

### Happy Thanksgiving!

ESL Holiday Worksheet  
The Legacy of Squanto  
American History



## *Squanto Helped the Pilgrims*

List 7 Things You are Thankful For...

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The pilgrims were grateful to the American Indian Squanto because he helped them survive in the New World. Squanto taught them how to catch eel and grow corn. He also acted as an interpreter. Squanto learned English when he was a slave in Europe.

Squanto was captured and made a slave in 1605 when he was in his 20s. He

worked as a slave for nine years before returning to the New World in 1613. Soon after he returned to his tribe, he was captured again by another Englishman. Fortunately, a group of friars rescued him and some other Indians.

Squanto acted as a peacemaker between the pilgrims and the Indians.

It is believed he was distrusted by both



*Children Dressed Like Pilgrims Holding a Turkey*

groups and may have been poisoned to death in 1622. He is buried in an unmarked grave in Massachusetts.

### Easy Thanksgiving Facts

- Squanto's real name was Tisquantum.
- Canadians celebrate Thanksgiving on the second Monday in November.
- The President of the United States "pardons" a turkey each year on Thanksgiving Day.

## *Should Squanto be given a grave marker?*

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