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# The History Of Thanksgiving

Long ago, in 1621, the Pilgrims who came from England celebrated their first harvest in the New World. Life had been very hard for them during their first year in America. Many were sick and hungry. The Native Americans, especially a man named Squanto, helped the Pilgrims learn how to grow crops, hunt, and fish. When the Pilgrims finally had a good harvest, they invited the Native Americans to join them in a great feast of thanks. This celebration became known as the first Thanksgiving.

Today, Thanksgiving is one of the most loved holidays in the United States. It is celebrated on the fourth Thursday of November every year. Families and friends gather to share a big meal, usually with turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing, and pumpkin pie. People also take time to remember everything they are thankful for—family, friends, home, and good health. Parades, football games, and helping others through charity are all part of the Thanksgiving spirit. The true meaning of the day is to give thanks and share kindness.



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1-Who helped the Pilgrims survive in the New World?

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2-What event is called the first Thanksgiving?

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3-When is Thanksgiving celebrated in the United States?

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4-What are some foods people eat on Thanksgiving?

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5-What is the real spirit or meaning of Thanksgiving?

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**Circle the correct answer.**

**Where did the Pilgrims come from?**

- a) France
- b) England
- c) Spain
- d) Italy

**Who taught the Pilgrims how to grow crops and fish?**

- a) The King
- b) Native Americans
- c) Cowboys
- d) Explorers

**When do Americans celebrate Thanksgiving each year?**

- a) First Monday in November
- b) Fourth Thursday in November
- c) Last Sunday in October
- d) Third Friday in December

**Which food is most common on Thanksgiving tables?**

- a) Pizza
- b) Fish
- c) Turkey
- d) Burgers

**What is the main idea of Thanksgiving?**

- a) Buying gifts
- b) Giving thanks and sharing kindness
- c) Playing sports
- d) Traveling to new places

