

# THANKSGIVING

The Pilgrims' harvest in 1621 was so plentiful that Governor William Bradford decided to have a feast. He wanted to thank God and the Native American Wampanoag, who had helped them grow corn and live off the land. Their tradition of giving thanks is still celebrated today on the fourth Thursday of November.

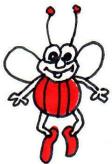


# THANKSGIVING - Hidden Picture Puzzle

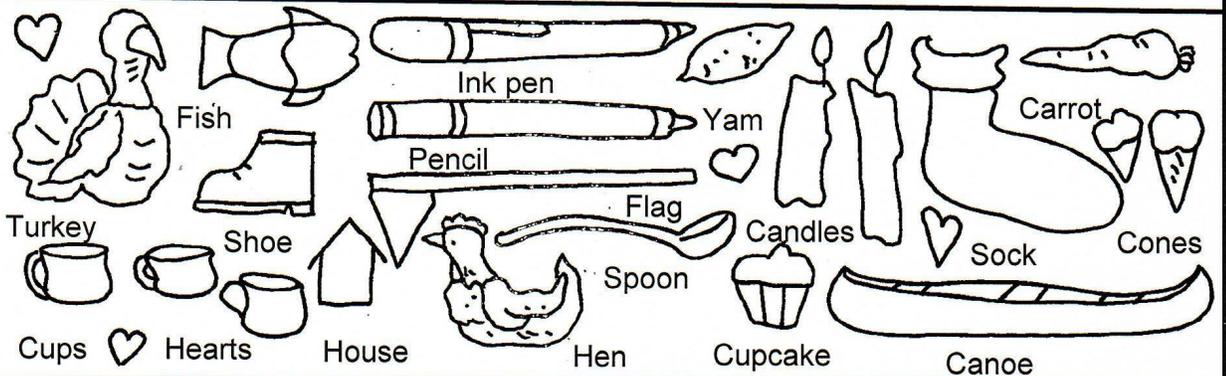
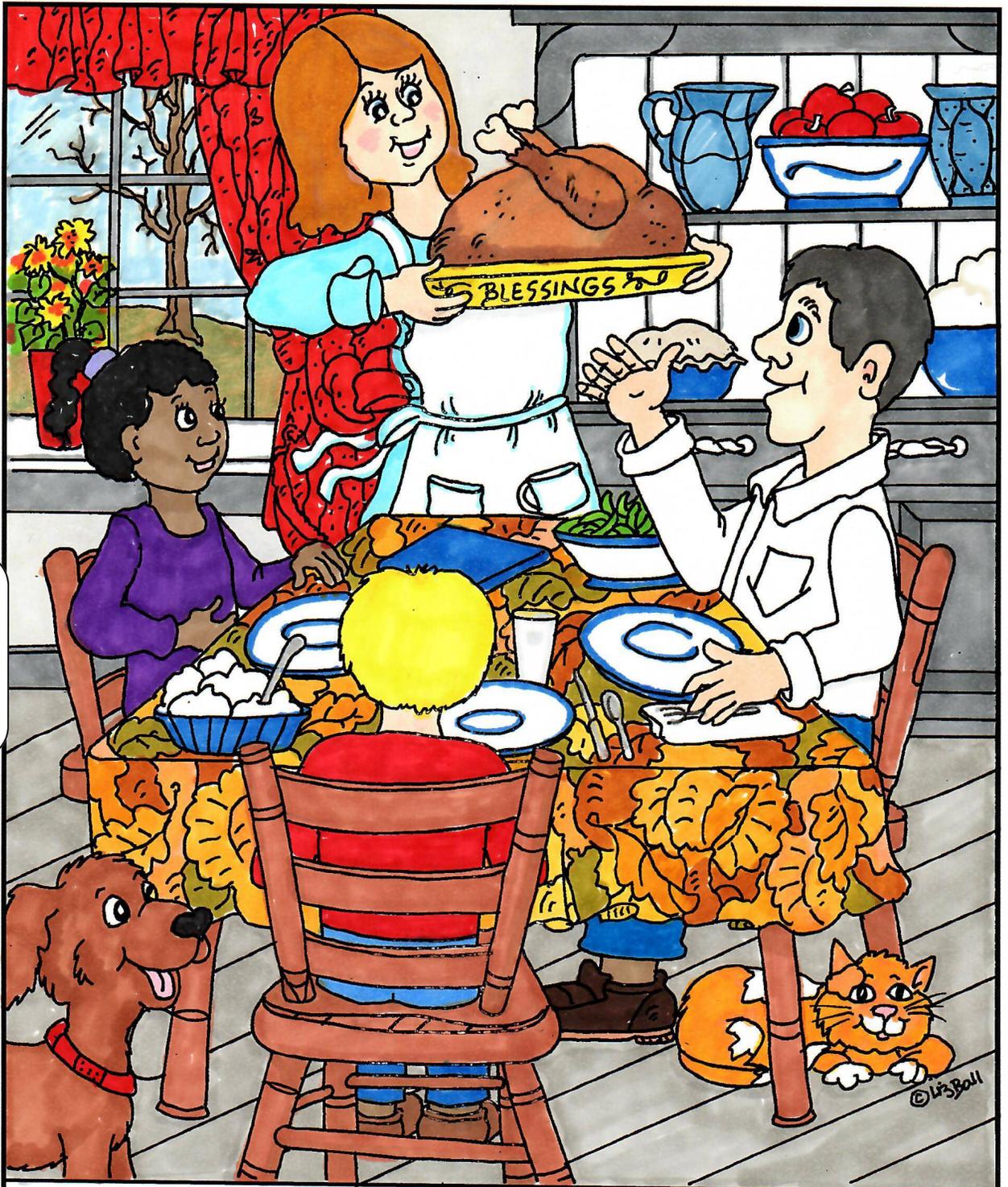
I'm thankful I'm not a turkey!.



I'm glad Thanksgiving is a National holiday. Do you know who made it official?



Thank you, God, for this day and for our friends and family gathered here.



# HAPPY THANKSGIVING — WORD SEARCH

Pilgrims did not eat turkey on the first Thanksgiving. Their meal probably included fish, lobsters, mussels, clams and lots of homegrown food, including beans, corn, cabbage, etc. The Wampanoag brought deer, rabbits and wildfowl such as ducks and geese. Their Harvest celebration was a way to thank God for their abundant crops. For three days, they played games, feasted and sang.

CALORIES  
CELEBRATE  
CORNBREAD  
CRANBERRIES  
DEER  
DESSERTS  
FAMILY  
FISH  
FOOTBALL  
FRIENDS  
GAMES  
GOBBLE  
GRACE  
LEFTOVERS  
LOBSTER  
MAYFLOWER  
MEAL  
NOVEMBER  
OYSTERS  
PILGRIMS  
POTATOES

PRAY  
PUMPKIN PIE  
SHOPPING  
SQUANTO  
SQUASH  
STUFFING  
THANKFUL  
THANKSGIVING  
TURKEY  
WAMPANOAG  
WILLIAM BRADFORD



Wow! Did you know turkeys' heads can change color? They will turn red, blue or white depending on their mood.

Only male turkeys can gobble.



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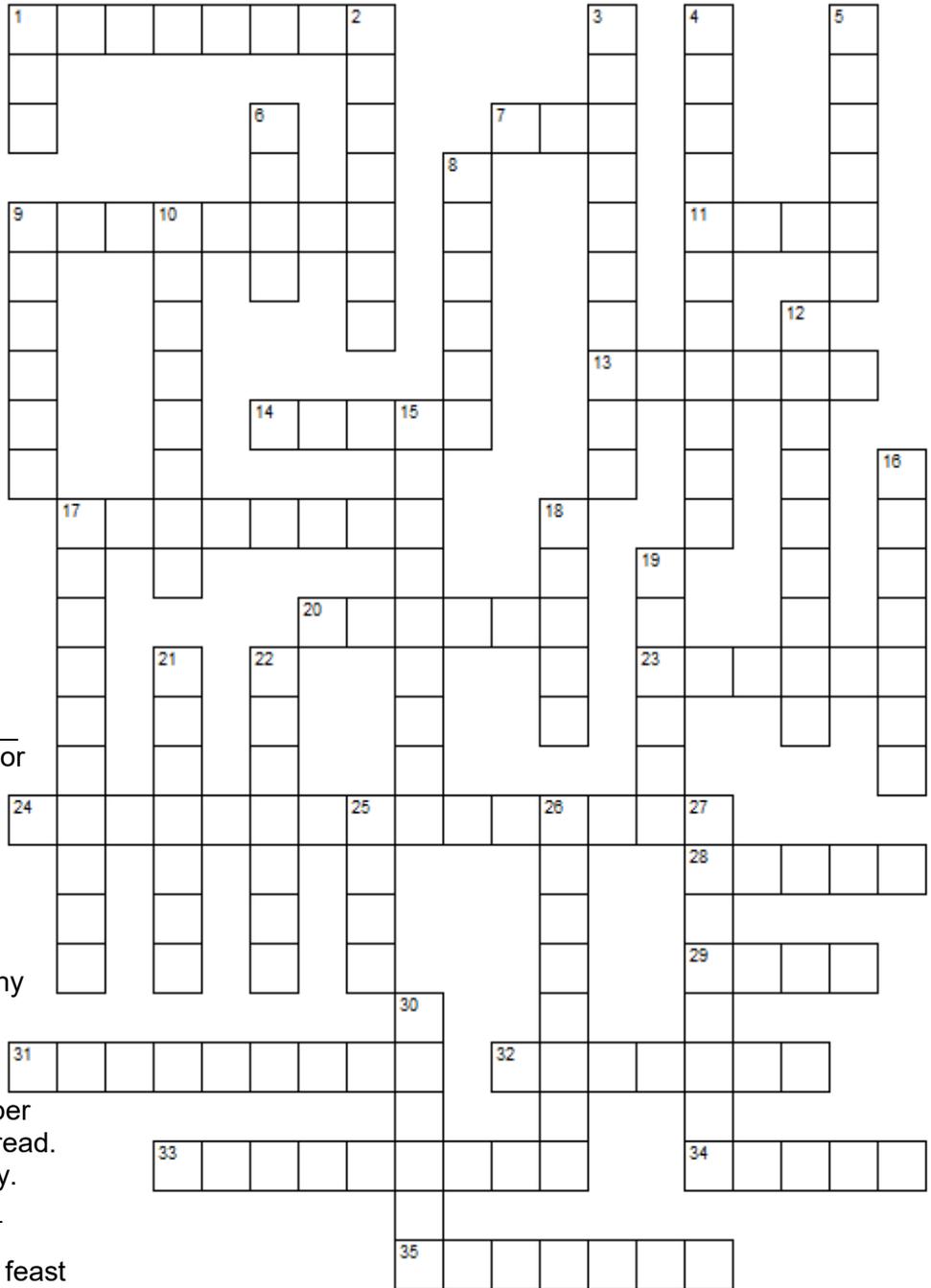
# THANKSGIVING CROSSWORD PUZZLE



There is always something to be thankful for, so smile and thank God, family and friends for your blessings.

## ACROSS

- 1 They came on the Mayflower.
- 7 Second most popular meat served at Thanksgiving.
- 9 Popular game watched at Thanksgiving.
- 11 Turkey's heads can turn this color.
- 13 When a president lets a turkey live.
- 14 God's \_\_\_\_\_ helps us do what we could not do alone.
- 17 Appreciate your blessings.
- 20 The sound a male turkey makes.
- 23 A pumpkin is a gourd or a \_\_\_\_\_.
24. Wampanoag
- 28 Number of days of the first Thanksgiving.
- 29 A food served at the first feast.
- 31 Pilgrims sailed on the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 32 50 \_\_\_\_\_ pumpkin pies are eaten in November.
- 33 What we eat the day after Thanksgiving.
- 34 Football, tag, hide 'n seek
- 35 A food at the first Thanksgiving



## DOWN

- 1 A pardoned turkey often becomes a \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 William Bradford liked to wear what color of coat.
- 3 Favorite Thanksgiving dessert.
- 4 Native American fruit used in jello and sauces.
- 5 Most popular Thanksgiving meat.
- 6 Give thanks and \_\_\_\_\_ before meals.
- 8 Watching Macy's \_\_\_\_\_ is part of many family traditions.
- 9 \_\_\_\_\_ and friends celebrate Thanksgiving together.
- 10 Thanksgiving is the third \_\_\_\_\_ of November
- 12 Pilgrims probably served this type of bread.
- 15 Acknowledge a special event or holiday.
- 16 Pilgrims left England so they could \_\_\_\_\_ freely.
- 17 Squanto was a \_\_\_\_\_ at the Pilgrim's feast
- 18 Where wild turkeys sleep
- 19 Turkeys have three times the \_\_\_\_\_ of people
- 21 Deer meat is called \_\_\_\_\_
- 22 Family and \_\_\_\_\_ celebrate.
- 25 A feast.
- 26 4,500 \_\_\_\_\_ is the average number eaten per person on Thanksgiving Day.
- 27 What cooks put inside turkeys.
- 30 Many families \_\_\_\_\_ to see relatives.

**What are 5 things you are thankful for?**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_



# THANKSGIVING - Crossword Puzzle Answers

## ACROSS

- 1 They came on the Mayflower.
- 7 Second most popular meat served at Thanksgiving.
- 9 Popular game watched at Thanksgiving.
- 11 Turkeys' heads can turn this color.
- 13 When a president lets a turkey live.
- 14 God's \_\_\_\_\_ helps us do what we could not do alone.
- 17 Be \_\_\_\_\_ for your blessings.
- 20 The sound a male turkey makes.
- 23 A pumpkin is also called a gourd or a \_\_\_\_\_.
- 24 The Wampanoag
- 28 How many days did the first Thanksgiving last?
- 29 \_\_\_\_\_ were served at the first feast.
- 31 Pilgrims came on the Speedwell and \_\_\_\_\_.
- 32 50 \_\_\_\_\_ pumpkin pies are eaten in November.
- 33 What we eat the day after Thanksgiving.
- 34 Football, cards, tag, etc.
- 35 A food served at the first Thanksgiving.

## DOWN

- 1 Presidents pardon turkeys that often a become \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 William Bradfford liked to wear what color of coat.
- 3 Favorite Thanksgiving dessert
- 4 A native American fruit used in jello and sauces.
- 5 Most popular main dish at Thanksgiving.
- 6 Give thanks and \_\_\_\_\_ before meals.
- 8 Watching Macy's \_\_\_\_\_ is part of many family traditions.
- 9 \_\_\_\_\_ and friends celebrate on Thanksgiving
- 10 Thanksgiving is the third \_\_\_\_\_ of November.
- 12 Pilgrims probably served this type of bread.
- 15 What families do when they gather to enjoy the holiday.
- 16 Pilgrims left England so they could \_\_\_\_\_ freely.
- 17 Squanto was a \_\_\_\_\_ at the first Thanksgiving feast
- 18 Where wild turkeys sleep.
- 19 Turkeys have three times the \_\_\_\_\_ of people.
- 21 Deer meat is called \_\_\_\_\_.
- 22 We invite them to family meals.
- 25 A feast.
- 26 4,500 \_\_\_\_\_ is the average number eaten per person on Thanksgiving Day.
- 27 What cooks put inside turkeys.
- 30 Family and friends often \_\_\_\_\_ on Thanksgiving weekend.

- PILGRIMS
- HAM
- FOOTBALL
- BLUE
- PARDON
- GRACE
- THANKFUL
- GOBBLE
- SQUASH
- NATIVE AMERICANS
- THREE
- FISH
- MAYFLOWER
- MILLION
- LEFTOVERS
- GAMES
- LOBSTER

- PET
- SCARLET
- PUMPKIN PIE
- CRANBERRIES
- TURKEY
- PRAY
- PARADE

- FAMILY
- THURSDAY
- CORNBREAD
- CELEBRATE
- WORSHIP
- TRANSLATOR
- TREES
- VISION
- VENISON
- FRIENDS
- MEAL
- CALORIES
- STUFFING
- TRAVEL

