# A Harvest of Economic Activities 2018



#### No Extra Room on the Mayflower (K-2)

Concepts: scarcity

https://www.econedlink.org/resources/no-extra-room-on-the-mayflower/

The Mayflower was This Big is a great tie in to the EconEdLink Lesson above.

http://www.teach-nology.com/teachers/lesson\_plans/holidays/thanks/k2mayflower.html

#### Putting Turkey on a Table (or a graph) (K-4)

Concepts: production, consumption

http://www.educationworld.com/a\_lesson/02/lp286-02.shtml

#### **Packing the Pilgrims' Trunk (elementary)**

Concepts: scarcity, choice, opportunity cost

http://www.readwritethink.org/classroom-resources/lesson-plans/packing-pilgrim-trunk-

personalizing-400.html?tab=3#resources

#### Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade (3-8)

Book Bonus: Balloons over Broadway by Melissa Sweet

Concepts: human capital, producer, production, technology innovation, consumers

http://www.time.com/time/nation/article/0,8599,1862565,00.html http://fortune.com/2017/11/22/macys-thanksgiving-day-parade-2017/

#### The Mayflower Compact: Would You Sign? (5-8)

Concepts: scarcity, choice

http://www.education.com/activity/article/mayflower\_compact/

#### **Let's Talk Turkey: The Cost of Thanksgiving Dinner (9-12)**

Concepts: costs

https://www.econedlink.org/resources/lets-talk-turkey-the-cost-of-thanksgiving-dinner/

http://www.fb.org/index.php?action=newsroom.home

https://www.fb.org/newsroom/farm-bureau-survey-reveals-lowest-thanksgiving-dinner-cost-in-

five-years

https://www.arfb.com/news/2017/nov/15/survey-thanksgiving-feast-cost-down-slightly/

#### Gobble, Gobble! (6-12)

Concepts: consumer, choice, demand

How the Thanksgiving Plate Varies across the United States

#### Feasting on a Budget Infographic

Concepts: budget, choice, opportunity cost

 $\underline{http://visualeconomics.creditloan.com/feasting-on-a-budget-how-americans-will-trim-the-fat-budget-how-americans-will-trim-the-budget-how-americans-will-trim-the-budget-how-americans-will-trim-the-budget-how-am$ 

this-thanksgiving/

#### The Best Time to Book a Thanksgiving Flight: The Economics of Travel

Concepts: consumer, demand, prices, market, industry

https://www.skyscanner.com/tips-and-inspiration/skyscanner-unveils-best-time-book-

thanksgiving-flights

#### 10 Interesting Thanksgiving Facts (K-12)

Check out Fact 2 for your economic connection.

http://www.todayifoundout.com/index.php/2010/11/10-interesting-thanksgiving-facts/

#### Thanksgiving by the Numbers (5-12)

Concepts: consumption

https://www.census.gov/newsroom/facts-for-features/2017/thanksgiving.html

https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/thanksgiving-2017-by-the-numbers

#### Brown Thursday, Black Friday and Cyber Monday

Concepts: consumer, incentives

https://www.thebalance.com/what-is-black-friday-3305710

https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2017/11/black-friday-in-numbers/

https://www.digitaltrends.com/dtdeals/cyber-monday-deals/

#### John Stossel: The Lost Lesson of Thanksgiving

Concepts: property rights, Tragedy of the Commons

http://www.foxnews.com/opinion/2010/11/24/john-stossel-lost-lesson-thanksgiving/

#### **Additional Resources**

#### **Investigating the First Thanksgiving: You are the Historian**

Great interdisciplinary and Common Core connections.

https://www.plimoth.org/learn/just-kids/thanksgiving-interactive-you-are-historian

#### Teacher's Guide Primary Source Set: Thanksgiving

From the Library of Congress

http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/primarysourcesets/thanksgiving/pdf/teacher\_guide.pdf

#### **Education World: Happy Thanksgiving: Lesson Plans and Activities**

http://www.educationworld.com/holidays/archives/thanksgiving.shtml

## Scholastic's everything for Thanksgiving Site

Lots of resources for Thanksgiving learning. http://www.scholastic.com/scholastic\_thanksgiving/resources/

# **Thanksgiving Videos from the History Channel Cross curricular Connections**

http://www.history.com/topics/thanksgiving

## **Glossary of Economic Terms**

http://www.stlouisfed.org/education\_resources/glossary/ http://www.econedlink.org/economic-resources/glossary.php



Want more resources?
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