

Lesson Plan for the Thanksgiving

Concept – The Thanksgiving Holiday	Class Description – Preschool at home	Date of Lesson – Week of Nov 21st
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*We will spend the entire *Thanksgiving* week learning about how different components of the holiday; from food and cooking to how the first feast was started. There are many fun crafts on the agenda for this theme.*

Instructional Objectives – After concluding this unit, student will:

- Understand that Turkey and Thanksgiving start with the letter *T*
- Have heard/read the story of the first Thanksgiving dinner
- Learn about “pilgrims and Indians”
- Learn about dinners with family and place settings
- Help cook our portion of Thanksgiving dinner
- Attend the Thanksgiving Day Parade in NYC

Anticipatory Set – Talk about what we’re thankful for.

TOPICS

Turkey

- Crafts
 - Handprint Painted Turkey - <http://www.meetthedubiens.com/2011/10/handprint-turkeys.html>
 - TP roll Turkey - <http://www.busybeekidscrafts.com/TP-Roll-Turkey.html>
 - Thankful Turkey - <http://www.crafts-for-all-seasons.com/thankful-turkey-craft.html>
 - Felt Handprint Turkey Puppets - <http://poppymilkface.wordpress.com/2011/11/01/easy-kiddo-craft-felt-handprint-turkeys/>

Thanksgiving

- Thanksgiving Dinner
 - Read about the first dinner - <http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/kids/stories/history/first-thanksgiving/>
 - Learn about “pilgrims and Indians”
 - Craft
 - Feather headband - <http://www.allkidsnetwork.com/crafts/thanksgiving/native-american-headband.asp>
 - Corn - <http://pinterest.com/pin/77827899780102273/>
 - Help prepare candied yams and talk about what other people make for this holiday dinner
 - Learn about place settings and how to set a table
 - Color placemat - <http://www.allfreecrafts.com/kids/placemat.shtml>
- Thanksgiving Parade
 - Watch videos of past parades - http://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=+thanksgiving+parade&oq=+thanksgiving+parade&aq=f&aqi=g10&aql=&gs_sm=e&gs_upl=18281828101210411110101015315310.11110
 - Talk about the balloons at this year’s - http://social.macys.com/parade2011/?cm_mmc=VanityUrl- -parade- -n- -n#/home
 - Attend the parade – weather permitting - <http://askmissa.com/2011/11/17/tips-for-attending-macys-thanksgiving-day-parade-with-a-toddler/>
- Crafts
 - Thanksgiving Tree - <http://craftsbyamanda.com/2010/10/childs-thanksgiving-tree-craft.html>