THE MIDDLE/CENTER OF THE LOOM.

* **LOOM GAUGE:**

THE MEASURMENT OF THE SPACE FROM PEG TO PEG ON THE KNITTING LOOM. LOOM GAUGE CAN VARY FROM EXTRA FINE TO EXTRA LARGE.

* **PEG:**

THE PRONGS ON A KNITTING LOOM THAT YOU USE TO KNIT.

* **PURL STITCH: (P)**

OPPOSITE OF THE KNIT STITCH. IS ACCOMPLISED BY PLACING THE WORKING YARN BELOW THE LOOP ON THE PEG(S), INSERTING YOUR KNITHOOKFROM THE TOPDOWN THROUGH THE LOOP ON THE PEG, CATCHING THE WAORKING YARN. PULL THE WORKING YARN THROUGHTHE LOOP ON THE PEG. REMOVE THE LOOP FROM THE PEG AND REPLACE WITH THE NEW LOOP YOU JUST CREATED.

* **ROUND/IN THE ROUND:**

REFERS TO WORKING IN A FULL CIRCLE OR ALL THE WAY AROUND THE LOOM

* **ROW:**

ALL THE STITCHES THAT YOU KNIT FROM YOUR STARTING PEG, AROUND THE LOOM AND BACK TO YOUR STARTING PEG ARE ONE ROW.

* **SLIP KNOT:**

A TYPE OF KNOT THAT IS USED TO START ALL LOOM KNITTING PROJECTS. MADE BY CREATING A LOOP OR A BREAT CANCER AWARNESS RIBBON SHAPE WITH YOUR YARN. THEN YOU YOU’RE YOUR WORKING YARN AND YOU BRING IT THROUGH THE LOOP YOU JUST CREATED TO CREATE A SLIP KNOT. AFTER THE KNOT IS MADE IT IS USUALLY ATTATCHED TO THE ANCHOR PEG OR USED AS YOUR FIRST STITCH.

* **SLIP STITCH:**

ACHIEVED BY SKIPPING A PEG ON THE KNITTING LOOM WITH YOUR WORKING YARN BEHIND THE PEG.

* **TAIL END:**

YARN THAT YOU LEAVE HANGING AT THE END OF YOUR KNITTING PROJECT.

* **WEAVE IN ENDS:**

AFTER BINDING OFF A KNITTING PROJECT YOU HIDE ALL THE YARN TAIL ENDS IN YOUR WORK BY WEAVING YOUR TAIL ENDS INTO THE WRONG SIDE OF YOUR KNITTING.

* **WORKING YARN:**

THE YARN THAT IS COMING DIRECTLY FORM YOUR SKEIN OF YARN AND THAT YOU ARE USING TO KNIT WITH ON THE KNITTING LOOM.