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Thanksgiving Internet Hunt

<http://www.mrsoshouse.com/ext/thanks/fun.html>

Directions: Click on the linked words to go to a web site with the answer. Click on the Back Button in your Browser menu to return to the hunt page. Click on the wild turkey to go to the next question.

1. Freshen up your turkey facts at the turkey trivia site.
Write a fact you did not know before visiting the page.

2. Wild turkey info - Write your favorite fact about the wild turkey.

Check it out - What is a dewlap? _____

3. Harvesting Cranberries - How do the farmers harvest the cranberries?

4a. We celebrate Thanksgiving Day in November. But the first one was not celebrated in November. Which President set the U.S. Thanksgiving holiday to the 4th Thursday in November?

4b. Our celebrating Thanksgiving each year can be credited to the perseverance of one woman. Name her. What tool did she use to get the annual holiday?

5. Mr. Standish was a passenger on the Mayflower. What was his first name?

Describe his job or role in the group. _____

6. Who was Massasoit? _____

7. In the upper left corner of the page there is a cornucopia.

What ancient people first had them?

What does it symbolize? _____

8. Name three things about the Pilgrims' Thanksgiving that are different from yours.

9. How big was the largest pumpkin ever grown?

You had a great year in the garden. You grew a 300 pound pumpkin.

What is the difference in weight between your pumpkin and the biggest one?

Extra Challenging: Your pumpkin's weight is what percentage of the largest one's weight?

10. Explore the Plimoth Plantation website. Imagine you are on a field trip. You write a post card to your family. Write three sentences about the visit. Include what surprised you or was different than what you expected to see.

11. The Wampanoag people lived in Massachusetts for thousands of years before the Europeans invaded North America. Describe the diet of the Wampanoag.

What were their homes like? _____

12. What makes the little stick in your turkey timer pop up when the turkey is done?

13. Suppose you live in Canada. Is Thanksgiving celebrated on the same day as it is in the USA? Why or Why not?

14. Your dad is making Thanksgiving dinner for the first time. The two of you are peeking in the oven. What measurement will tell you the turkey is done?

Read: "Why do turkeys have dark and white meat?" *Library of Congress Everyday Mysteries*
Select another animal. Do you think this animal has muscles with slow-twitch fibers and fast-twitch fibers?

Animal: _____ Slow Twitch Muscles: _____

Fast Twitch muscles: _____

15. Established on November 26, 1789, the first national "Thanksgiving Day" was originally created by George Washington. What did he want to give thanks for?

16. Examine the chart about U. S. Turkey Production.

Is the turkey production since 1996: increasing, remaining the same or decreasing?

Challenge:

Use one of the links from the hunt to find this answer. Who was born on the Mayflower?
