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Læs og forstå om Thanksgiving



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Thanksgiving



What is Thanksgiving?

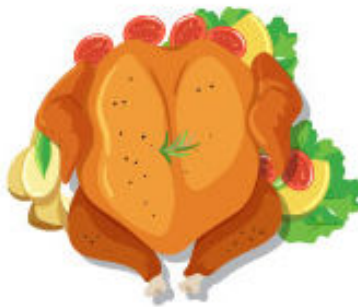
Thanksgiving is a special holiday. It is mostly celebrated in the United States and Canada.

On this day, families and friends come together to say thanks for the good things in their lives. It is a holiday for the whole family and it is just as important to many Americans than Christmas.



When is Thanksgiving?

In the United States Thanksgiving Day is on the fourth Thursday of November. In Canada it is on the second Monday of October.



Thanksgiving is about:
(circle the correct answer)



getting a lot of presents



saying thanks for the good things in your life



The first Thanksgiving



The pilgrims

A long time ago, the first English people came to America. They were called the Pilgrims.



A year later, in 1621, they had a big party with the Original Americans. They wanted to celebrate their first good harvest and to say thank you to each other. This was the first Thanksgiving.



What did the Pilgrims celebrate?



Who did they celebrate with?

A national holiday

From harvest festival to national holiday

For many years Thanksgiving was a harvest festival - a time to thank God for a good harvest.

In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln made it a national holiday. He did this to help bring people together, because at that time there was a war in the United States.

A woman named Sarah Hale sent many letters to the president, asking him to make Thanksgiving a national holiday so that everyone could celebrate together.



Who was the president of the United States in 1863?

Why was Thanksgiving made a national holiday?

Thanksgiving traditions

Thanksgiving dinner:

On Thanksgiving Day many people come together with family and friends. They have Thanksgiving dinner - usually a big turkey. Other popular foods are mashed potatoes and pumpkin pie.



Parades:

Many cities have big parades with big balloons and music. The most famous one is the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City.

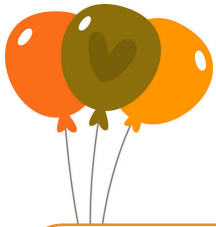
Circle the correct answer

Most people eat **a big turkey** / **sausages** at Thanksgiving.

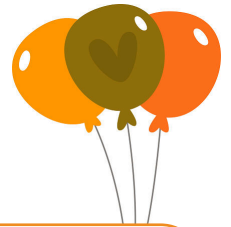


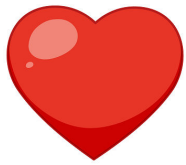
Thanksgiving traditions

Today, Thanksgiving is not a harvest festival anymore, but more a day to take a break from busy life and spend time with family and friends.

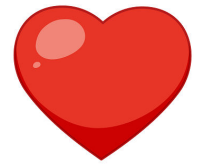


Draw or write about the special things people do or eat at Thanksgiving.





Being thankful



At Thanksgiving, family and friends sit around the dinner table. Before eating, everybody says what they are thankful for. This could be anything from family, friends, good health, or even small everyday things.

This tradition helps everyone to pause and think about the positive things in their lives.



Take a moment to think about the good things in your life.
What are you thankful for?



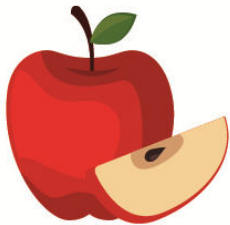
Thanksgiving food



The most important food at Thanksgiving is a big turkey and a pumpkin pie.

Thanksgiving food is often made from things that are harvested or picked, in the autumn in the United States: pumpkins, potatoes, corn, beans, cranberries and apples. The meal celebrates the harvest.

Draw a line from the text to the picture



turkey
pumpkin pie



corn

potatoes

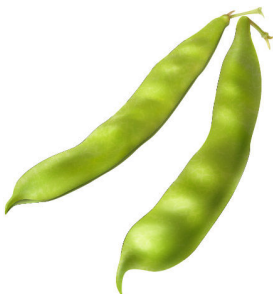


beans

apples



cranberries



Quiz

At Thanksgiving, families often travel from far away to be with each other. It's a time to enjoy each other's company and have fun.



Draw a circle

1. What do many people do on Thanksgiving Day?

a) see a movie b) have dinner together c) sleep

2. What is the main food at Thanksgiving?

a) chicken b) beef c) turkey

3. Which is a popular Thanksgiving dessert?

a) Chocolate Cake b) Pumpkin Pie c) Ice Cream

4. What do people often do before they start eating Thanksgiving dinner?

a) watch TV b) sing a song c) say thanks



Questions

Thanksgiving is also a day for helping others. Some families serve food to people who don't have a home or donate food to those in need.

What is celebrated at Thanksgiving?

What do you think is the most important thing about Thanksgiving?

Is Thanksgiving a tradition you would like to have in Denmark? Why/why not?



True or false

Read the sentence. Is it true or false?

Draw a circle.



1. Thanksgiving is mostly celebrated in Denmark and Norway.



2. Thanksgiving Day is on the third Thursday of June.



3. The first english people who came to America were called the Pilgrims.



4. In the beginning Thanksgiving was a harwest festival.



5. Sarah Hale was the president of the United States in 1863.



Write five things about Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving today is about giving thanks, spending time with the people you care about, and enjoying special traditions together.

Now you have learned a lot of things about Thanksgiving.
What do you remember?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____