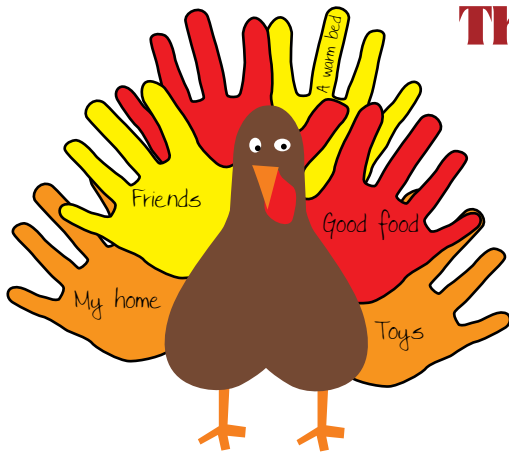


Thankful Turkey



Thanksgiving Prayer:

Thank you lord
For each new morning with its light,
For rest and shelter of the night,
For health and food,
For love and friends,
For everything Thy goodness sends.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

Estimated Time: 30 minutes

Age Level: 5-12

Objective:

Children will Make a turkey by tracing their hands and feet and then write on the fingers or hands what they are thankful for.

Material List:

- Pencil
- Red, brown, orange yellow and white construction paper
- Scissors
- Glue
- Markers

Adult Preparation:

Get materials ready. Think about what you are thankful for. Make turkey example. Have a thanksgiving prayer ready.

Introduction:

For motivation talk about thanksgiving. Ask the children what they are thankful for. Give your own examples of what you are thankful for. Next ask them about turkeys. What do they look like. Maybe show them some real turkey pictures. Hold up your turkey example and show them how you made your turkey. Make sure children are paying attention by watching what you are doing. Ask questions to see if children understand.

INSTRUCTIONS:

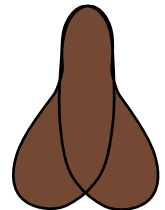
1) Trace with a pencil around both of your feet using brown construction paper and cut them out. These two pieces will be the turkey's body.



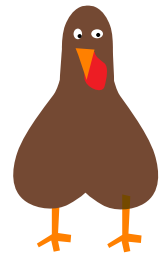
2) Trace around your hands six times using red, orange, and yellow construction paper. These six pieces will be the turkey's feathers.



3) Glue the two footprints together to make the turkey's body, with the heels for the head.



4) Cut out an orange beak and a roundish wattle. Draw and cut eyes out on white paper. Glue the wattle, beak, and eyes to the turkey's head. Make two legs from paper and glue them to the back of the body.(You can also use popsicle sticks for legs)



5) Glue your handprints to the back of the turkeys body for the feathers. Then write on some of the fingers or part of the hands that are visible, what you are thankful for. Now decorate your house with these fun Thanksgiving turkeys.

