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## **Religious Studies** The Purpose of Thanksgiving – The Bahamas



## The Purpose of Thanksgiving

The history of Thanksgiving dates back to the Pilgrims who came to the United States from England. After experiencing a difficult winter in 1620, they celebrated a bountiful harvest the following year. They celebrated along with the Indians who helped them to survive.

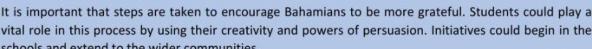
Today, Thanksgiving is celebrated as a holiday in the United States. Bahamians also share in this tradition by celebrating Thanksgiving. It is a time to give thanks to God for all his blessings.

Even though Bahamians enjoy the blessings of God, many of them are very ungrateful. Signs of ingratitude include:

- Some neighborhoods are unclean.
- Food is often wasted.
- Some persons do not share even though they have plenty.
- Individuals grumble and complain.

Bahamians should be thankful because God has blessed this beautiful country called the Bahamas. Bahamians should be grateful for the following things:

- ✓ A democratic government
- ✓ A rich Christian heritage
- ✓ A generally strong economy
- ✓ A vibrant Tourism Industry
- ✓ Wonderful natural resources



1000	ose-knit communities  rtant that steps are taken to encourage Bahamians to be more grateful. Students could play
vital role	in this process by using their creativity and powers of persuasion. Initiatives could begin in t
schools a	nd extend to the wider communities.
Write <b>true</b>	or <u>false</u> to compare Thanksgiving in the United States and The Bahamas.
1	Thanksgiving is a holiday in the United States
2	Thanksgiving is a holiday in The Bahamas.
3	Thanksgiving is observed in the United States.
4	Thanksgiving is observed in The Bahamas.
Fill in the	blanks
	two groups of people who celebrated the first Thanksgiving together were the
	and the
6. Wh	ere did the Pilgrims come from? They came from
7. The	first Thanksgiving celebrated a bountiful harvest in the year

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