

Thanksgiving Video and web resources

These videos are from the Discovery Education video collection, part of United Streaming suitable for all grades.

The websites below the video list are for grades 3-5, or, can be used for younger students with the teacher leading as a class lesson using the projector or TV.

http://vod.esc11.net/videos/26178/pgr26178_256k.asf

A "Pilgrim" explains to a modern day boy what Thanksgiving means. He learns what the Indians taught the Pilgrims and how they helped. Students learn about the first Thanksgiving, what they ate and how long the feast lasted. Students also learn how three Presidents helped make Thanksgiving a national holiday.

15:40 minutes

http://vod.esc11.net/videos/25623/pgr25623_256k.asf

As school children are collecting food for needy people, their teacher tells the story of the first Thanksgiving. Students will learn about the Wampanoag Indians and how they helped the Pilgrims, games the Pilgrim children played, and more interesting history. There is a quiz available at the end of the video that can be used as a class activity.

12:38 minutes

http://vod.esc11.net/videos/39264/pgr39264_256k.asf

This cartoon format introduces you to Governor John Carver, William Bradford, Squanto and other important people who were part of the first Thanksgiving. 27.16 minutes

Other website resources:

<http://teacher.scholastic.com/thanksgiving/>

The first Thanksgiving story and history

http://www.hubbardscupboard.org/the_pilgrims_first_thanksgivi.html

This site offer ideas and activities for Kindergarten and First Grade

http://www.plimoth.org/OLC/index_js2.html

A great interactive "thinking" website