



Turkey (The country)

Submitted by Heather E.

Have you ever wondered if the country Turkey celebrates Thanksgiving? Why would they even call it Turkey if they don't celebrate Thanksgiving?

First of all, the real name is Turkiye (pronounced "Toor key yeah"). I suppose someone just gave up trying to pronounce it and started calling it Turkey.

Turkey is located in Europe and Asia.

Turkey's flag doesn't have

a turkey on it like you may think! Turkey's flag is red and white with a crescent moon and a star on it.

And now the question you've been waiting to have answered! Does Turkey celebrate Thanksgiving?

Since Thanksgiving is an

American holiday, the Turks do not celebrate Thanksgiving. They do give thanks though. The Americans in Turkey, such as military personnel, students, tourists, and businessmen do celebrate Thanksgiving. Turkey (the food this time) is a favorite in Turkey, just like in America!

Finally, as this country is celebrating Thanksgiving, enjoy your turkey!!



Fall Poems by Rebecca B.

Fall Leaves

Many colors on the trees
But not as much to please
There is orange, brown, and red
You see as they fall down on your head.
It is fall as you may know
Because you see no blankets of snow.

Being Thankful

It is Thanksgiving.
And as you may know
This time will eventually go.
So let's be thankful
For those at the school
Who make us grateful.

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Running Club with Mr. Walters by Alex L.

Question: “Why did you start the Running Club?”

Answer: “We started the club so we could get kids involved in athletic activity and to get the athletes in shape for their season.”

Question: “How many students were in the Running Club this year compared to last year?”

Answer: “We had 20 kids last year and 53 this year.”

Question: “How did the students like it?”



Answer: “The students really enjoyed it because they participated at different levels. You could see them starting to like running because they weren’t rushed by faster kids.”

Question: “How did the students improve, if they improved at all?”

Answer: “Most of them improved 30 seconds or 1-2 minutes in the mile run so a big improvement.”

Selena Gomez with her new pup Baylor. Submitted by Kaitlyn C.

Just recently, Selena Gomez and Justin Bieber adopted a puppy. The week of the adoption, also happened to be the week of Selena’s tour. Selena did not plan on getting a puppy during her tour, but she missed her five puppies back home which she had also rescued. Soon after the adoption Selena came up with the name Baylor.

Baylor is a husky mix. They adopted Baylor at the Winniepeg Animal Rescue Center. The rescue center owner was surprised to see two famous stars in front of his very eyes and was also shocked to see Selena had adopted a dog during her tour as well as herself. Since then, Baylor has been living a happy life, and Selena and Justin hope

it will stay that way. Good Luck Justin and Selena and Congratulations!!!!



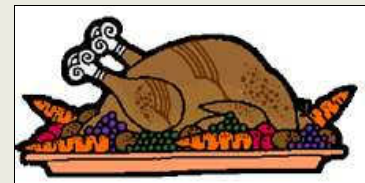
Why Turkey for Thanksgiving? by Alex P.

You may be thinking, why is the turkey chosen for the main meal at Thanksgiving? It’s all very simple. In 1619 to 1620 the Pilgrims came to Plymouth, Massachusetts. There they met Native Americans. The Pilgrims were very poor and hungry. Therefore, the Native Americans taught them how to farm.

In 1621 the Pilgrims had a feast to show their gratitude. The Pilgrims invited the Native Americans. The Native Americans accepted the

invitation and brought a turkey to eat, along with different foods. However why is turkey the main meal? If you think about it, turkeys are very large and can feed great amounts of people.

Now you may ask why not chicken? Well instead of needing three chickens to feed a family, you only need one turkey to feed a whole family. This is why the turkey was chosen for the main meal for Thanksgiving!



Favorite Thanksgiving Food by Heather E.



17 people chose
pumpkin pie



16 people chose
turkey



11 people chose
mashed potatoes



8 people chose
stuffing

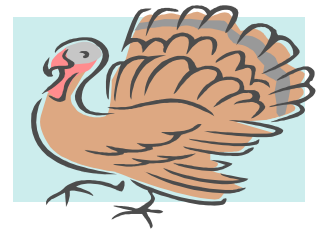
We asked 40 sixth and seventh graders what their favorite Thanksgiving food is. Pumpkin pie was the winner with turkey a close second! Mashed potatoes and stuffing were last, but they are still yummy!!

World Records: Thanksgiving & Christmas by Sierra and Saman-

THANKSGIVING

Biggest Turkey: It weighs 1 pound. Kidding it weighs 44 pounds. Joking again, it actually weighs 86 pounds! Oh my, who ever ate this turkey probably gained a few pounds.

Biggest Potato: Hmm, is it 100 pounds? Nope. How about 25 pounds? You guessed it! I wonder who has a pan that can fit that many mashed potatoes, or should I say potato.



CHRISTMAS

Tallest Christmas tree: Do you know how tall it is. You do? Yup, it's 12 feet. Nope. What! It is actually 160 feet. Wow, I wonder if anyone has a ladder that tall. I'll ask Bob from Home Depot.

Biggest candy cane: Cool is it for sale because I want it. I don't know, but I can tell you how much it weighs. It weighs..... 3 and 1/2 pounds. Now that's a lot for a candy cane. Whoa, I won't have to brush my teeth for a whole month (unless I eat something else). Now that's minty.



What Do Kids Think About Responsibility?

by Rebekah B., Sarah H., and Sarah W.

What does responsibility mean to you?

It means to follow directions and to be trustworthy. (5th girl)

Being nice, showing kindness and people not hitting in the hallway. (5th boy)

To be on time and to be organized. (6th girl)

It means a lot but without responsibility you would not be organized. (6th boy)

Remembering homework and remembering your stuff. (7th girl)

You remember to bring your supplies to class along with homework, and you keep your promises. (7th boy)

Taking blame for what you did. (8th girl)

It means to take blame for what you did or stand up for what you believe. (8th boy)

How will responsibility raise your grades?

When you are responsible you do not get late work. (5th girl)

You'll have to be trustful and nice to get good grades. (5th boy)

You will learn more with responsibility. (6th girl)

If you're responsible you will study for tests and stay on task. (6th boy)

Well if you aren't studying and doing your homework you will get a bad grade, and sometimes teachers give extra credit and that can raise your grade. (7th girl)

People can depend on you more. (7th boy)

You will do your work and get it right. (8th girl)

It shows that you are responsible, so you know you did the right thing. It makes you feel better. (8th boy)

When is it more important to be responsible?

At school and with your family. (5th girl)

In school and home. (5th boy)

Always. (6th girl)

If there is a big test, keeping your grades steady and go with the flow. (6th boy)

School mainly because you remember to do homework, study for tests, and any other reports. (7th girl)

When a huge project is due, if a test is coming up, or when your friend needs you. (7th boy)

When you are around other people, and when you are doing work. (8th girl)

When you are in a situation that can frighten somebody. (8th boy)

Why is it important to be responsible at school?

So people will trust you. (5th girl)

So you don't get in trouble, or detentions or suspensions. (5th boy)

So you can learn. (6th girl)

If you're not responsible it will affect grades. (6th boy)

So you don't forget to study for a big test. (7th girl)

So you don't get into trouble, and so you can be a good friend. (7th boy)

You can get good grades, so you can do the things you want too. (8th girl)

It can make you feel like a better person. (8th boy)

How does responsibility make you a good person?

You'll earn trust and make friends. (5th girl)

It helps you not get in trouble and helps you to be nice to people. (5th boy)

They could trust you, but if you didn't have responsibility you could not be trusted. (6th girl)

With responsibility it will make you responsible and trustworthy. (6th boy)

Well it can show people you can do things. (7th girl)

By remembering to study for tests and remembering to do your homework. (7th boy)

Because if you make a bad choice there will be consequences. (8th girl)

If you're responsible you'll do your homework, study for tests and get them right. (8th boy)



Get to Know Mr. Millar Interview by Karah H.

“What country are you from?”
“I am from Scotland, UK.”

“What is your favorite thing about Scotland?”

“My favorite thing about Scotland is definitely the people.”



“Why did you choose to come to Illinois out of any other state?”

“I have lived here for a while, and my wife lives here too.”

“What college did you go to?”

“I went to Roosevelt University.”

“How do you like teaching at Big Hollow?”

“What is your favorite thing about teaching?”

“My favorite thing about teaching is getting to do something I enjoy everyday.”

“What is your favorite color?”

“My favorite color is orange.”

“What is your favorite holiday?”

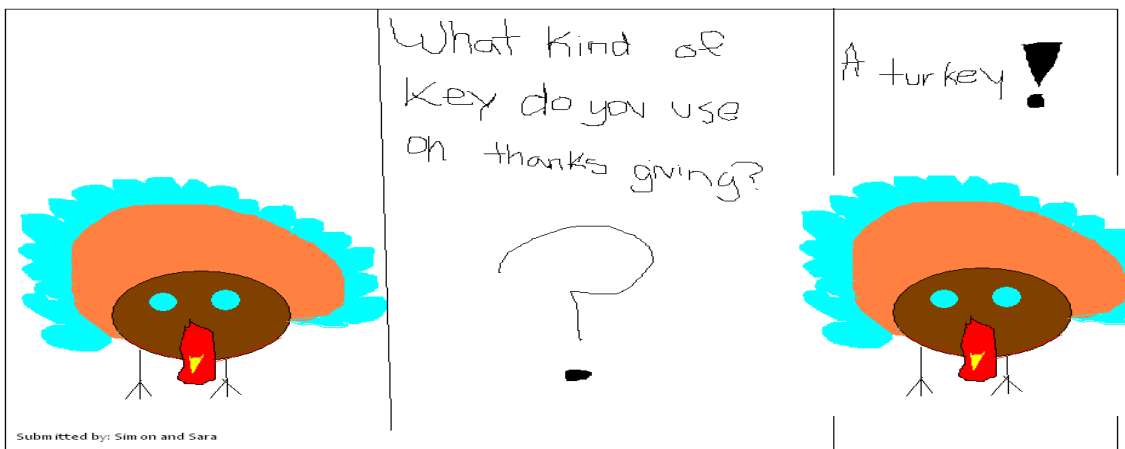
“I like Spring Break.”

Taylor Swift's New Kitten by Michelle

Did you hear? The 21-year-old country singer, Taylor Swift, recently adopted a kitten! She named her little feline Meredith and has admitted she is a “cat lady”.

She will be turning 22 on December 13. Taylor Swift has also won the Entertainer of the Year award for the second time at the CMA's on Wednesday, November 9.

Congratulations, Taylor !!



By Simon and Sara

Dear Linsey:

Dear Linsey,

I'm in the Newspaper Club, but my friend is in the Art Club. I'm really good at art, but I like doing comics for the newspaper. What club should I commit to?

-Multi- Clubs



Dear Multi- Club's,

You can be in Newspaper Club in school, and you can talk to your mom about doing art outside of school. I hope all works out!

Love, Linsey

Dear Linsey,

I have a big test coming up soon. How should I study for it?

-Honor Student

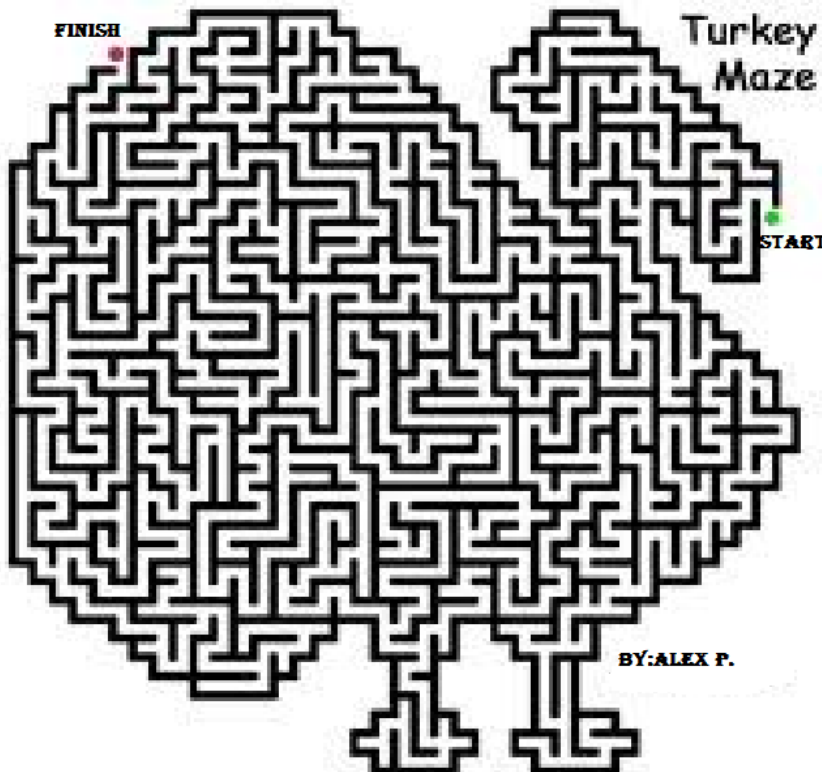


Dear Honor Student,

I'm an honor student too! I study by repeating the question and answer over and over in my head until I get it right. Then I quiz myself. I hope you get an A+!

Love, Linsey

Have a question? Need advice? Send your questions to us! Just place your questions in the boxes located in Mrs. Ambler or Mrs. Howard's room!



**DIRECTIONS:
STEVE HAS BEEN
EATEN FOR
THANKSGIVING!
BY A TURKEY?!?!
HELP STEVE GET
OUT OF THE
TURKEY'S
STOMACH**