

hookworm *(hook-worm)*

Definition

n. A parasitic nematode worm that inhabits the intestines of humans and other animals, where it feeds on the host's blood.

Example Sentence

The doctor explained that the patient was infected with **hookworm** after walking barefoot in contaminated soil.

More Example Sentences

Hookworm infections can lead to anemia and protein deficiency in severe cases.

Synonyms

parasite; nematode; helminth

Antonyms

probiotic; symbiont; commensal

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