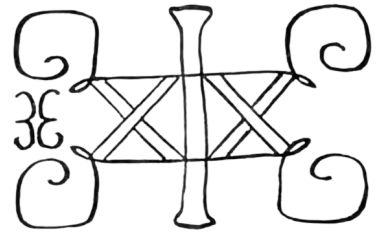


Harmful Resources



This is a small fraction of the harmful resources available. It is good practice to develop a critical eye for ALL resources.

Here are some resources on thinking critically: [Critical thinking resources.pdf](#)

Books

American Indian Festivals - Jay Miller
Big Eagle, Sister Sky - Susan Jeffers
Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee by Dee Brown
Indian in the Cupboard - Lynne Reid Banks
Island of the Blue Dolphins- Scott O'Dell
Little House on the Prairie- Laura Ingalls Wilder
Sign of the Beaver - Elizabeth George Speare
The Candy Corn Contest - Patricia Reilly Giff
The Education of Little Tree - Forrest Carter
The Land of Little Rain by Mary Austin
The Teachings of Don Juan: A Yaqui Way of Knowledge by Carlos Castaneda
The Vanishing American by Zane Grey
Touching Spirit Bear - Ben Mikealsen
Walk Two Moons - Sharon Creech

Oyate's list of NOT RECOMMENDED books about Thanksgiving

Accorsi, William. *Friendship's First Thanksgiving*. Holiday House, 1992.

Aliki. *Corn is Maize: The Gift of the Indians*. Harper & Row, 1976.

Anderson, Laurie Halse. *Thank You, Sarah: The Woman Who Saved Thanksgiving*. Simon & Schuster, 2002.

Ansary, Mir Tamim. *Thanksgiving Day*. Heinemann, 2002.

Apel, Melanie Ann. *The Pilgrims*. Kidhaven Press, 2003.

Bartlett, Robert Merrill, *The Story of Thanksgiving*. HarperCollins, 2001.

Barth, Edna. *Turkeys, Pilgrims, and Indian Corn: The Story of Thanksgiving Symbols*. Clarion, 1975.

Borden, Louise. *Thanksgiving Is...* Scholastic, 1997.

Brown, Marc. *Arthur's Thanksgiving*. Little, Brown. 1983.

Bruchac, Joseph. *Squanto's Journey: The Story of the First Thanksgiving*. Harcourt, 2000.

Buckley, Susan Washburn. Famous Americans: 15 Easy to Read Biography Mini-Books. Scholastic, 2000.

Bulla, Clyde Robert. Squanto, Friend of the Pilgrims. Scholastic, 1990.

Celsi, Teresa. Squanto and the First Thanksgiving. Steck-Vaughn, 1989.

Clements, Andrew. Look Who's in the Thanksgiving Play! Simon & Shuster, 1999.

Cohen, Barbara. Molly's Pilgrim. Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, 1983.

Conaway, Judith. Happy Thanksgiving! Things to Make and Do. Troll Communications, 1986.

Crane, Carol and Helle Urban. P is for Pilgrim: A Thanksgiving Alphabet. Sleeping Bear Press, 2003.

Dalgliesh, Alice. The Thanksgiving Story. Scholastic, 1954/1982.

Daugherty, James. The Landing of the Pilgrims. Random House, 1987.

Davis, Kenneth C. Don't Know Much About the Pilgrims. HarperCollins, 2002.

DePaola, Tomie. My First Thanksgiving. Putnam, 1992.

Donnelly, Judy. The Pilgrims and Me. Grosset & Dunlap, 2002.

Dubowski, Cathy East. The Story of Squanto, First Friend to the Pilgrims. Dell, 1990.

Fink, Deborah. It's a Family Thanksgiving! A Celebration of an American Tradition for Children and their Families. Harmony Hearth, 2000.

Flindt, Myron. Pilgrims: A Simulation of the First Year at Plymouth Colony. Interact, 1994.

Fritz, Jean. Who's That Stepping on Plymouth Rock? Putnam & Grossett, 1975.

George, Jean Craighead. The First Thanksgiving. Puffin. 1993.

Gibbons, Gail. Thanksgiving Day. Holiday House, 1985.

Gibbons, Gail. Thanksgiving Is... Holiday House, 2004.

Greene, Rhonda Gowler. The Very First Thanksgiving Day. Atheneum, 2002.

Hale, Anna W. The Mayflower People: Triumphs and Tragedies. Harbinger House, 1995.

Hallinan, P. K. Today is Thanksgiving! Ideals Children's Books, 1993.

Harness, Cheryl. Three Young Pilgrims. Aladdin, 1995.

Hayward, Linda. The First Thanksgiving. Random House, 1990.

Hennessy, B. G. One Little, Two Little, Three Little Pilgrims. Viking, 1999.

Jackson, Garnet. The First Thanksgiving. Scholastic, 2000.

Jassem, Kate. Squanto: The Pilgrim Adventure. Troll Communications. 1979.

Kamma, Anne. If You Were At... The First Thanksgiving. Scholastic, 2001.

Kessel, Joyce K. Squanto and the First Thanksgiving. Carolrhoda, 1983.

Kinnealy, Janice. Let's Celebrate Thanksgiving, A Book of Drawing Fun. Watermill, 1988.

Koller, Jackie French. Nickommoh! A Thanksgiving Celebration. Atheneum, 1999.

Marx, David F. Thanksgiving. Children's Press, 2000.

McGovern, Ann. The Pilgrims' First Thanksgiving. Scholastic, 1973.

McMullan, Kate. Fluffy's Thanksgiving. Scholastic, 1997.

Melmed, Laura Krauss. The First Thanksgiving Day: A Counting Story. HarperCollins, 2001.

Metaxas, Eric. Squanto and the First Thanksgiving. Rabbit Ears Books, 1996.

Moncure, Jane Belk. Word Bird's Thanksgiving Words. Child's World, 2002.

Ochoa, Anna. Sticker Stories: The Thanksgiving Play. Grosset & Dunlap, 2002.

Osborne, Mary Pope. Thanksgiving on Thursday. Random House, 2002.

Parker, Margot. What is Thanksgiving Day? Children's Press, 1988.

Peacock, Carol Antoinette. Pilgrim Cat. Whitman, 2004.

Prelutsky, Jack. It's Thanksgiving. Morrow, 1982.

Rader, Laura J. A Child's Story of Thanksgiving. Ideals Children's Books, 1998

Randall, Ronnie. Thanksgiving Fun: Great Things to Make and Do. Kingfisher, 1994.

Raphael, Elaine and Don Bolognese. The Story of the First Thanksgiving. Scholastic, 1991.

Rau, Dana Meachen. Thanksgiving. Children's Press, 2000.

Roberts, Bethany. Thanksgiving Mice! Clarion, 2001.

Rockwell, Anne. Thanksgiving Day. HarperCollins, 1999.

Rogers, Lou. The First Thanksgiving. Modern Curriculum Press. 1962.

Roloff, Nan. The First American Thanksgiving. Current, 1980.

Roop, Connie and Peter. Let's Celebrate Thanksgiving. Millbrook, 1999.

Roop, Connie and Peter. Pilgrim Voices: Our First Year in the New World. Walker, 1995.

Ross, Katherine. Crafts for Thanksgiving. Millbrook, 1995.

Ross, Katherine. The Story of the Pilgrims. Random House, 1995.

Ruelle, Karen Gray. The Thanksgiving Beast Feast. Holiday House, 1999.

San Souci, Robert. N.C. Wyeth's Pilgrims. Chronicle, 1991.

Scarry, Richard. Richard Scarry's The First Thanksgiving of Low Leaf Worm. Little Simon, 2003.

Schultz, Charles M. A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving. Simon & Schuster, 2002.

Sewall, Marcia. People of the Breaking Day. Atheneum, 1990.

Sewall, Marica. The People of Plimoth. Aladdin, 1986.

Sewall, Marcia. Thunder from the Clear Sky. Atheneum, 1995.

Siegel, Beatrice. Fur Traders and Traders: The Indians, the Pilgrims, and the Beaver. Walker, 1981.

Siegel, Beatrice. Indians of the Northeast Woodlands. Walker, 1992.

Silver, Donald M. and Patricia J. Wynne. Easy Make and Learn Projects: The Pilgrims, the Mayflower & More. Scholastic, 2001.

Skarmeas, Nancy J. The Story of Thanksgiving. Ideals Publications, 1999.

Sorenson, Lynda. Holidays: Thanksgiving. Rourke, 1994.

Stamper, Judith Bauer. New Friends in a New Land: A Thanksgiving Story. Steck-Vaughn, 1993.

Stamper, Judith Bauer. Thanksgiving Fun Activity Book. Troll, 1993.

Stanley, Diane. Thanksgiving on Plymouth Plantation. HarperCollins, 2004.

Steigemeyer, Julie. Thanksgiving: A Harvest Celebration. Concordia, 2003.

Tryon, Leslie. Albert's Thanksgiving. Aladdin, 19983.

Umnik, Sharon Dunn (Ed.). 175 Easy-to-Do Thanksgiving Crafts. Boyds Mills Press, 1996.

Waters, Kate. Giving Thanks: The 1621 Harvest Feast. Scholastic, 2001.

Waters, Kate. Samuel Eaton's Day: A Day in the Life of a Pilgrim Boy. Scholastic, 1993.

Waters, Kate. *Sarah Morton's Day: A Day in the Life of a Pilgrim Girl*. Scholastic, 1989.

Waters, Kate. *Tapenum's Day: A Wampanoag Boy in Pilgrim Times*. 1996.

Weisgard, Leonard. *The Plymouth Thanksgiving*. Doubleday, 1967.

Whitehead, Pat. *Best Thanksgiving Book, ABC Adventures*. Troll Communications, 1985.

[Book list of titles suggested to be avoided](#)

Films

Dances with Wolves (1990)

Disney's The Lone Ranger (2013)

Disney's Peter Pan (1953)

Fievel Goes West (1991)

Indian in the Cupboard (1995)

Pocahontas (1995)

The Ridiculous Six (2015)

Zootopia (2016)

TV/Series/Show

A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving

First Contact (Canadian reality show)

Little House on the Prairie

This is America Charlie Brown: The Mayflower Voyagers

General Things to Avoid

- Incomplete resources and non-primary sources.
- Ethnocentric bias, resources that present only one side of the story.
- Presenting information that repeatedly depicts American Indians acting exclusively in reaction to Europeans or Euro-Americans,
- Resources that generalize “native americans’ and don’t show them as individual nations with cultural differences
- Resources where Native people are shown speaking primitively- if looking at these types of resources with students critically try showing someone like Geo Neptune who is such a wonderful speaker as a comparison
- Pocahontas stories
- Resources that have not been vetted, resources that have not been created or reviewed by Wabanaki people.
- Using only past tense vs. contemporary examples that reinforce the myth that native people are “vanishing” or examples that negate their current experiences.
- Refrain from using terminology and phrases that perpetuate stereotypes, such as “Indian Princess”.
- Resources that tokenize or objectify Native Americans.
- Blatant inaccuracies, unvetted sources.
- Illustrations and images that portray Native Americans
 - in exaggerated ways (physical appearances or particular socio-economics) that perpetuate stereotypes.
 - as caricatures
- Glorified Columbus stories
- Portraying Thanksgiving as the ‘first’ or as if the colonizers invited and served the Wampanoag
- Mocking ceremony
- Cultural appropriation Resources that romanticize or fetishize Indigenous culture, spirituality, or way of life.
- Resources that depict Indigenous people as inferior or savage, or as a hindrance to progress and civilization.
- Resources that use offensive or outdated terminology, such as "redskins" or "savages".

- Resources that minimize or justify the impact of colonization, forced assimilation, and genocide on Indigenous communities.
- Resources that ignore or erase the contributions of Indigenous people to history, science, art, and culture.
- Resources that perpetuate the myth of the "noble savage" or the "vanishing race".
- Resources that appropriate Indigenous cultural symbols, practices, or artifacts without proper context or permission.
- Resources that treat Indigenous people as a monolithic group, without acknowledging the diversity of their languages, traditions, and experiences.
- Resources that promote stereotypes about Indigenous people, such as their supposed connection to nature, their supposed propensity for alcoholism, or their supposed lack of intelligence or agency.
- Resources that use Indigenous people as props or extras in non-Indigenous narratives, without giving them meaningful roles or agency.

- ❑ Our materials **DO NOT** show Indigenous people as savages, or primitive craftspeople, or simple tribal people, now extinct.
- ❑ Our materials **DO NOT** use stereotypes to oversimplify or generalize Indigenous people as all one color or all one style. The materials honor the fact that there are many unique and separate Indigenous cultures.
- ❑ Our materials **DO NOT** use insulting language to describe Indigenous people and cultures. Words like "primitive," "pristine," "simple," "Injun" or "savage" are **NOT** used.
- ❑ Our materials **DO NOT** portray Indigenous communities as simplistic, mythological, or dependent on non-Indigenous people. The materials honor the full complexity of Indigenous communities and cultures and recognize the ability of Indigenous peoples to govern their own land and communities.

- ❑ Our materials **DO NOT** suggest that Indigenous peoples are responsible for their mistreatment. The materials recognize that Euro-Americans have acted with greed and violence.
- ❑ Our materials **DO NOT** suggest that Indigenous peoples are only victims. The materials recognize that Native people have always resisted Euro-American conquest.
- ❑ Our materials **DO NOT** use past tense to describe Indigenous peoples, unless explicitly discussing history. The materials recognize that Indigenous people are alive today and that Indigenous people and communities exist in the present tense.
- ❑ Our materials **DO NOT** celebrate cultural appropriation. The materials acknowledge that Native culture can be celebrated, but that Native culture belongs to Native people.

Resources for Dealing with Harmful Resources

<http://oyate.org/index.php/resources/41-resources/how-to-tell-the-difference> (this link did not work for me?)

<http://oyate.org/index.php/resources/42-resources/oyate-s-additional-criteria>

<https://www.edi.nih.gov/blog/communities/appropriation-and-appreciation-whats-difference>