

The First Thanksgiving

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The Thanksgiving Story

Most stories of Thanksgiving history start with the harvest _____ Noun _____ of the _____ Noun - Plural _____ and the Native Americans that took place in the autumn of 1621. Although they did have a three-day feast in celebration of a _____ Adjective _____ harvest, and the _____ Adjective _____ natives did participate, this "first thanksgiving" was not a holiday, simply a gathering. There is _____ Adjective _____ evidence that this feast _____ Preposition _____ thanks led directly to our modern Thanksgiving Day holiday. Thanksgiving can, however, be traced back to 1863 when Pres. _____ Full Name of a Person _____ became the first president to _____ Verb - Base Form _____ Thanksgiving Day. The holiday has been a fixture of late November ever since.

However, since most _____ Adjective _____ Noun - Plural _____ are _____ Verb - Past Tense _____ that the first Thanksgiving was held in 1621 with the Pilgrims and Indians, let us take a closer look at just what took place leading up to that event, and then what happened in the centuries afterward that finally gave us our _____ Adjective _____ Thanksgiving

The Pilgrims who sailed to this country aboard the Mayflower were originally members of the _____ Adjective _____ _____ Adjective _____ Noun _____ (a Puritan sect). They had earlier _____ Verb - Past Tense _____ their home in England and sailed to Holland (The Netherlands) to escape religious persecution. There, they enjoyed more religious _____ Proper Noun _____, but they eventually became disenchanted with the Dutch way of _____ Noun _____, thinking it ungodly.

Seeking a _____ Adjective _____ life, the Separatists negotiated with a London stock company to _____ Verb - Base _____ Form _____ a pilgrimage to America. Most of those making the trip _____ Preposition _____ the Mayflower were non-Separatists, but were hired to protect the company's _____ Noun - Plural _____. Only about one-third of the original _____ Noun - Plural _____ were Separatists.

The Pilgrims set ground _____ Preposition _____ Plymouth Rock on December 11, 1620. Their first winter was _____ present participle _____. At the beginning of the following fall, they had lost _____ Number _____ of the original 102 who sailed on the Mayflower. But the _____ Noun _____ of 1621 was a bountiful one. And the _____ present _____ participle _____ colonists decided to celebrate with a _____ Noun _____ - including 91 natives who had _____ Verb - _____ Past Tense _____ the Pilgrims survive their first year. It is _____ Verb - Past Tense _____ that the Pilgrims would not have made it through the year without the help of the natives. The _____ Noun _____ was more of a traditional English harvest festival than a true "thanksgiving" observance. It lasted _____ Number _____ days.