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INTERDISCIPLINARY UNIT

Thanksgiving

It is important as a Christian to show gratitude to God. A part of having a relationship with God is expressing thanks to him. We should express thanks to God because he is our creator. He protects us, provides for us, and he gives us health and strength.

Over 300 years ago citizens of **England** were instructed to attend the Church of England. Some Christians did not like this rule and decided to leave England to live in a New World. The New World was called **America**. They traveled in a boat called the **Mayflower**.

The people who traveled by ship to America for freedom of worship were called Pilgrims. The first year in America was very difficult for this group but whatever success they made, they decided to set aside a day to ***give thanks***. One hundred and forty of them had a wonderful celebration that lasted for three days.

The pilgrims were thankful for the harvest and for the help from the **Native Americans** for teaching them how to grow crops in America. Without their help, the Pilgrims would have had little to eat.

The menu for the first Thanksgiving included deer meat, foul, which included ducks, geese and turkeys. Seabass, cod fish, cornmeal, fruits and vegetables were also served.

Over the years, relatives of those first settlers I remembered the celebration and observed it as **Thanksgiving Day**.



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Read the passage and answer the following questions.

1. Christians came to the New World over _____ years ago.

300 30 3,000

2. Where were these Christians from?

(a) New Providence
(b) England
(c) America

3. Where did they travel to?

(a) The Bahamas
(b) America
(c) England

4. What were these Christian people called?

Penguins Pagans Pilgrims

5. How did they get to the New World?

boat plane bus

6. What was the name of the ship they came on? _____

7. Who helped the Pilgrims when they arrived?

(a) Lucayans
(b) Africans
(c) Native Americans

8. What was the special day set aside called?

Halloween Thanksgiving Christmas

9. Click on three of the foods they ate.

turkey fruits cereal vegetables bread



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