

Happy Thanksgiving

1. Watch the video (below) and complete the text.

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[The History of the First Thanksgiving Day \(2:31\)](#)

A lot of people want to know what _____ Day is, and why it is celebrated. So.. Thanksgiving Day is celebrated in America on _____ Thursday of November. On this day, people gather for a day of _____ with family, friends and relatives.

This holiday has a long history, which started in _____. A Protestant religious group known today as _____ arrived in the New world on board of the ship called Mayflower and settled in Massachusetts. Their first winter in America was full of _____ and drama. They arrived too late to farm the land, so they starved. Half of the colony died from _____. The following spring, the local tribe of Native Americans taught them how to grow corn, hunt and fish. In the autumn of 1621 the Pilgrims got a rich _____ of corn, barley, beans, pumpkin and other vegetables.

The first Thanksgiving was a three day feast. Prior to dining, they all praised the Lord and thanked him for all the food and _____ he gave them. This is how the festivity got started.

Let's get back to our days and discuss modern Thanksgiving Day traditions. Family feast is an _____ tradition. The entire family comes together, sits at the table, offers prayer to the Lord, and celebrates. Though historians don't have an evidence to prove that _____ was eaten during the first Thanksgiving dinner, but the Thanksgiving celebration will be incomplete without it.

The traditional Thanksgiving _____ started with President Lincoln proclaiming it unofficial day. The full dress parade is a way to display the country's military strength and discipline and to lift the _____ of the spectators. Thanksgiving is a time to decorate home with wreaths, fresh and _____ flowers. People give the interiors a whole new look and feel.

Thanksgiving is a day when people send loving messages and warm wishes to their relatives and friends. Subscribe to our channel. If you like this video. And don't forget to give it a big thumbs up. Have a nice day.

2. Read the text again and match the new words and phrases with their definitions.

Thanksgiving Day

to gather for

the time when crops are cut and collected from fields

a feast

to collect several things, often from different places or people

a pilgrim

a problem or situation that makes you suffer a lot, especially because you are very poor

a hardship

an illness caused by an infection or by a failure of health and not by an accident

a disease

a person who travels to a holy place as a religious act

a harvest

a large amount of money or valuable possessions that someone has

a wealth

a special meal with very good food or a large meal for many people

a proclamation

an official announcement about something important

to lift the spirit

you start feeling more cheerful

an interior

a part, surface, or region that is inside or on the inside

annual national holiday in the United States and Canada celebrating the harvest and other blessings of the past year

3. Write the correct words from the text below the pictures.



BE THANKFUL
BE GRATEFUL
BE BLESSED

