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November Calendar

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The pattern below can be duplicated, and numbers can be put on the back of each turkey. Punch a hole in the top of each turkey. A child can lift each day's turkey from its pin and place it over another pin on the corresponding day on the calendar board.

A transparency can be made of the picture on the opening page of this book for the top of the calendar. Trace the enlarged picture on poster board. Color in the picture with marking pens and laminate it for a long-lasting poster.

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Thanksgiving Bulletin Board Ideas

The Pilgrims and Native Americans Meet

This entire bulletin board is created using construction paper, crayons, and scissors. Divide a long bulletin board (5 to 6 yards—4 1/2–5 1/2 m) into three sections. Use paper to create a background of blue sky, blue ocean, green grass, and forest areas. Cut out white letters for the title, "The Pilgrims Came" Label the first section "Plymouth Rock and the Mayflower." Label the second section "Pilgrims and Native Americans Getting Food." Label the third section "The Thanksgiving Feast."

Divide your class into three groups and instruct them about their specific tasks.

Section 1

Things for Group 1 to do:

- 1. Two children make the Mayflower hull out of two pieces of 18 x 24–in. (46 x 61-cm) gray paper.
- 2. One child makes the Plymouth Rock out of a piece of $18 \ge 24$ -in. (46 ≤ 61 -cm) gray paper.
- 3. One child makes masts out of three strips of brown paper 18 x 2 in. (46 x 5 cm) long.
- 4. Three to six children make small, medium, and large sails for each mast cut from 9 x 12–in. (23 x 30–cm) white paper. They also make flags at the top of the masts from scraps of paper. The flags can be colored with crayons or markers.
- 5. One child makes clouds from torn white paper. These can be hung in all three areas of board.

Section 2

Things for Group 2 to do:

Give each child in this group one-half of a sheet of 9 x 12-in. (23 x 30-cm) white or manilla paper to make Pilgrims or Native Americans. After making two or three people, the children can make some of the following:

- 1. Pilgrim hunters with muskets
- 2. Native American hunters with bows and arrows
- 3. Pilgrims and natives fishing or digging for clams and oysters
- 4. deer, geese, ducks
- 5. trees
- 6. lobsters, clams, oysters, eels, fish (for the ocean area)
- 7. corn, squash, pumpkins (for the garden area)

Section 3

Prepare tables from white paper (4 x 24 in. (10 x 61 cm)) and benches from brown paper (2 x 24 in. (4 x 61 cm)).

Things for Group 3 to do:

Give each child in this group four sheets of 9 x 12–in. (23 x 30–cm) white or manilla paper to make four Pilgrim or Native American men, women, and children. The people should be almost 9 in. (23 cm) tall. After completing the people, the children can make some of the following:

- 1. Food for the feast table: turkeys, venison roasts, corn, beans, squash, cornbread, fish, cranberries, pumpkin pies, and nuts
- 2. Trees for the background

The children can arrange food and paste it to the tables. In order to make it look like the people are sitting at the table, bend the people at the waist and paste their leg area to the bench. (*The upper part of each person is actually standing out from the bulletin board.*)

When children in any group finish, they can make more food, animals, Pilgrims, Native Americans, or trees to add to sections 2 and 3.

As they finish, ask the children to bring their paper shapes to the bulletin board so that the shapes can be stapled in place. This entire board can be completed from start to finish in less than two hours. The 6-year-olds will be very proud of their bulletin board!

The Cornucopia

The teacher (*or a child*) furnishes a straw cornucopia, and the class is encouraged to bring relatively nonperishable fruits and vegetables to add to it. This is displayed for the entire month of November. Suggest that the children bring the following items:

- 1. Indian corn
- 2. Gourds
- 3. Small pumpkins
- 4. Pomegranates
- 5. Apples (different colors)
- 6. Nuts in shell
- 7. Fall leaves

