

The very first Thanksgiving celebration in North America took place in 1578 in Canada when Martin Frobisher, an explorer from England in search of the Northwest Passage. He wanted to give thanks for his safe arrival to the New World. That means the first Thanksgiving in Canada was celebrated 43 years before the pilgrims landed in Plymouth, Massachusetts! The meal likely wasn't too tasty, coming out of ships' storage mostly salted beef and mushy peas, but it started a tradition of being grateful for what food they had.

a. When is Thanksgiving celebrated in Canada?

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b. Who was Martin Frobisher?

_____.

c. What did they eat?

_____.

2. Complete the sentences with the verb in past.

a. Thanksgiving _____ (begin) with the pilgrims.

b. The pilgrims _____ (want) to practice their religion in their own way.

c. The pilgrims _____ (celebrate) the building of their homes I the New World in 1621.

d. The Wampanoag people _____ (help) the settlers.