



# Thanksgiving



## 1 Read and correct the sentences.

Every year, all across the USA, on the **fourth Thursday of November**, people celebrate Thanksgiving! Families and friends gather together to celebrate everything they are thankful for. Thanksgiving dinner is always a huge feast that usually includes roast turkey, stuffing, sweet potatoes, corn, and pumpkin pie for dessert.

### But why do they celebrate Thanksgiving?

Before the first settlers came to America, there were Native American tribes living all across the land. In the autumn of 1620, a group of English settlers were having trouble finding food. The **Native Americans** knew the land and taught them how to hunt deer, fish, and plant corn. After the first harvest, in 1621, they sat together and the first Thanksgiving was celebrated. The settlers gave 'thanks' for what the North Americans taught them. They ate a meal of roast meat, fish and corn.



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2 Usually a simple dinner is prepared.

3 On Thanksgiving, people celebrate by giving gifts.

4 The settlers were the first people to live in America.

5 The Native Americans taught the settlers how to fight.

6 The Native Americans and the settlers sat together and ate their first meal before the harvest.

## 2 Match the definitions to the words.

a autumn

b November

c Thanksgiving

d harvest

e settler

f turkey

1  The month that comes before December.

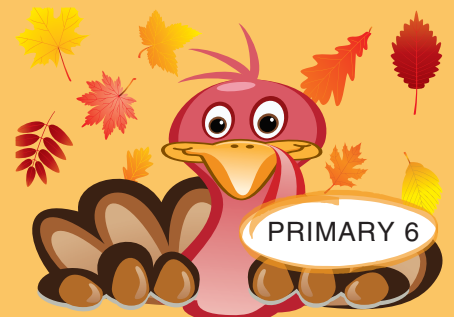
2  An American celebration that takes place on the fourth Thursday of November.

3  The season when it starts to get cold and the leaves on the trees change colour.

4  The time when farmers gather the crops they've planted.

5  A person who goes to live in a new undiscovered land.

6  A very large bird, usually with black and white feathers.



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