

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THANKSGIVING?

(Ages ~5 to 15)

PURPOSE

To help family members better appreciate the history and customs of Thanksgiving

MATERIALS

- Scriptures
- Paper and pencils for each family member

SUGGESTED SONG

- "Can a Little Child Like Me?" page 9 in Children's Songbook
- "Prayer of Thanksgiving" #93 in Hymns



LESSON IDEAS

- 1. You may want to begin your lesson with one of the fun quizzes below about Thanksgiving. Give each family member paper and pencil to see who gets the best score.
 - a. Online Thanksgiving Quiz
 - b. Thanksgiving Quiz (below)
- 2. Your family may enjoy learning about the first Thanksgiving by watching the following:
 - a. Kid's History of Thanksgiving Day (3 minutes)
- 3. Family members may be interested to discover that Nephi saw the Pilgrims in vision.
 - a. Read 1 Nephi 13:12-16 and have your family look for verses that speak of the Pilgrims.
 - b. Help them understand that the Pilgrims were inspired by God to come to America.
- 4. Testify of the importance of being grateful for those who prepared the way before us to live in this free country.

ACTIVITY IDEAS

- 1. Activities and crafts for younger children:
 - a. Fun Disney characters coloring page
 - b. Colorful Turkey decoration
 - c. Thanksgiving coloring pages
- 2. Service project ideas for older children. A great way to express thanks is by serving others.
 - a. Service Project Ideas

A Quiz About Thanksgiving

- 1. The name of the ship the Pilgrims sailed in was called:
 - a. The Nina
 - b. The Pinta
 - c. The Mayflower (correct answer)
 - d. The Juneflower
- 2. How many people were onboard the Mayflower?
 - a. 600
 - b. 22
 - c. 102 (correct answer)
 - d. No one knows
- 3. Why did the Pilgrims come to the new land?
 - a. To find religious freedom (correct answer)
 - b. To find gold and treasure
 - c. To find the Jamestown colony
 - d. To find the Mormons
- 4. Where did the Pilgrims land?
 - a. New York
 - b. Salt Lake City
 - c. Plymouth, Massachusetts (correct answer)
 - d. Boston, Massachusetts
- 5. Almost 75% of the Pilgrims died during their first year in America. True False (45 died)
- 6. What was the name of the Indian who helped the Pilgrims?
 - a. Pocahontas
 - b. Hiawatha
 - c. Squanto (correct answer)
 - d. Sitting Bull
- 7. To thank the Indians for their help the Pilgrims held a celebration that lasted:
 - a. A week
 - b. Three days (correct answer)
 - c. One month
 - d. Three hours
- 8. Which president made Thanksgiving an official national holiday?
 - a. Abraham Lincoln
 - b. George Washington
 - c. Theodore Roosevelt
 - d. John Adams

