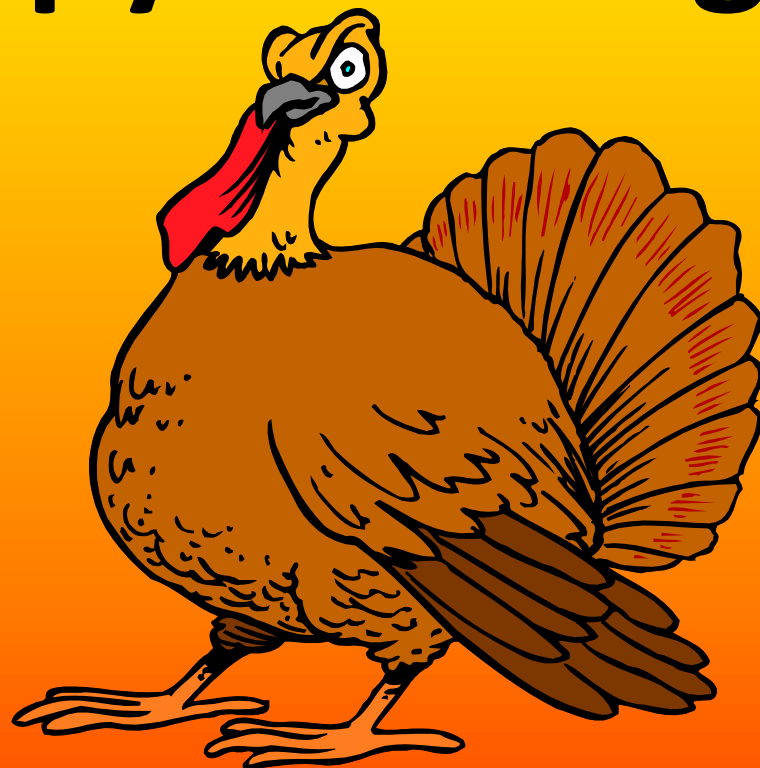


Happy Thanksgiving!



A Guide to a Very Special Holiday



What is Thanksgiving?

- Thanksgiving is a national holiday celebrated in November.
- President George Washington proclaimed the first official nationwide Thanksgiving in 1789 – 225 years ago!



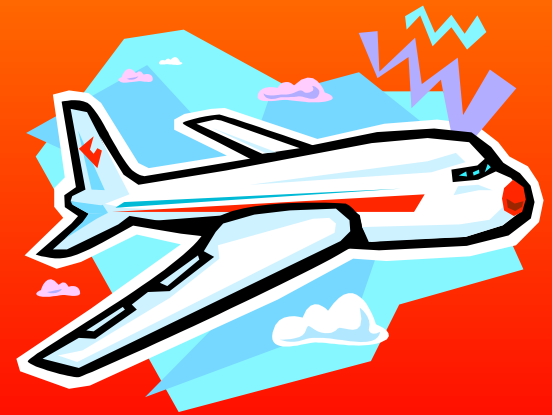
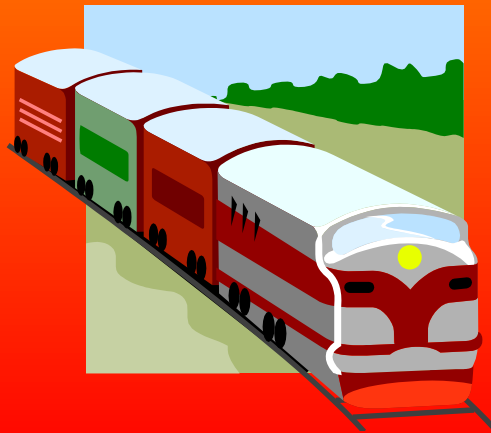
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- On Thanksgiving, we give thanks for the things in our lives that bring us happiness – like our moms and dads, our siblings and grandparents, our aunts and uncles and friends, our house or apartment, our toys and lots more!

Getting to Thanksgiving

- If you have Thanksgiving at your grandparents', cousins' or friends' house, you may have to travel a little ways to get there, by car or train, or even plane!
- It's okay though, you can bring some toys or books and snacks for the ride.
- You will have lots of fun celebrating Thanksgiving with them when you get to your destination!



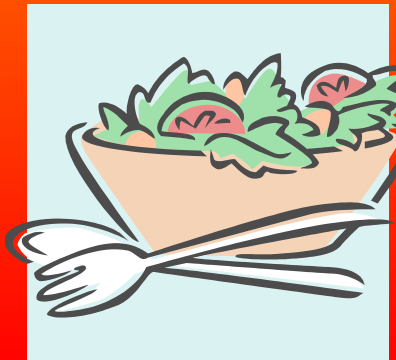
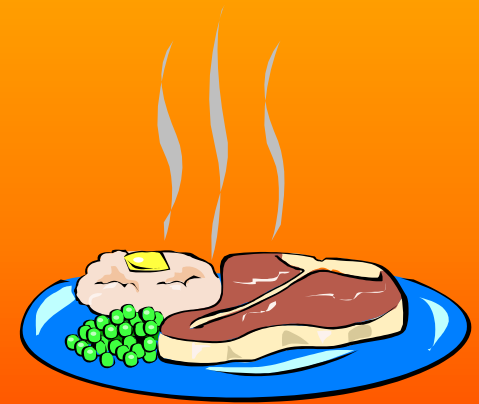
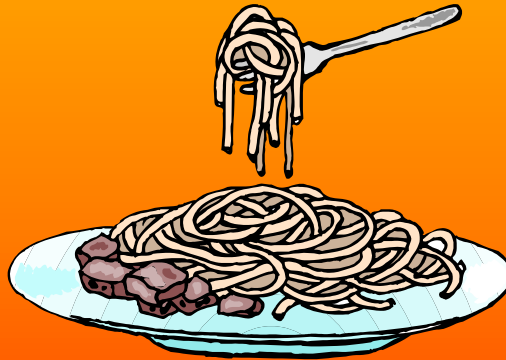
Thanksgiving Dinner

- Thanksgiving is usually celebrated with a great big lunch or dinner filled with lots of yummy food!



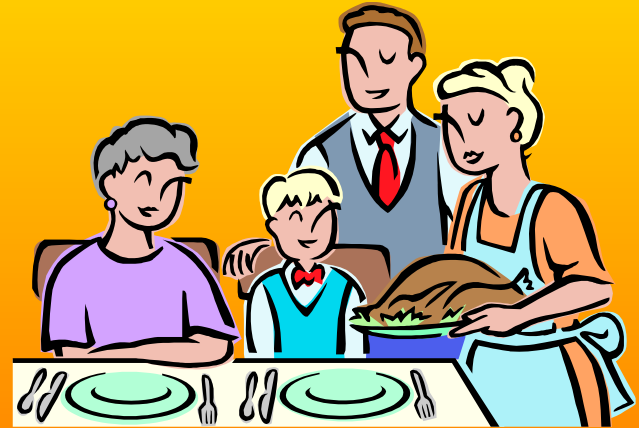
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- Lots of people eat turkey for Thanksgiving, but other people eat things like pasta, steak, ham, salad - whatever you and your family like best!



Family and Friends

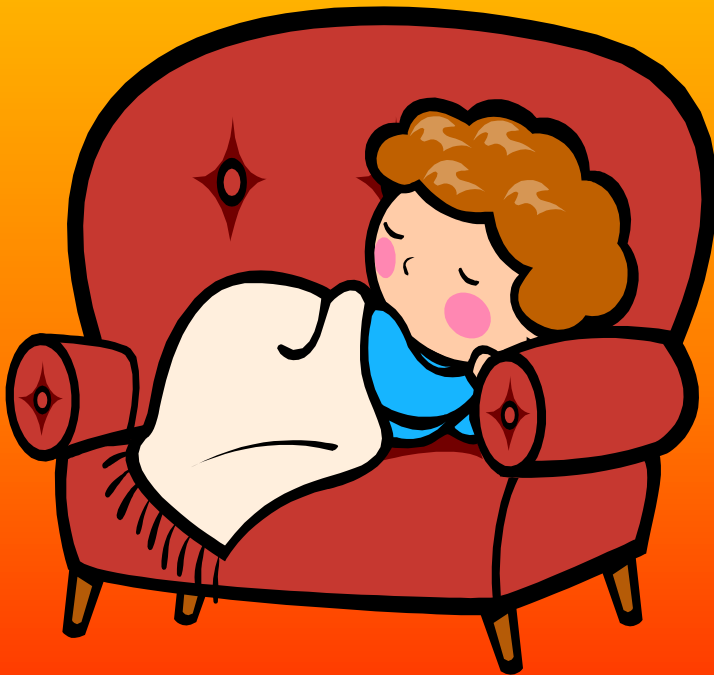
- Some Thanksgiving dinners are small, just kids and their parents, which are very special.



- Other have lots and lots of cousins, aunts, uncles and friends!



Quiet Place



- If there are lots of friends and family members at your Thanksgiving dinner, the table will probably be louder than usual.
- It is okay to have your mom or dad help you find a quiet place to sit or lay down.

Helping Out

- There are probably adults cooking Thanksgiving dinner in the kitchen.
- It might be nice to go to the kitchen and see if they need any help making the yummy meal or setting the table.



What are you thankful for?



- Thanksgiving is the perfect time to say thank you to the people you are thankful for – like your mom and dad or brother and sister or friend.
- What else are you thankful for?

**Happy Thanksgiving to you
and your family and friends!**



Have fun and enjoy the special day!