

Thanksgiving



What is Thanksgiving?

It is a holiday in the United States where we show gratitude for what and who we have in our lives.

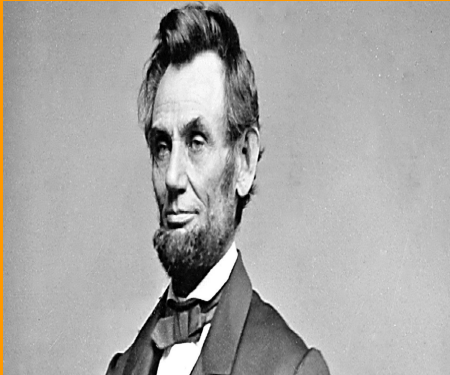




Why do we celebrate It?

In 1621 in Plymouth, Massachusetts due to having a good harvest, the Pilgrims and Puritans had a feast with the Native Americans.

On October 3rd, 1863 President Abraham Lincoln declared Thanksgiving a national holiday.



The First Thanksgiving

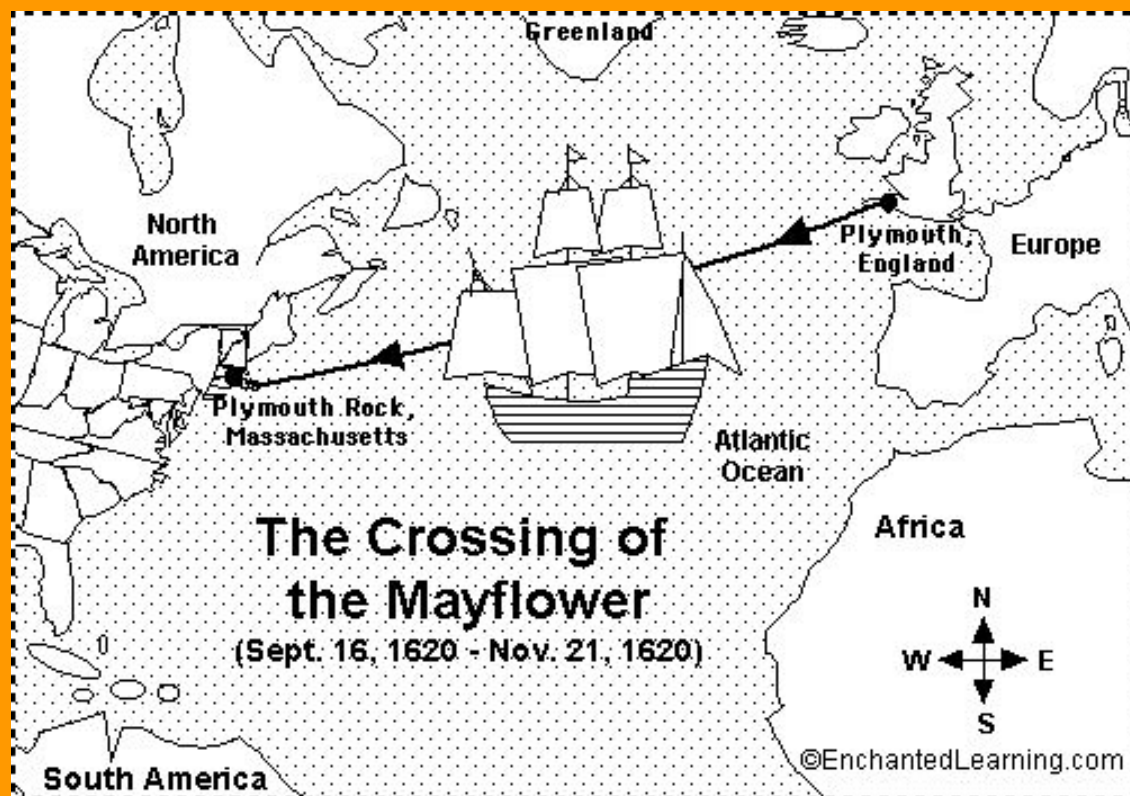


Who were the Pilgrims?



The Pilgrims were a separatist, religious group who left England in order to find religious freedom in the New World.

Where did they come from?





The Pilgrims in Their New Home



The Native Americans



Wampanoag Nation

-The women cultivated varieties of the “three sisters “- Maize (corn), Beans, and Squash. The men fished and hunted. These foods influenced the type of foods we eat during Thanksgiving.

-They taught the pilgrims how to grow corn.

-Most Wampanoag died because of smallpox and wars.

Thanksgiving Today



The Feast



Traditional Meal

- Turkey
- Gravy
- Stuffing
- Mashed potatoes
- Green beans
- Sweet potatoes
- Cranberry sauce
- Pumpkin pie



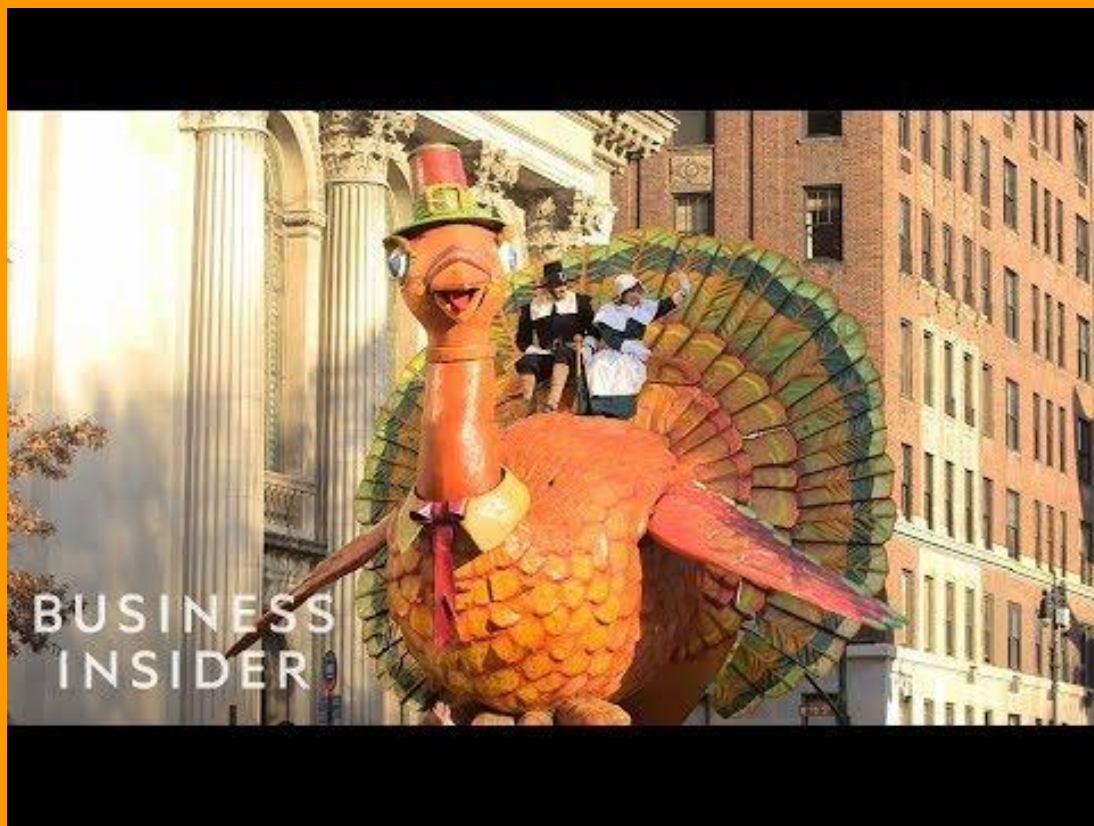
Football



The first Thanksgiving Day football game took place in the mid-1870s, when Princeton played Yale University in Hoboken, N.J.

The Macy's Thanksgiving day Parade





Black Friday

- Retailers offer almost everything they sell at a big discount.
- It marks the beginning of the holiday season.



Black Friday



Cyber Monday



Controversies

- Many people feel that the holiday has become too commercialized. The fear that it had become less about family and giving thanks and more about shopping
 - Others feel the holiday should not be celebrated. Those think the day should be used to pay respect to the Native Americans who passed due to wars and disease.
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A day of Mourning

-The descendants of indigenous/ Native Americans mourn their ancestors on Thanksgiving . They want there to be a national holiday celebrating Native Americans.

-After the first thanksgiving the Natives and the Pilgrims had many problems and wars which resulted in many Natives passing away.



What are you thankful for?



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