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## The Pilgrims and Thanksgiving

### The Pilgrims



1. Who celebrated the first "American Thanksgiving"?
2. Where were the Pilgrims originally from?
3. Who was their king?
4. What happened to people who refused to join the Church of England?
5. Why did the Pilgrims leave their country?
6. Where did they first go?
7. Why do you think the Pilgrims were called "Separatists"?
8. Why did the Pilgrims leave Holland?

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9. What were their plans when they left Holland?

10. What is a *pilgrim*?

11. What was the name of the ship the Separatist-Pilgrims sailed on?

12. Were they the only passengers? \_\_\_\_\_ Explain.

13. What did the Separatists call the other travelers?

14. Why did these others want to go to America?

15. When we talk about the "Pilgrims" today, whom do we mean?

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### **Plymouth Colony, the Mayflower Compact and the First Thanksgiving**

1. How long did it take the Mayflower to make the trip to America?

Did the Pilgrims come ashore where they had planned?



2. Why do you think the Pilgrims wanted to settle close to the colony at Jamestown?
3. Why weren't they able to do this?
4. What was the Mayflower Compact?
5. What did the Pilgrims call their settlement?

Where did they live during their first winter?

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6. What fraction of the Pilgrims was still alive at the end of their first winter in America?

How did the others die?

7. How did the Wampanoag help the Pilgrims?

8. What did the Pilgrims do after they gathered their first harvest?

What did they have to be thankful for?

9. Who attended the first Thanksgiving celebration at Plymouth Colony?

How long did it last?

10. Why do we still celebrate Thanksgiving?

11. How does your family spend Thanksgiving Day?