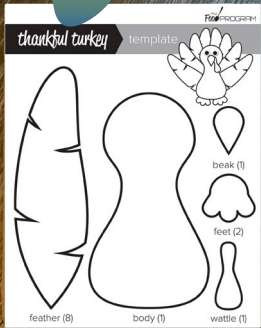


THANKFUL TURKEY



Materials

Thankful Turkey Template

[Download Here](#)

Cardboard (inside of cereal or cracker boxes work well)

Construction Paper (red, orange, yellow, and green)

Goggles Eyes

Black Marker

Scissors

Glue

Directions

1. Use the template to trace the turkey pieces and cut them out. Trace the body of the turkey onto cardboard and the remaining pieces out of various colors of construction paper.
2. Glue the feathers onto the back of the turkey body.
3. Glue on the wattle, beak and two feet.
4. Glue the two googly eyes onto the face of the turkey.
5. Have children write the names of people, objects or ideas that they are thankful for on the turkey's feathers using the black marker.

Hints and Extended Learning Opportunities

- For younger children, cut out template pieces beforehand so that the children can assemble the turkey with glue.
- For younger children, have them narrate the things that they are thankful for and write them on their turkey feathers, older children can write their own.
- Have a group conversation about what children are thankful for and the good things in their lives.
- As a group read *How to Catch a Turkey* by Adam Wallace and Andy Elkerton.
- Play "Turkey Tag". Use a wooden clothespin to attach a picture of a turkey to each child. Once the time starts, all children run and try to collect the turkeys from each other and pin them on themselves. At the end of the time, the child with the most turkeys pinned to them is the winner.
- Dance and move to [All You Turkeys Dance Around!](#) (A content-rich turkey song for kids!)