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Thanksgiving Trivia

questions 1–16 • circle A, B or C

1 What year is the first Thanksgiving traditionally dated to?

A 1492
B 1621
C 1776

2 Which Native nation shared the 1621 harvest feast with the Pilgrims?

A Wampanoag
B Cherokee
C Lakota

3 Who was the Wampanoag leader at the 1621 feast?

A Pocahontas
B Sitting Bull
C Massasoit

4 What was the name of the Pilgrims' ship?

A Mayflower
B Santa Maria
C Endeavour

5 The Pilgrims settled in what is now which US state?

A Virginia
B Massachusetts
C Maine

6 Which president proclaimed a national Thanksgiving Day in 1863?

A George Washington
B Thomas Jefferson
C Abraham Lincoln

7 Which writer campaigned for 17 years to make Thanksgiving a national holiday?

A Sarah Josepha Hale
B Louisa May Alcott
C Emily Dickinson

8 US Thanksgiving is always held on the...

A last Friday of November
B fourth Thursday of November
C first Monday of November

9 Which president signed the 1941 law fixing the fourth-Thursday date?

A Franklin D. Roosevelt
B Harry Truman
C Herbert Hoover

10 In what year was the first Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade?

A 1901
B 1924
C 1955

11 When does Canada celebrate Thanksgiving?

A Second Monday of October
B Fourth Thursday of November
C First Sunday of September

12 What is a male turkey called?

A A buck
B A tom
C A drake

13 What is a baby turkey called?

A A poult
B A cygnet
C A kit

14 What is the fleshy flap that hangs over a turkey's beak?

A The comb
B The wattle
C The snood

15 Can wild turkeys fly?

A Yes
B No
C Only when they're babies

16 Which US state raises the most turkeys?

A Texas
B Minnesota
C Florida

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questions 17–30, answer key & score sheet

17 **Cranberries are harvested from...**

A bogs
B tall trees
C desert vines

18 **Botanically speaking, a pumpkin is a...**

A vegetable
B fruit
C nut

19 **Which two NFL teams traditionally host Thanksgiving Day games?**

A Bears & Packers
B Jets & Giants
C Lions & Cowboys

20 **What is the proper name for a turkey's wishbone?**

A Furcula
B Femur
C Patella

21 **Which president made the turkey pardon an official yearly event in 1989?**

A Ronald Reagan
B George H. W. Bush
C Bill Clinton

22 **How long does a frozen turkey take to thaw in the fridge?**

A About 1 hour per pound
B About 1 day per 4–5 pounds
C Always exactly 1 day

23 **What is the day after US Thanksgiving nicknamed?**

A Black Friday
B Cyber Monday
C Giving Tuesday

24 **Giant character balloons first flew in the Macy's parade in...**

A 1927
B 1960
C 1985

25 **Which Plymouth governor wrote 'Of Plymouth Plantation'?**

A John Smith
B William Bradford
C Myles Standish

26 **About how many days did the 1621 harvest celebration last?**

A One
B Three
C Seven

27 **Which Patuxet man helped the Pilgrims plant corn and spoke English?**

A Squanto (Tisquantum)
B Samoset
C Metacomet

28 **Which country marks Labour Thanksgiving Day on 23 November?**

A Brazil
B France
C Japan

29 **Sweet potato casserole is often topped with...**

A marshmallows
B cheddar
C anchovies

30 **Pumpkin pie is traditionally flavoured with which spice blend?**

A Curry spices
B Pumpkin spice (cinnamon, ginger, nutmeg, cloves)
C Za'atar

Answer key

1. B	11. A	21. B
2. A	12. B	22. B
3. C	13. A	23. A
4. A	14. C	24. A
5. B	15. A	25. B
6. C	16. B	26. B

Score sheet