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Smart Activities



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Turkey Hokey Pokey

Materials: internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/VxfajHBG9Rg>

Preparation: Preview video.

Instructions:

1. Watch the video with your child.
2. Follow the directions and move along with the turkey.
3. Have fun giggling and being silly together.



Five Silly Turkeys

by Salina Yoon

Materials: internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/d66HiarxpnA>

Preparation: Preview video.

Instructions:

1. Listen to the read aloud story with your child.
2. Ask questions, ex: "What happened to the turkeys?" "What color are the turkeys?" "How many turkeys were there?"



Turkey Colored Feathers

Materials: colored dot stickers, Turkey Tail Color Template, crayons, scissors, tape

Preparation: Cut out template. Color feathers to match colored dot stickers. Color the turkey's body brown. Tape the turkey on the wall.

Instructions:

1. Say, "I want you to match your dot stickers to the feathers on the turkey." Demonstrate.
2. As your child is working on adding dots, encourage him/her to say the color.
3. Count the dots with your child when he/she is finished.



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Fork Turkey Painting

Materials: fork (real or plastic), paper plate, paint (orange, yellow, red), Turkey Head Template, brown crayon

Preparation: Print template and cut out the turkey's head.

Instructions:

1. Show your child the fork, plate, and paint.
2. Squirt a little of each color on the plate and encourage your child to use the back of the fork to mash and paint the plate.
3. Talk about the colors, what a turkey sounds like, and family gatherings.
4. Have your child color the turkey's head. Add eyes - draw in or glue on some.
5. Once the plate is dry, glue on the turkey head.



The Turkey Who Forgot How to Gobble

by Alexis H. Purcell

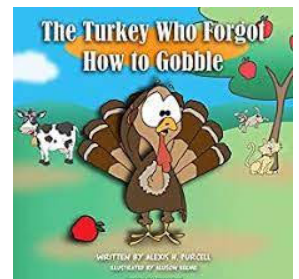
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Preparation: Preview video.

Instructions:

1. Listen to the read aloud story with your child.
2. Ask questions, ex: "What fell on the Joey's head?" "Who tried teaching Joey how to gobble?"



Feed the Turkey

Materials: construction paper, scissors, glue, plastic jar, googly eyes, tongs, pom-poms, container (save for Day 4)

Preparation: Cut out 3 feathers for the turkey and glue them onto the jar along with eyes.

Place pom-poms in the container.

Instructions:

1. Show your child the container and the turkey.
2. Encourage him/her to use the tongs to pick up the pom-poms and place inside the turkey jar.



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Thanksgiving & Autumn Songs for Kids

Materials: Yummy Food Template (save for another activity today), scissors, internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/IvMKKlvZPWA>

Preparation: Preview video. Print template and cut out food.

Instructions:

1. Show your child the different food items and identify each of them.
2. Watch the video together.
3. Encourage your child to sing, dance, and pick up the food item as it is named in the song.



The Little Kids' Table

by Mary Ann McCabe Riehle

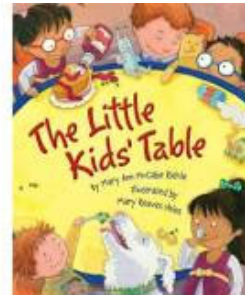
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<https://youtu.be/rQkMAKFTDWY>

Preparation: Preview video.

Instructions:

1. Listen to the read aloud story with your child.
2. Ask questions, ex: "Why does he like to go to his grandmother's house?" "What table does he sit?" "Who crashes the table?" "What table had the most fun?"



Yummy Feast

Materials: Yummy Food Template items used with the song, paper plate, glue stick

Preparation: Gather materials.

Instructions:

1. Show your child the food pictures and identify them together.
2. Next, have him/her glue them on a plate for a Yummy Feast.



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Thanksgiving Story for Kids

Materials: internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/VvzMp5WUjls>

Preparation: Preview video.

Instructions:

1. Watch the video with your child.
2. Point out the ship, Pilgrims, Native Americans, and food. Sign the word "eat" when the word is said throughout the video.
3. Talk about what you are thankful for, ex: family, food, and shelter.



The Best Thanksgiving Ever

by Teddy Slater

Materials: internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/Fbidh3cMn70>

Preparation: Preview video.

Instructions:

1. Listen to the read aloud story with your child.
2. Ask questions, ex: "Who is hosting Thanksgiving Dinner?" "What do the turkeys give thanks for before dinner?" "What are all of the turkeys thankful for?"



Color Feeding the Turkey

Materials: construction paper, scissors, glue, plastic jar, googly eyes, tongs, pom-poms, container

Preparation: Cut out 3 feathers for the turkey and glue onto the jar along with eyes. Place the pom-poms in container.

Instructions:

1. Show your child the container and turkey again. Say, "I am going to tell you which color to pick up this time."
2. When your child picks up the correct color, have him/her shout out the color and gobble like a turkey.



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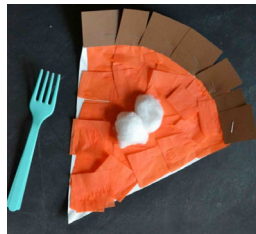
Slice of Pumpkin Pie

Materials: 1 paper plate, orange and brown tissue paper, scissors, glue

Preparation: Cut a triangle shape out of a paper plate. Cut large squares of orange and small squares from the brown tissue paper.

Instructions:

1. Say, "Let's make pumpkin pie."
2. Give your child some pieces of the orange tissue paper. Encourage him/her to tear it into smaller pieces.
3. Then, have your child glue on the orange tissue paper and add the brown pieces for the crust.



Happy Thanksgiving, Curious George

by H.A. Rey

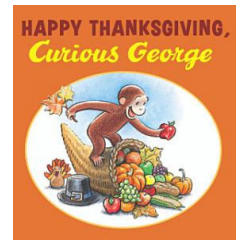
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Instructions:

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2. Ask questions, ex: "What does George smell?" "What did George see at the parade?" "What tasty treats did they make for the feast?" "What is George thankful for?"



Looping Noodles

Materials: playdough, spaghetti noodles, cereal shaped like an "o," bowl

Preparation: Arrange spaghetti noodles standing up in the playdough.

Instructions:

1. Show your child the cereal and say, "I want you to take one piece of cereal and place it onto the noodle." If you use colored cereal, then set it up with one noodle for each color.
2. Encourage your child to fill up each piece of noodle but be gentle.



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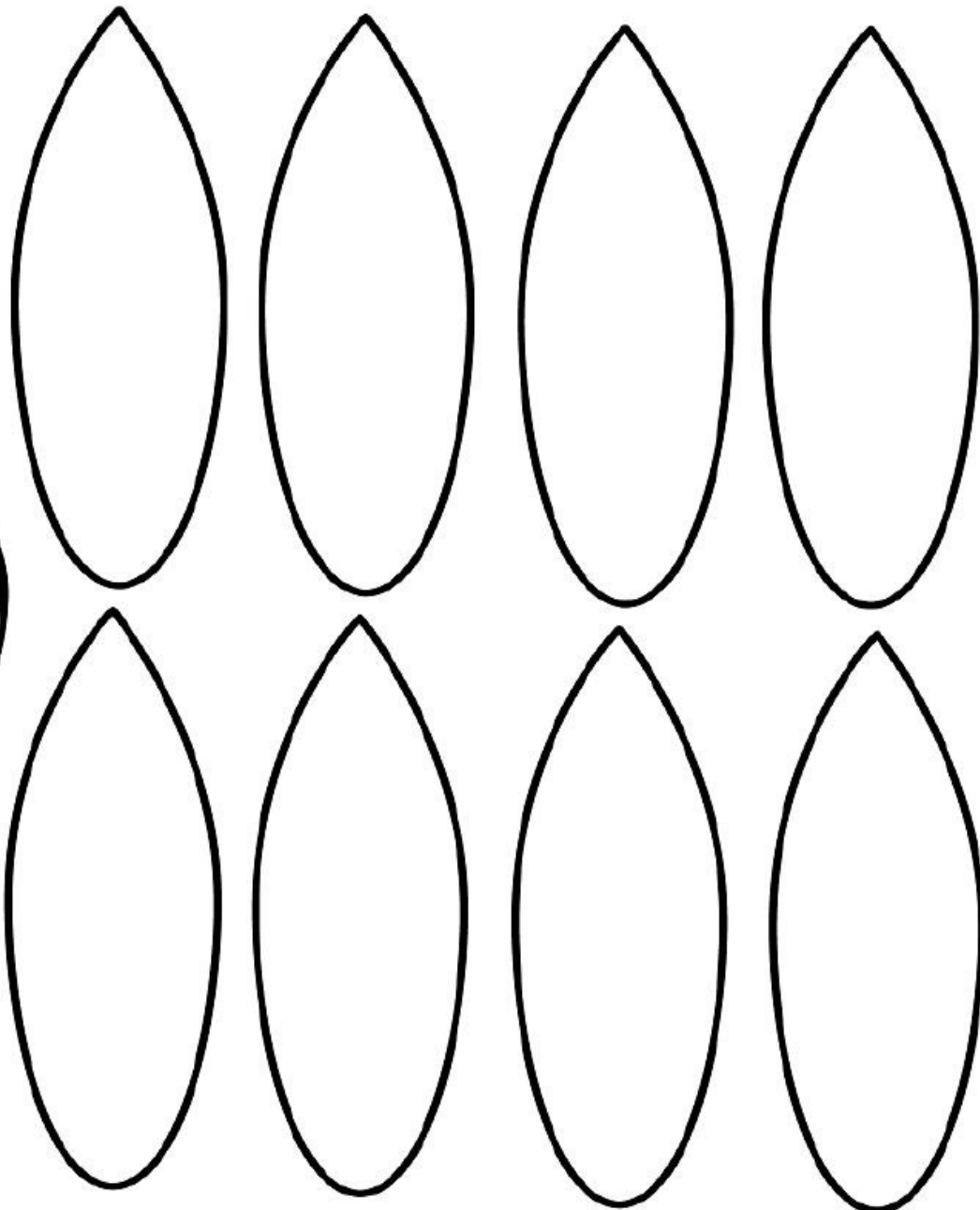
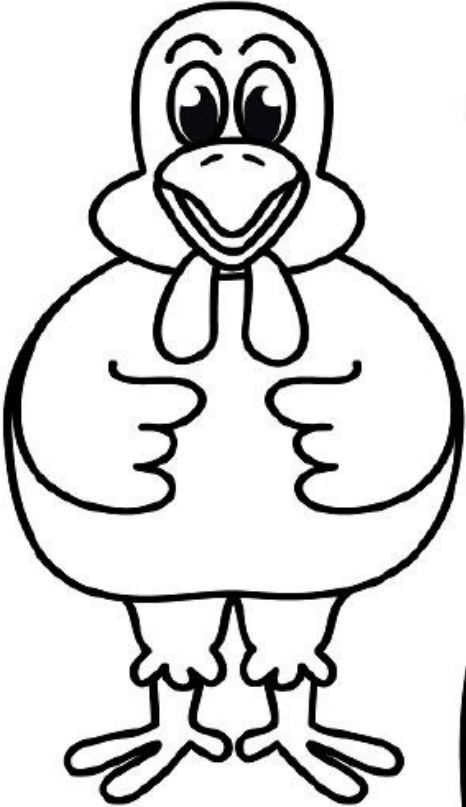
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Turkey Tail Color Template



Turkey Head Template



Yummy Food Template

