



Thanksgiving Activity & Mini-Lapbook

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How do I get started?

First, you will want to gather your supplies. Depending on which format you purchased from us, you will need different supplies. So, take what applies, and skip over the rest.

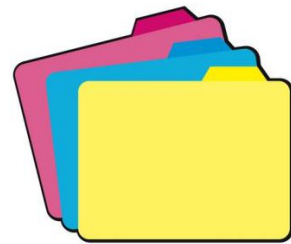
*** Printing:

- *Print instructions and study guide on white copy paper.
- *Print the booklet templates on 24# colored paper.



*** Assembly:

***Folders:** We use colored file folders, which can be found at Wal-Mart, Sam's, Office Depot, Costco, etc. You will need 1 file folder. You may use manila folders if you prefer, but we have found that children respond better with the brightly colored folders. Don't worry about the tabs.... they aren't important. If you prefer, you can purchase the assembled mini-lapbook bases from our website.



***Glue:** For booklet assembly, we use glue sticks and sometimes hot glue, depending on the specific booklet. We have found that bottle glue stays wet for too long, so it's not a great choice for lapbooking.



***Other Supplies:** Of course, you will need scissors. Many booklets require additional supplies. Some of these include metal brad fasteners, paper clips, ribbon, yarn, staples, hole puncher, etc. You may want to add decorations of your own, including stickers, buttons, coloring pages, cut-out clipart, etc. The most important thing is to use your imagination! Make it your own!!



Ok. I've gathered the supplies. Now how do I use this product?

Inside, you will find several sections. They are as follows:

1. **Student Assembly and Completion Instructions:** This section is written directly to the student, in language that he or she can understand. However, depending on the age of the child, there may be some parent/teacher assistance needed. These instructions will tell the student exactly how to assemble the mini-lapbook base and how to cut out and assemble each booklet. Here, they will find a layout of where each booklet should be placed in the mini-lapbook and pictures of a completed mini-lapbook. They will also tell the student exactly what should be written inside each booklet as he or she comes to it during the study.
2. **Booklet Templates:** This section includes all of the templates for the booklets within this mini-lapbook.
3. **Study Guide:** This section includes most of the information that you need to teach this subject. You may choose to teach directly from the Study Guide, or you may choose to allow your student to read the study guide himself. Either way, you will find all of the information here.

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Student Instruction Guide

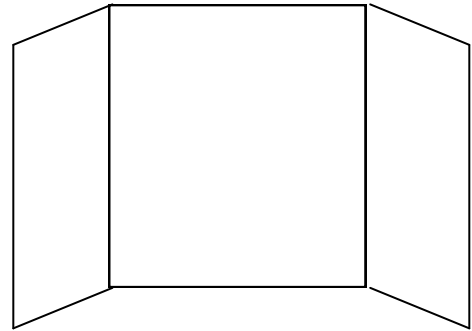
Lapbook Base Assembly:

First, you will need to assemble the “Mini-Lapbook Base” for your project.

For this lapbook, you will need 2 file folder. Open one file folder, and lay it flat in front of you. Fold both sides of the folder toward the middle. The edges (or tabs) of the folded sides should touch the center original fold line on the folders. See **Figure 1**.

Cut the second file folder in half and trim the tabbed edge off. Tape this trimmed piece to the bottom edge of your mini-lapbook base to create a folding flap.

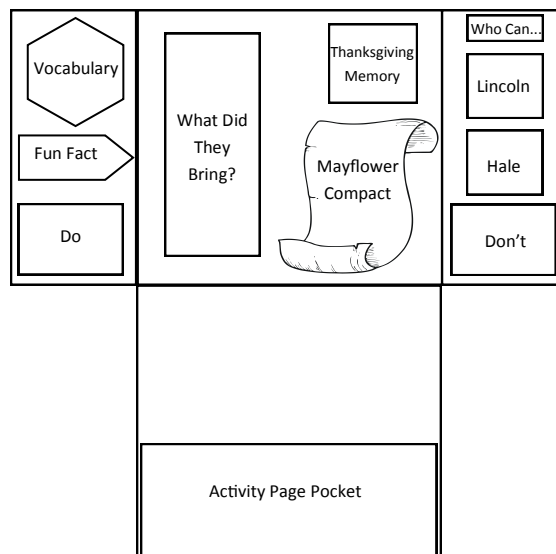
Figure 1



Lapbook Layout:

Below, you will see a layout for the lapbook. You may choose to glue the booklets into your Lapbook Base in any order that you like. However, you may have trouble fitting all of them in unless you follow the layout below. Some of the shapes aren't exactly the same on the layout as the booklets themselves.

Folder 1



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Student Instruction Guide

Booklet #1

***Booklet Title:** Thanksgiving Memory Game

***Assembly Instructions:** Cut out the game piece cards on the next two pages. Cut out the pocket to the right and fold on the dotted lines. Glue the flaps to the back side to create a pouch. Then, glue the pocket to the folder. Store the game pieces in this pocket.

***Game Instructions:** Lay the cards face down on a flat surface in four rows of six. Each player takes a turn flipping over two cards. If the cards match that player removes the cards from the playing area and gets another turn. If the cards do not match the player turns them back over in the same spaces and the turn moves to the next player. The player with the most matching sets at the end of the game wins.

Booklet #2

***Booklet Title:** The Dos and Don'ts of helping out in the kitchen

Assembly Instructions: Cut out the squares on the next page. Then cut out the pocket below and fold on the dotted lines. Glue the flaps to the lapbook base to create a pouch.

Store the squares in the correct “DO” or “DON’T” pocket.

Booklet #3

Booklet Title: Vocabulary

Assembly Instructions: Cut the vocabulary book out as one piece. Fold all tabs inward and glue the bottom of the book to the folder. Under each flap write the definition for the word on that flap.

Booklet #4

Booklet Title: What Did They Bring? Flap Book

Assembly Instructions: Cut all boxes and boxed words out. Glue one word at the bottom of each box, starting with the largest and work backwards to the next to smallest. The smallest box will be your cover and should have the cover picture glued on to it. Cut out the words and glue one word to the bottom of each box. Draw a picture in the remaining area of each box to depict the word glued to that box. Lastly, stack all of the boxes together smallest to largest and staple.

Booklet #5

Booklet Title: The Mayflower Compact

Assembly Instructions: Cut page 1 and page 2 out along outer edge of the scroll. Glue the picture below onto page 1. Staple page 2 behind page 1 (example below) and glue onto the folder.

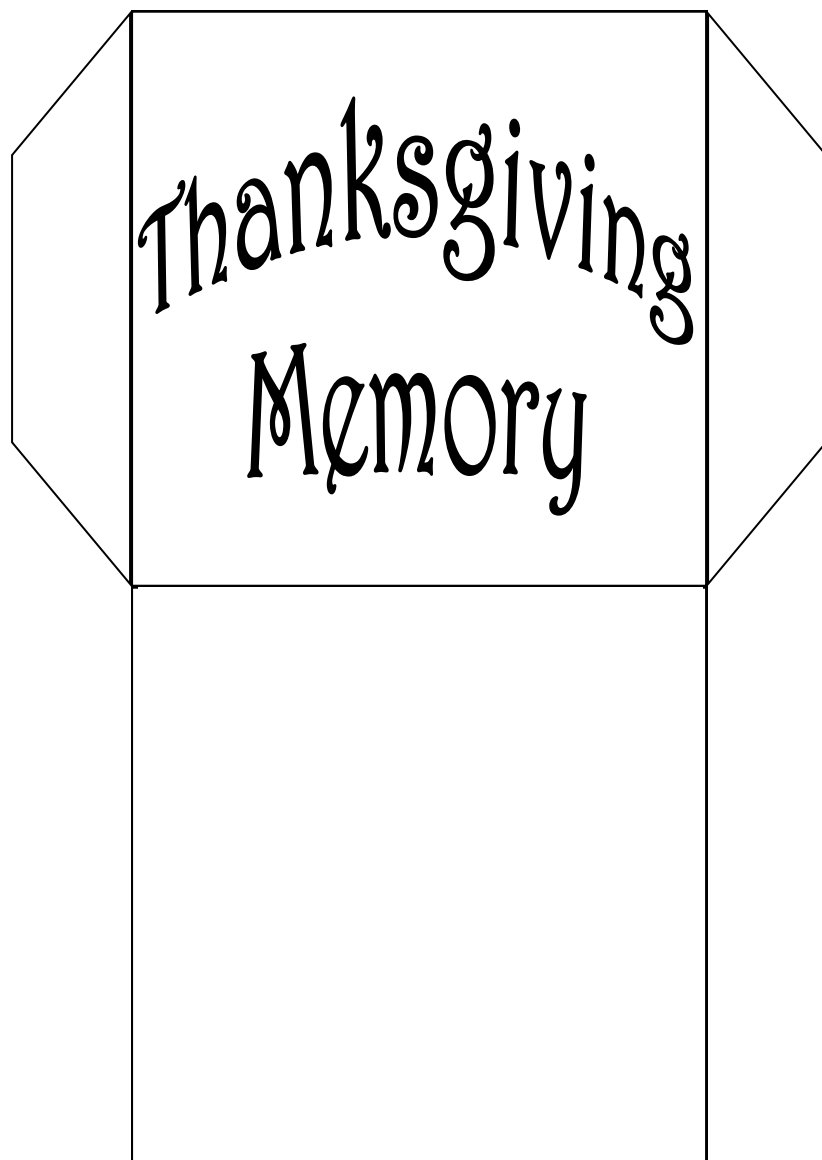
Booklet #6

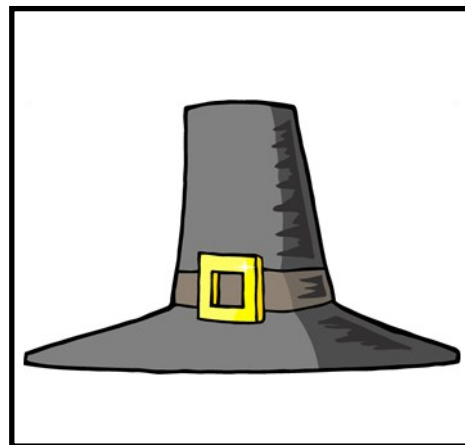
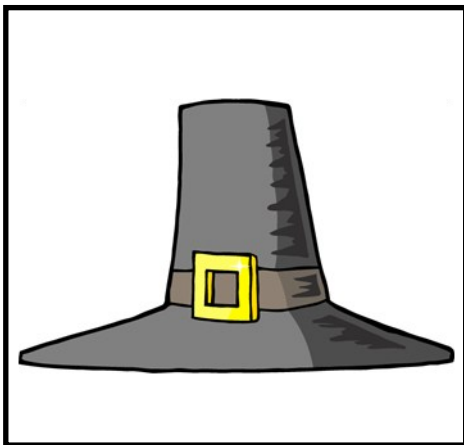
Booklet Title: Who Can We Thank? Matchbooks

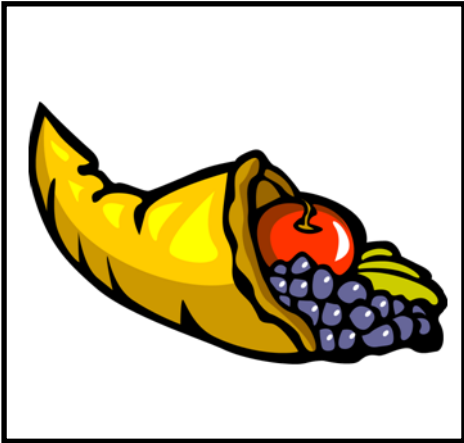
Assembly Instructions: Cut out the title bar and matchbooks below. Fold the matchbooks on the dotted lines inward, with the small flap on the bottom covering the top flap. Cut out and glue the pictures from the next page on the outside cover of the folded matchbook. On the inside of the matchbook glue the corresponding name and description that go with the photo on the outside. Fill in the missing letters in the names of our two contributors.

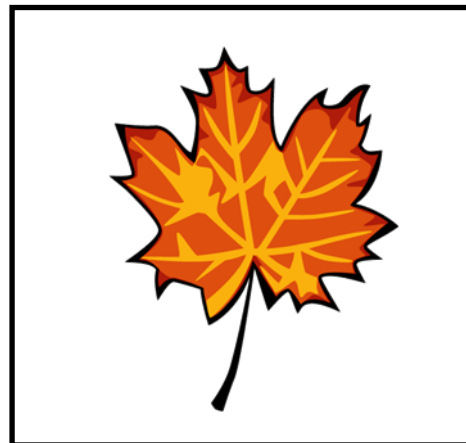
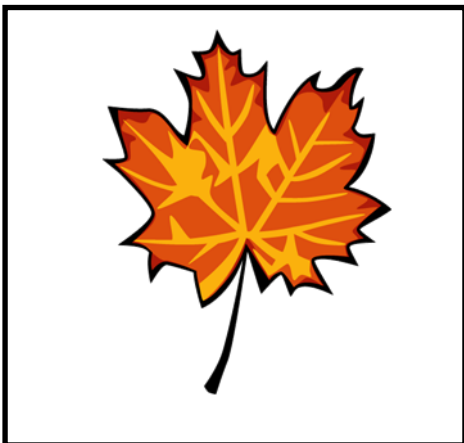
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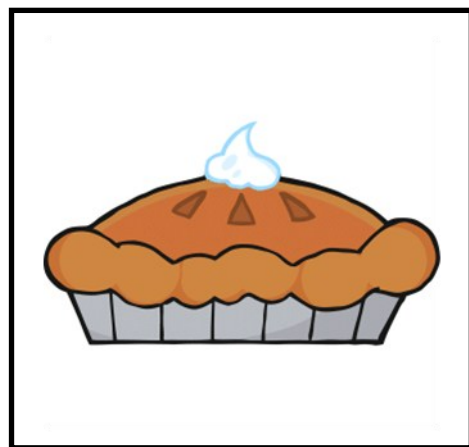
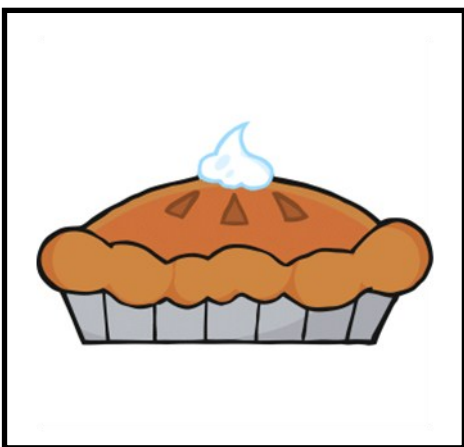
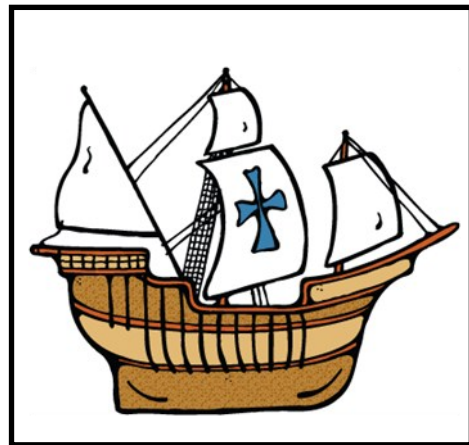
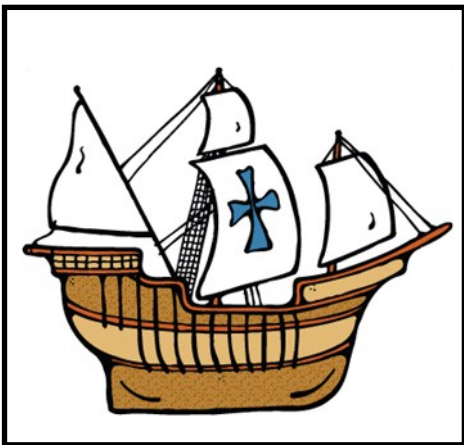
Assembly Instructions: Cut out along the outer black lines edges Fold each flap backward on the bold lines. Glue the flaps to the fold out flap as indicated on page 5 to create a pocket. Store all activity pages in this pocket.











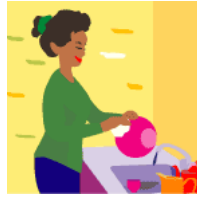




Ask for a step so you
can reach your work!



Help your mom clean
up the mess!



Wash your hands
before you begin!



Stick your hands in
running water
before you know if it's
hot or cold.



Play with matches or
lighters you may find!



Touch the stove or
pans because they may
be **HOT!**



Use knives or sharp
objects without an
adult's help.



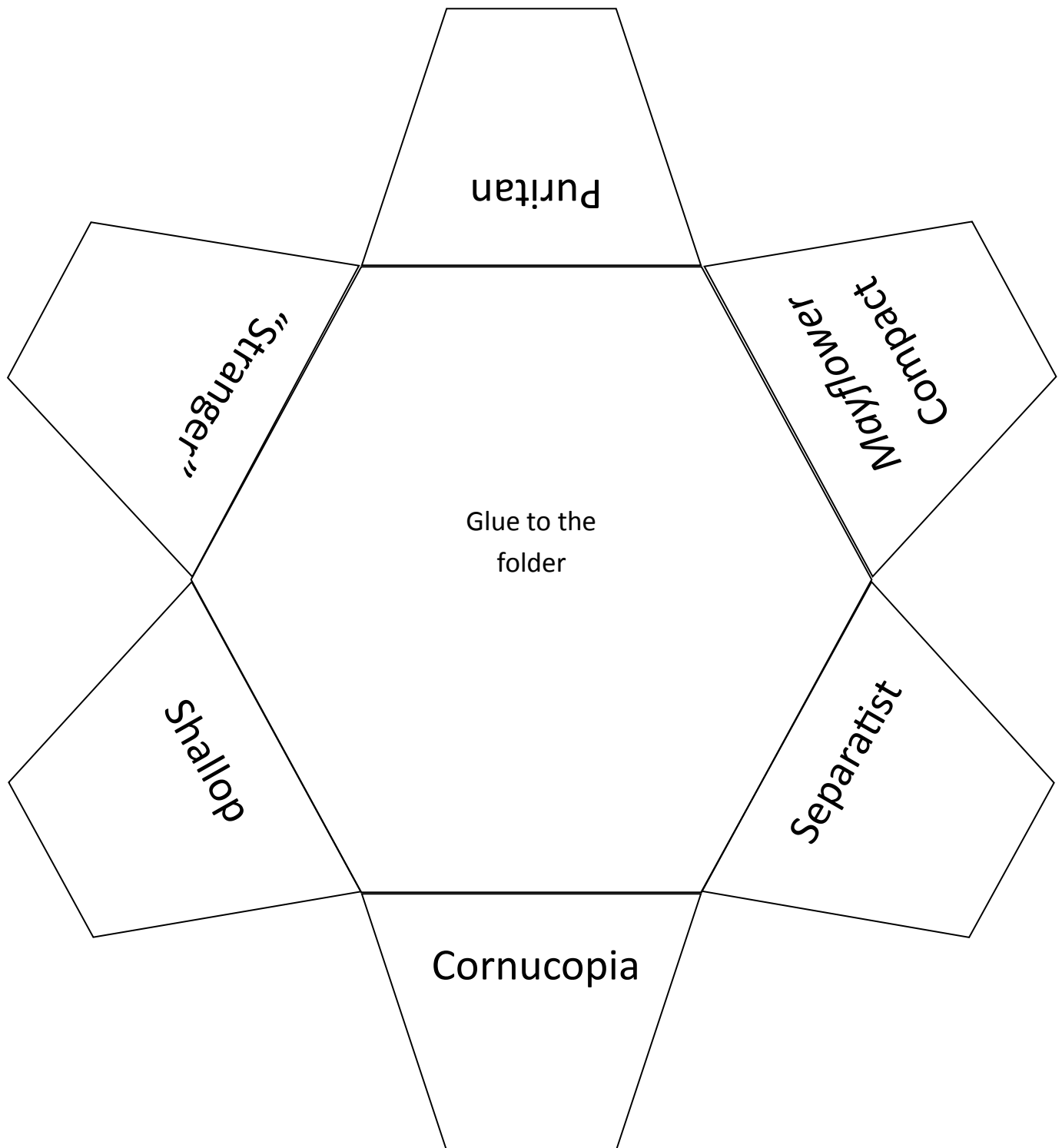
Throw away all trash
and packaging!

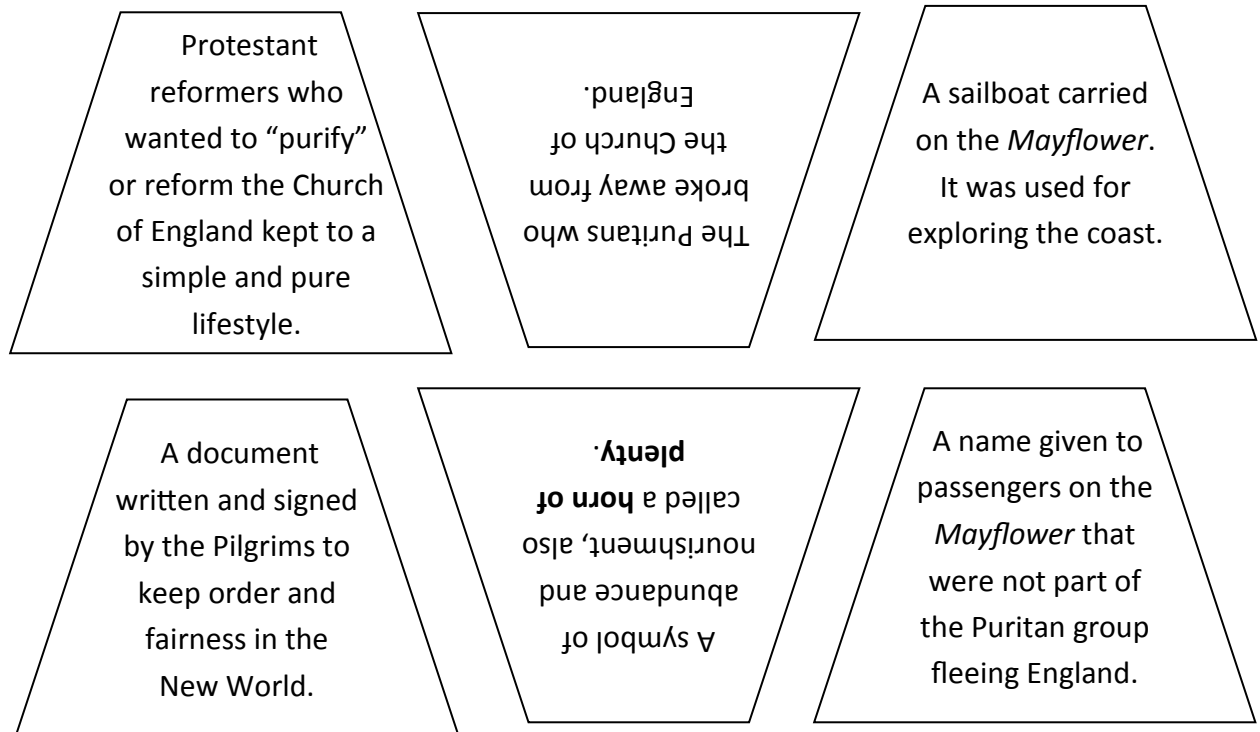


Touch any cleaners or
chemical without your
parents permission.

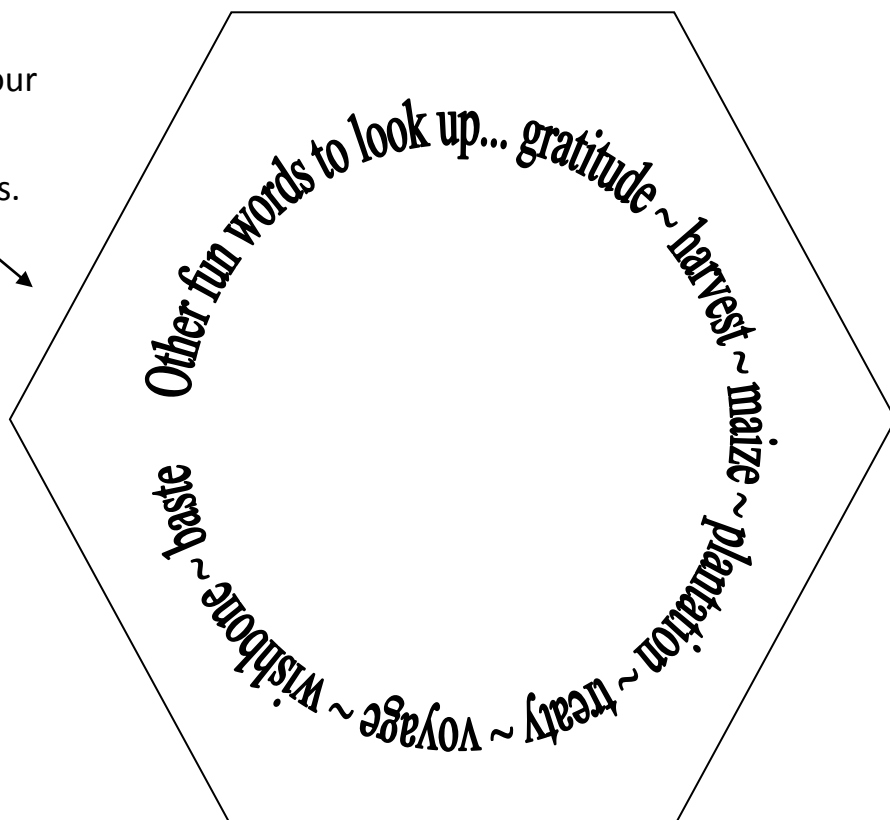


Ask your parents for
help!



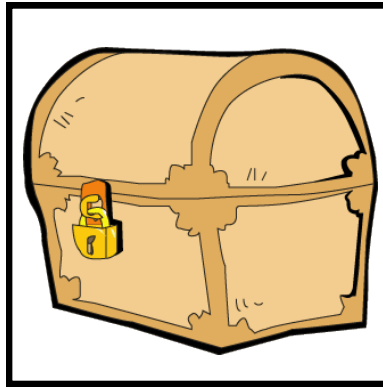


Glue this inside your hexagon of vocabulary words.



What Did They Bring?

Glue
Cover picture
here



Some Animals

Fishing Supplies

Clothing/Fabric

Food

Tools

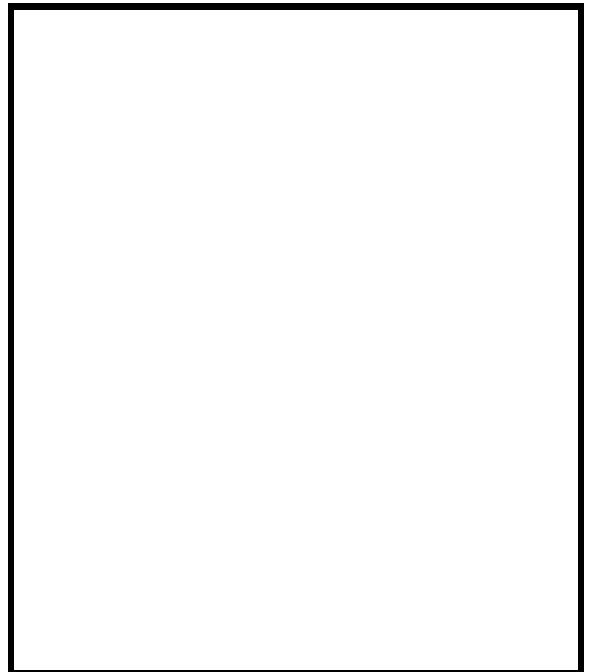
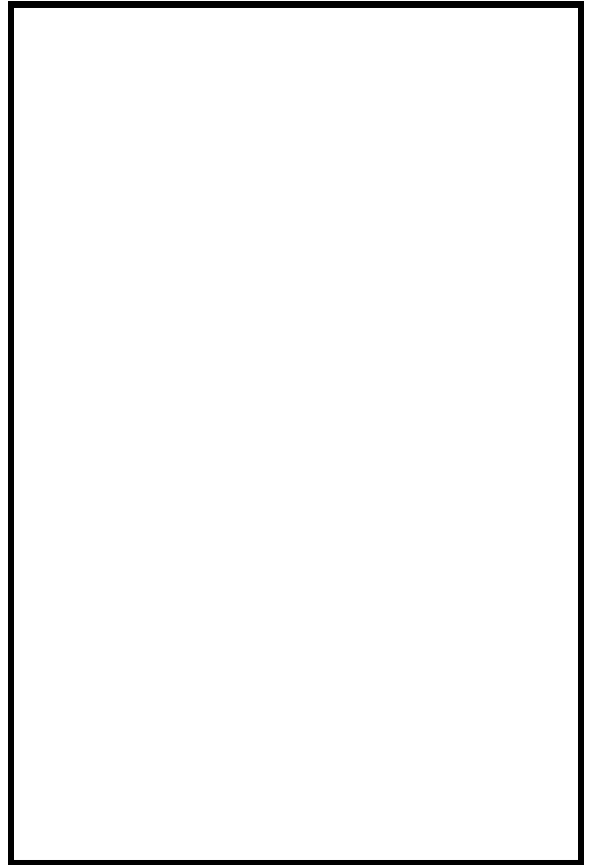
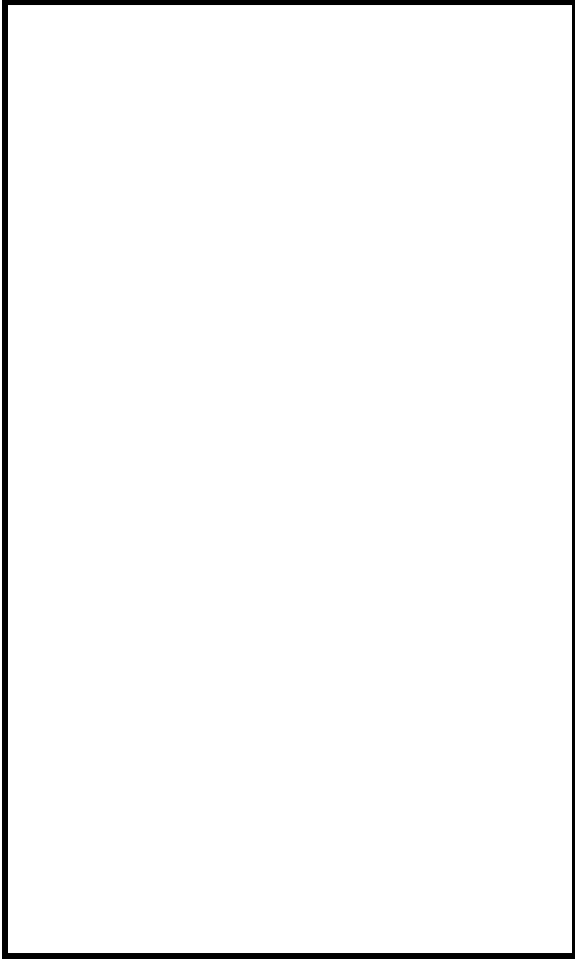
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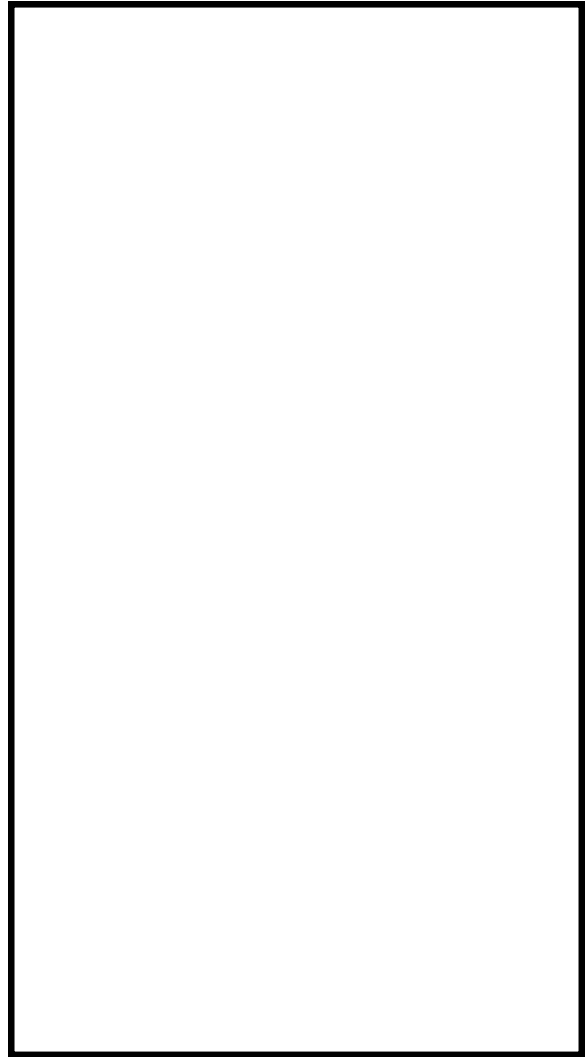
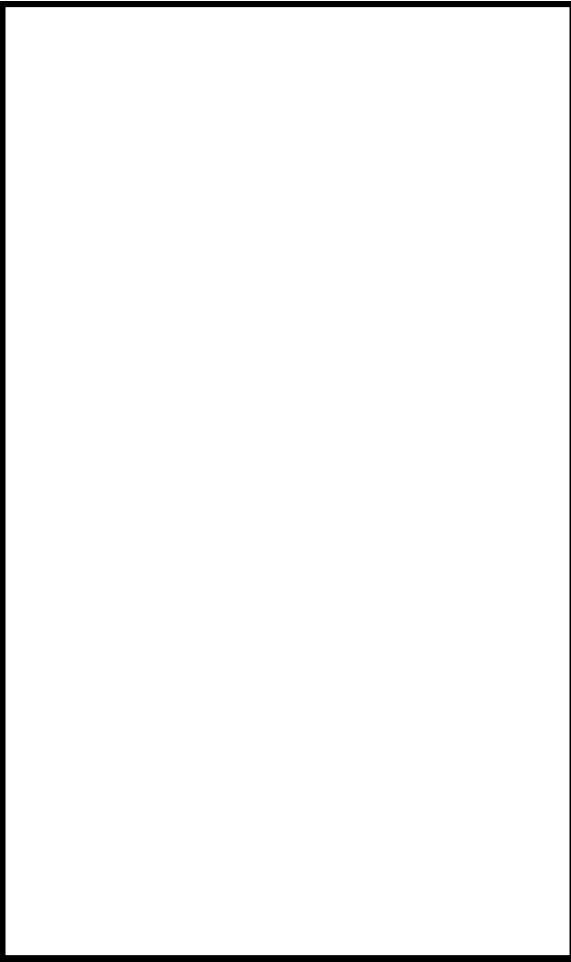
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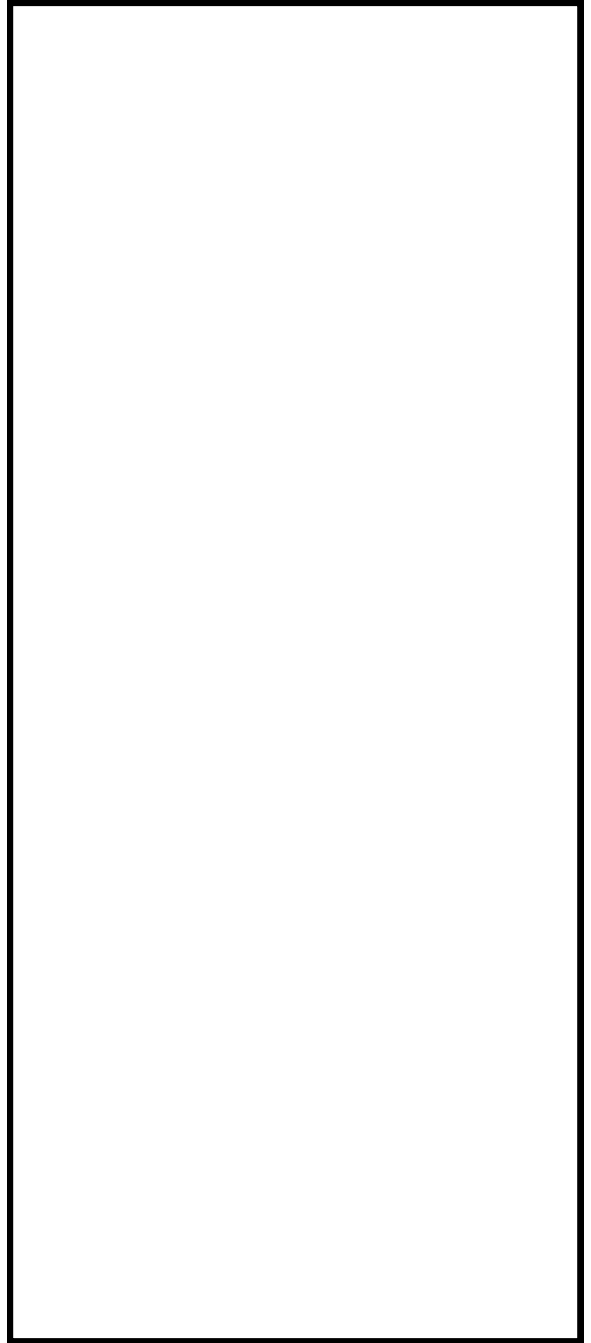
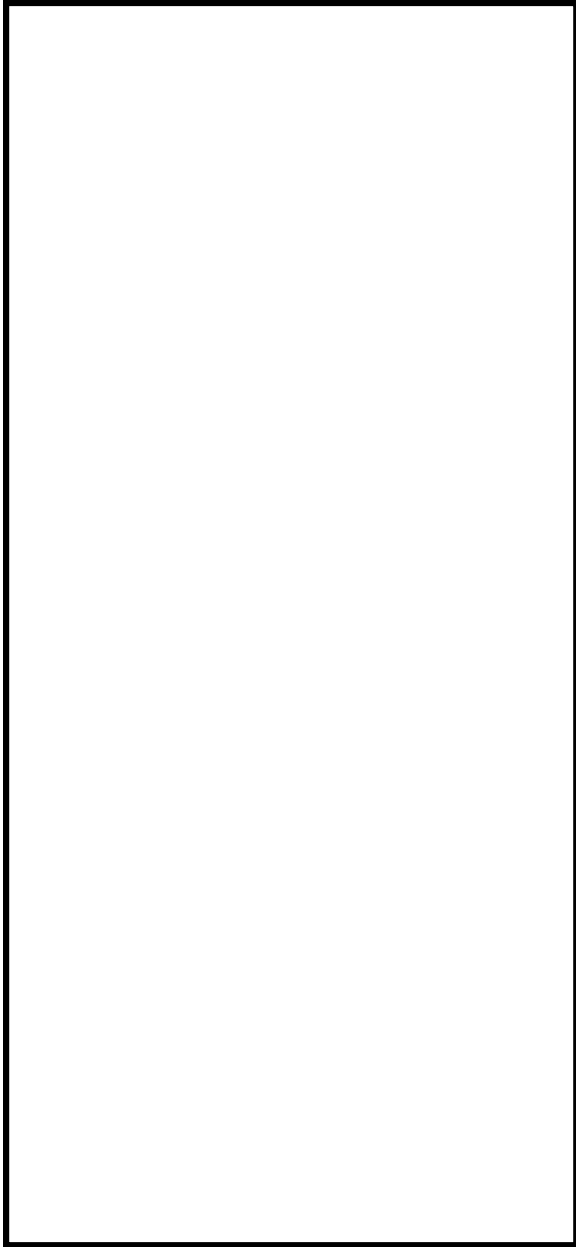
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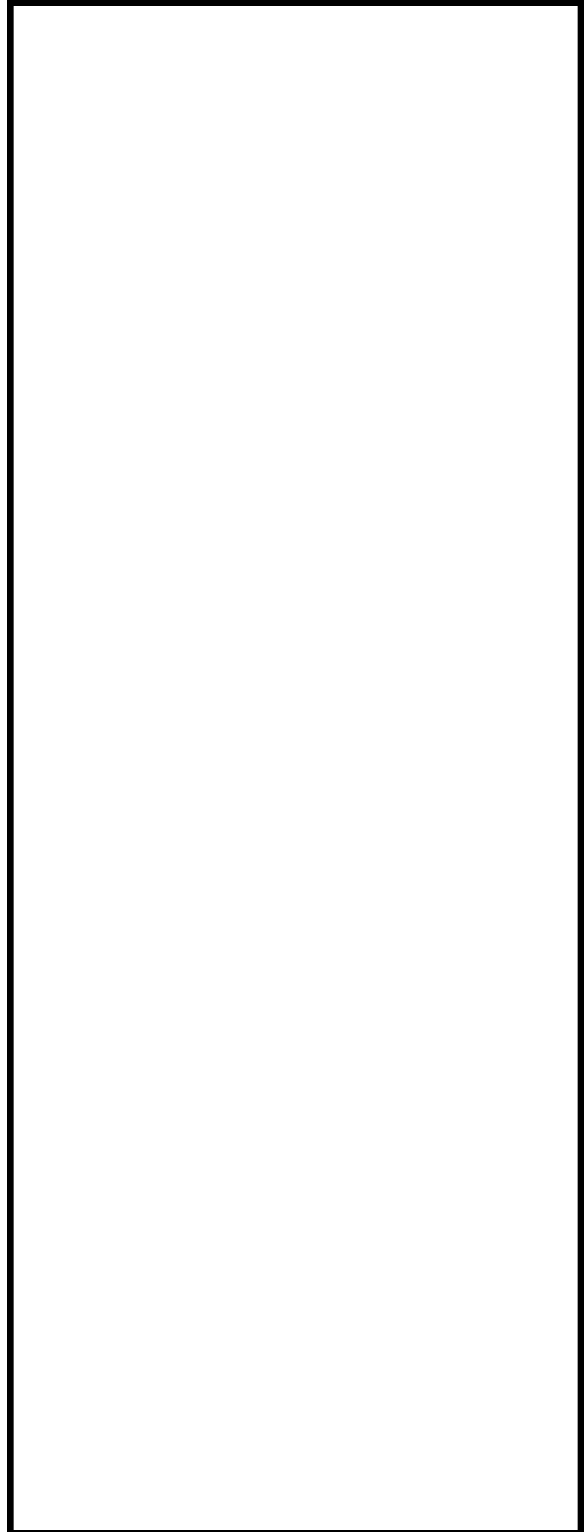
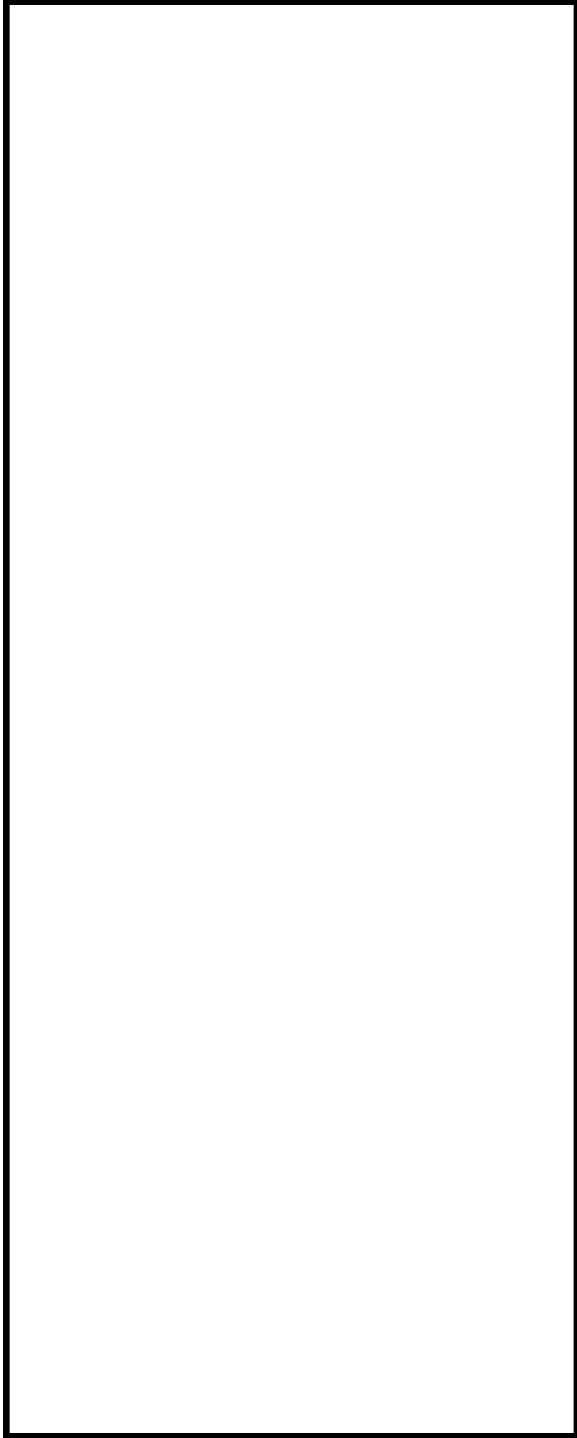
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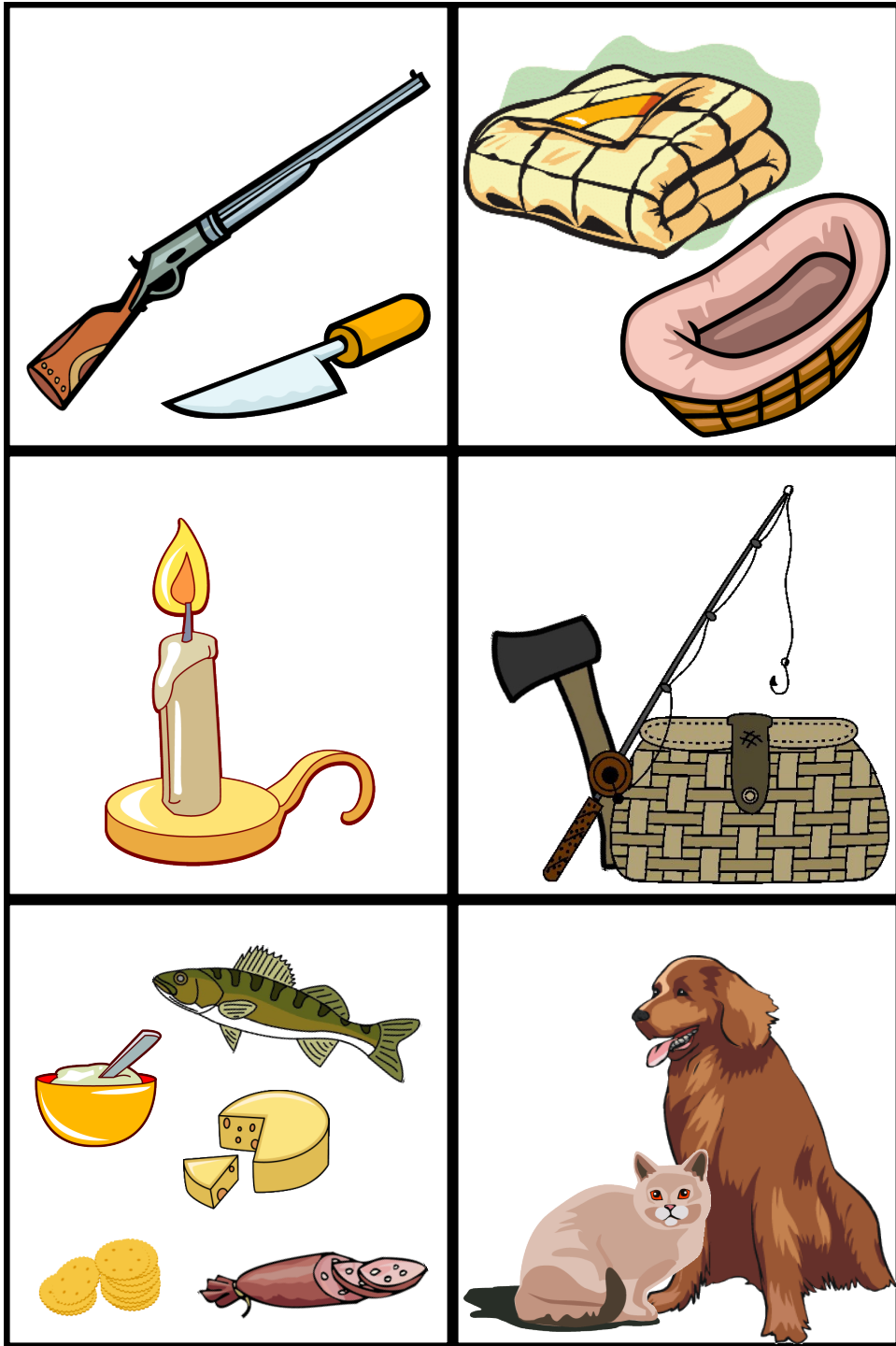
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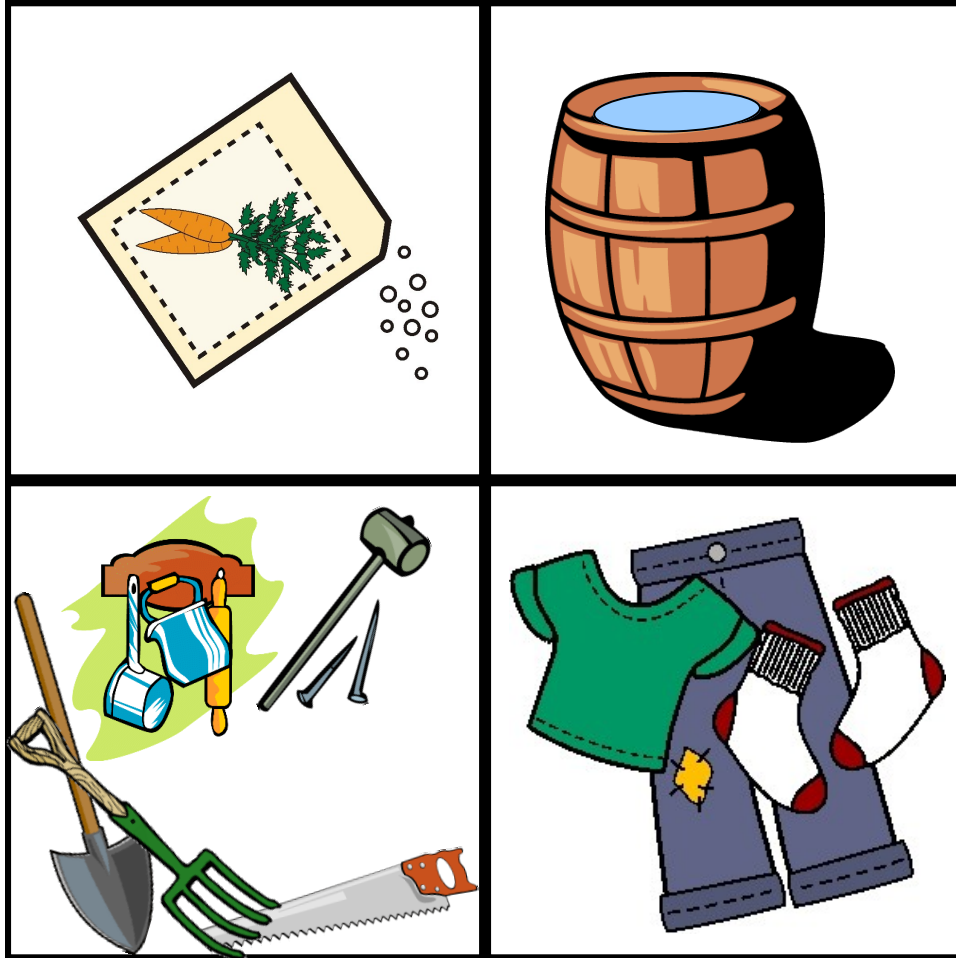












The Mayflower Compact

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Page 1

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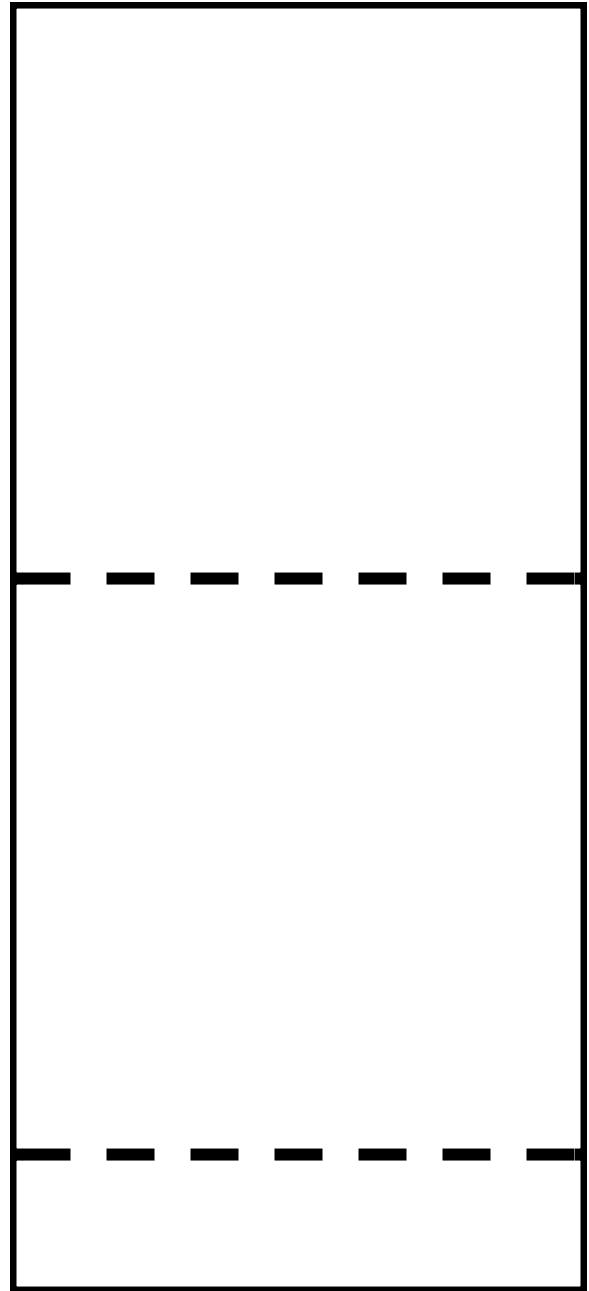
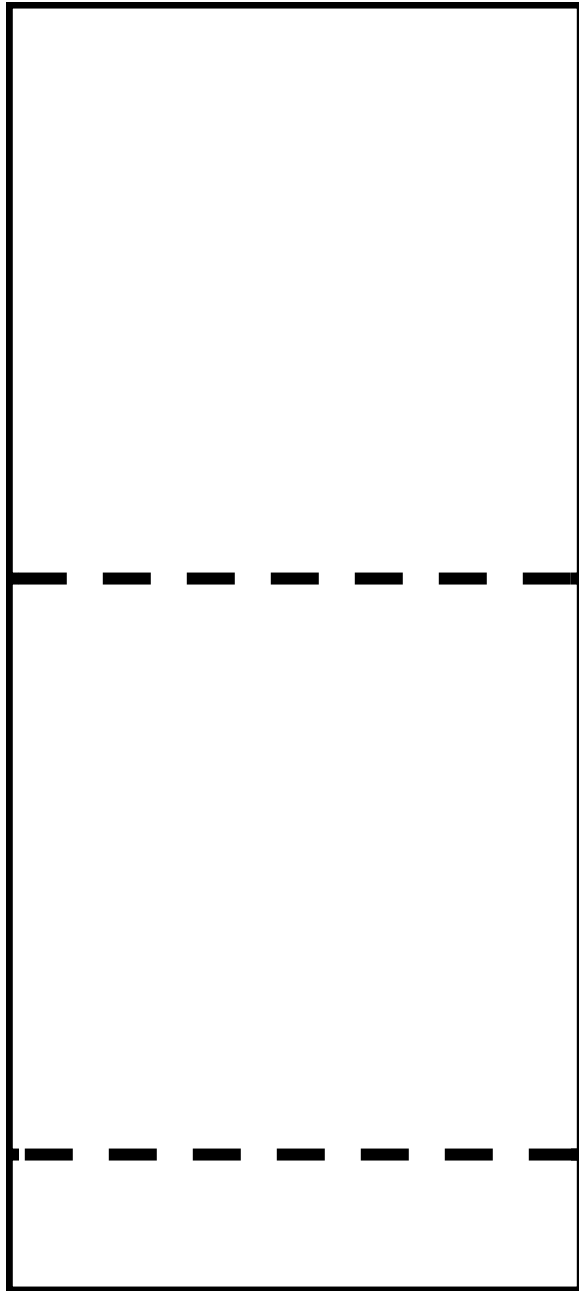
Cut the picture of the Mayflower Compact being signed (on page 24) and glue it here.

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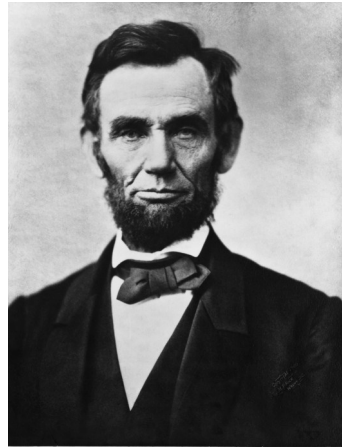
The Mayflower Compact

*"In the name of God, Amen. We, whose names are
underwritten, the Loyal Subjects of our dread Sovereign Lord,
King James, by the Grace of God, of England, France and
Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. Having undertaken for
the Glory of God, and Advancement of the Christian Faith, and
the Honour of our King and Country, a voyage to plant the first
colony in the northern parts of Virginia; do by these presents,
solemnly and mutually in the Presence of God and one of another,
covenant and combine ourselves together into a civil Body Politick
for our better Ordering and Preservation, and Furtherance of the
Ends aforesaid; And by Virtue hereof to enact, constitute, and
frame, such just and equal Laws, Ordinances, Acts, Constitutions
and Offices, from time to time, as shall be thought most meet and
convenient for the General good of the Colony; unto which we
promise all due submission and obedience. In Witness whereof we
have hereunto subscribed our names at Cape Cod the eleventh of
November, in the Reign of our Sovereign Lord, King James of
England, France and Ireland, the eighteenth, and of Scotland the
fifty-fourth. Anno Domini, 1620. "*



Title Bar

Who Can We Thank?



In 1863
Abraham Lincoln
declares Thanksgiving
a holiday.



In 1840
Sarah Hale begins
writing and talking
about the need for a
Thanksgiving holiday.

Activity Page Pocket

Alphabet Word Search

Look at the word box below. Follow the instructions on the bottom of this page to complete the activity.

TRUST	PILGRIM
GIVING	RELIGION
TURKEY	PRAY
MAYFLOWER	SHIP
GOD	LINCOLN
INDIAN	PRAISE
FEAST	FAITH
THANKS	HALE

Draw a red line under every word that begins with the letter 'T'.

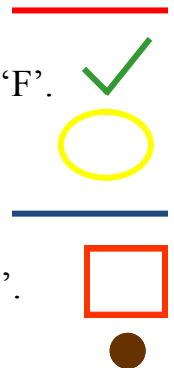
Draw a green check mark next to every word that begins with the letter 'F'.

Draw a yellow circle around every word that begins with the letter 'G'.

Draw a blue line through every word that begins with the letter 'P'.

Draw an orange square next to every word that begins with the letter 'H'.

Draw a brown dot after all the remaining words.

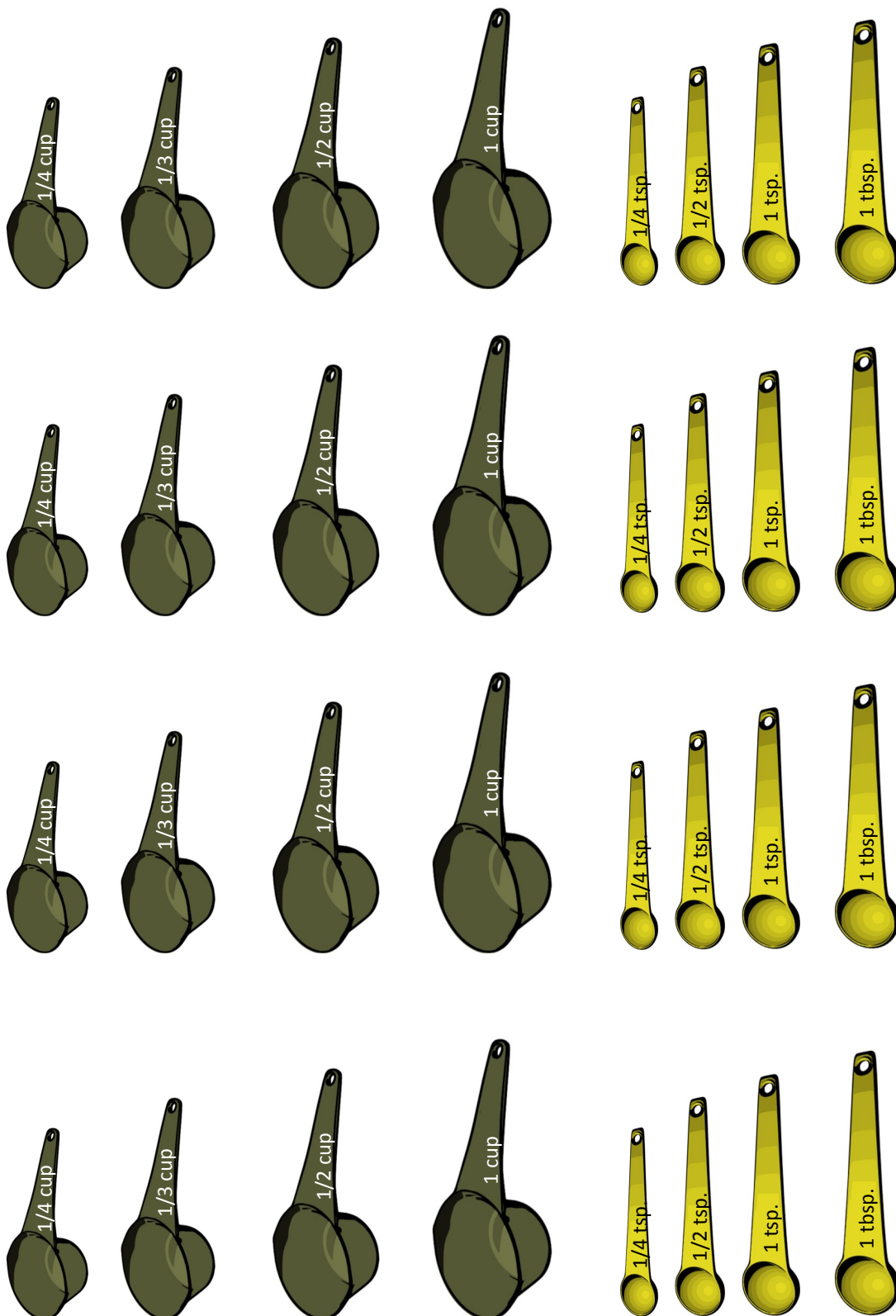


Measurement Math

Cut out the measuring cup(s) or spoon(s) from the next page. Using your favorite holiday cookie recipe, and show the amounts of each ingredient you will need to complete the recipe by gluing the correct number of spoons in the space under each ingredient.

butter	sugar	baking soda
		baking powder
vanilla	flour	
		salt

Measurement Math



Hidden Word Puzzle

Circle the words in the puzzle given on the list word below.

H	O	X	T	U	R	K	E	Y	P	L
A	R	H	H	W	I	Y	M	Y	S	B
L	Z	F	A	I	T	H	K	R	G	C
E	L	L	N	O	N	A	L	N	O	C
Q	P	I	K	H	C	R	I	V	D	O
T	R	U	S	T	P	V	N	G	D	R
M	A	L	J	A	I	E	C	A	O	N
A	I	C	V	G	U	S	O	J	P	U
Y	S	Y	R	S	L	T	L	N	I	C
F	E	A	S	T	P	S	N	O	L	O
L	K	H	H	T	R	W	N	B	G	P
O	P	J	I	U	F	H	D	T	R	I
W	A	Y	P	I	L	G	I	H	I	A
E	H	A	L	U	P	R	A	Y	M	Y
R	E	L	I	G	I	O	N	D	I	B

Hidden Word List:

TRUST

TURKEY

GOD

INDIAN

FEAST

THANKS

PILGRIM

PRAY

LINCOLN

PRAISE

FAITH

HALE

GIVING

MAYFLOWER

RELIGION

HARVEST

SHIP

CORNUCOPIA

Quiz

Parents, if your younger children are struggling with this quiz, allow them to use the folder alongside taking the quiz.

1. What year did the *Mayflower* sail to America?

2. What was the name of the second ship that was suppose to travel with the *Mayflower*? (circle one)

a. *Rockport*

b. *Seawell*

c. *Speedship*

d. *Speedwell*

3. President Lincoln declared Thanksgiving Day a national holiday in what year? _____

4. List two food items eaten at that first feast that we don't generally eat today as part of our Thanksgiving meals.

5. How many passengers died during the *Mayflower's* journey to America? _____

How many were born? _____

Quiz Page 2

6. The passengers of the *Mayflower* were able to bring everything they owned along with them to the New World? (circle one)

True

False

7. Did the *Mayflower* make land where it was originally scheduled to? _____

If not, where did it land? _____

8. Sarah _____ began writing about the need for a national Thanksgiving Day celebration in 1840.

9. All of the passengers that planned to sail to the New World were able to make that first voyage. (circle one)

True

False

10. Why did the Puritan Separatists leave England? (circle one)

a. Freedom of Speech

b. The Right to Bare Arms

c. Freedom of Religious

d. The Right to Trial by Jury

Quiz Answer Key

1. 1620

2. *Speedwell*

3. 1863

4. Lobster, Fish, Venison, Wild turkey, Indian Corn

5. One, One

6. False

7. No, Provincetown, MA

8. Hale

9. False

10. Freedom of Religion

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Study Guide for Parents/Students:

The year was 1620 and some members of the Puritan movement decided to make the treacherous journey from England to the New World. These brave people, later called Separatists for their separation from the Church of England, were in search of religious freedom. Much like people around the world today, the Puritans felt they were being forced to practice their religion by a set of rules they were not comfortable with.

Planning for this voyage included preparation of two ships (the *Mayflower* and the *Speedwell*), hiring a crew of men to help them on their travels and condensing their possessions to only a few items that would prove beneficial in helping them start a new life in America. Sadly, after more than a month's delay in their trip, it was decided that the *Speedwell*, unable to be made seaworthy, would not be making the trip. Only some of the passengers planning to travel over on the *Speedwell* were able to make that first voyage. These passengers and their belongings were transferred to the *Mayflower* and the remaining passengers had to be left behind. This brought the passenger count on the *Mayflower* to 102. This included the crew, the Puritan Separatists and their children as well as some slaves. Most of the crew that had been hired did not seek the same religious freedoms and were given the name "Strangers" by the Puritans. Living quarters were very limited and food became scarce by the end of the journey. God was faithful to these Pilgrims as they struggled to find their way across the ocean. Although there were many that died the first year after arriving in America, only one passenger on the *Mayflower* passed away before they reached land. While three of the women that boarded the *Mayflower* were with child, only one of them delivered while still at sea.

It is suggested that strong winds and currents pushed the *Mayflower* off of its original course causing the ship to make landfall in an area of the New World that had not yet been settled. Since the ship did not complete the journey to Virginia; where governing regulations were already in place, a document had to be drawn up to keep the group together and ensure fairness among them. This document was called The Mayflower Compact and was signed on November 11, 1620 in Provincetown, MA. by 41 male passengers on the ship.

The alternate route and unexpected change of destination made for a very difficult winter for the Pilgrims and those members of the crew that remained behind to help with settlement. More of the group died as a result of the hard winter, but God answered their prayers by way of the Indians that were already thriving in the area. The Indians helped these new settlers and by the next year's harvest they had thriving crops and were adjusting to this strange new land quite well.

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Study Guide for Parents/Students:

In response to the amazing harvest that God had provided, the Pilgrims hosted a feast and invited their new friends, the Indians, to celebrate with them. This feast was much different than the Thanksgiving we are familiar with today. There were very few fruits and vegetables and those that were available were cooked with methods that do not resemble those we use today. The location near the ocean very likely provided this first feast with fish and lobster. Along with the wild turkey and small animals the men of the colony hunted, the Indians brought a gift of deer meat called venison to the meal.

This yearly feast was not given the name of Thanksgiving until some three years later. Although our first President, George Washington, named November 26 as a national day of thanksgiving in 1789, it was more than 50 years after this that talk of making this feast a celebration throughout the country began. We can attribute this to Sarah Hale, an author who wrote about the need to make a national Thanksgiving Day holiday in several publications over the next few years. Finally, in 1863, President Abraham Lincoln did just that by declaring Thanksgiving a national holiday.