

Adler, David A. *Bones and the apple pie mystery*. NY, Penguin, 2013. When Sally's entry in the Best Pie Contest goes missing, Bones looks for clues.

**EJ ADLER**

Black, Sonia. *Let's read about-- Squanto*. Scholastic, c2002. Squanto, who was born in the Wampanoag Nation with the name Tisquantum, travels to England in 1605 looking for adventure.

**EJ BLACK**

Bruchac, Joseph. *The maple thanksgiving*. Glenview, IL. Celebration Press, c1996. This "Little celebrations" looks at maple sugar with the Iroquois tribe.

**EJ BRUCHAC**

Cazet, Denys.

*Minnie and Moo and the Thanksgiving tree*. Dorling Kindersley, 2000. All the animals in the barnyard ask the cows Minnie and Moo to hide them so that they will not become Thanksgiving dinner.

**EJ CAZET**

Christopher, Matt. *The dog that stole football plays*. Boston, Little, Brown, c1980. A boy and his psychic dog are able to steal plays from the opposing football team.

**EJ CHRISTOPHER**

Cohen, Caron Lee. *Digger Pig and the turnip*. Orlando : Green Light Readers/Harcourt, c2000, In this adaptation of a traditional folktale a dog, duck, and chick refuse to help a pig prepare a turnip pie but nevertheless expect to eat it when it's ready.

**EJ COHEN**

Curry, Don L. *Fall leaves*. NY, Children's Press, c2004. Fun with fallen leaves.

**EJ CURRY**

Fowler, Allan. *Corn-- on and off the cob*. Chicago : Childrens Press, c1994.

**EJ FOWLER**

Gaines, Isabel. *Pooh's Halloween pumpkin*. NY, Random House, 2003. As Pooh wonders if a seed will ever become a pumpkin.

**EJ GAINES**

Gibbons, Gail. *My football book*. HarperCollins c2000. Introduces the basics of the game of football, the players, and how the game is played.

**EJ GIBBONS**

Ghigna, Charles. *Oh my, pumpkin pie!* NY, Random House, c2005. Rhyming text describes the different shapes and sizes of various pumpkins and notes what they might become--including pies, scarecrow heads, and jack-o-lanterns--once they leave the patch.

**EJ GHIGNA**

Gutman, Dan. *Dr. Carbles is losing his marbles!* HarperTrophy, c2007. A.J. and his classmates try to find a way to bring back eccentric but lovable Principal Klutz, who was fired for bringing a wild turkey to school.

**EJ GUTMAN**

Hayward, Linda. *The first Thanksgiving*. Random House, c1990. How Thanksgiving came to be.

**EJ HAYWARD**

Hillert, Margaret. *Why we have Thanksgiving*. Follett Pub. Co., c1982. Relates the journey of the Pilgrims to America and describes their struggles during the first year culminated in the celebration of Thanksgiving.

**EJ HILLERT**

Hoban, Lillian. *Silly Tilly's Thanksgiving dinner*. Harper & Row, c1990. Forgetful Silly Tilly Mole nearly succeeds in ruining her Thanksgiving dinner, but her animal friends come to the rescue with tasty treats.

**EJ HOBAN**

Katschke, Judy. *Kick the football, Charlie Brown*. Little Simon, 2001. Charlie Brown continues to try to kick the football and Lucy pulls it away to make him fall down.

**EJ KATSCHKE**

Keene, Carolyn. *Thanksgiving thief*. Aladdin Paperbacks, c2008. There are wild turkeys on the loose--and they are threatening to ruin the traditional River Heights Thanksgiving feast.

**EJ KEENE**

Kessel, Joyce K. *Squanto and the first Thanksgiving*. Minneapolis, Carolrhoda Books, c1983.

Describes how the Indian Squanto, an English-speaking Christian and former slave, whose village had been wiped out by smallpox, taught the Pilgrims the skills they needed to survive the harsh Massachusetts winter.

**EJ KESSEL**

Kottke, Jan. *From seed to pumpkin*. NY, Children's Press, c2000. Illustrations and simple text describe how a pumpkin seed grows into a plant that produces pumpkins for making pies and jack-o-lanterns.

**EJ KOTTKE**

Manushkin, Fran. *Katie saves Thanksgiving*. Picture Window Books, c2011. When a snowstorm causes the power to go out Katie and her parents think their Thanksgiving dinner with JoJo and Pedro is ruined, but by being a good neighbor, Katie saves the day.

**EJ MANUSHKIN**

Marzollo, Jean. *I spy Thanksgiving*. Scholastic, c2010. Simple text challenges the reader to find objects hidden in the photographs.

**EJ MARZOLLO**

Mayer, Mercer. *The fall festival*. HarperCollins Children's Books, c2009. Join Little Critter and his family on their way to the Fall Festival. From apple picking to hayrides, see the fun of harvest season.

**EJ MAYER**

McNamara, Margaret. *Happy Thanksgiving*. Aladdin Paperbacks, 2005. Just as Mrs. Connor's first grade class finishes dressing up in their Thanksgiving costumes, a fire drill is called.

**EJ MCNAMARA**

Murray, Julie. *Thanksgiving*. ABDO, c2003. An introduction to the past and present of the holiday known as Thanksgiving Day

**EJ MURRAY**

Osborne, Mary Pope. *Pilgrims: a nonfiction companion to Thanksgiving on Thursday*. Random House, c2005. What was it like to be a passenger on the Mayflower? How did Pilgrim children spend their days?

**EJ OSBORNE**

Osborne, Mary Pope. *Thanksgiving on Thursday*. Random House, c2002. Jack and Annie travel to the year 1621, where they celebrate Thanksgiving with the Pilgrims and Wampanoag Indians in the New Plymouth Colony.

**EJ OSBORNE**

Parish, Herman. *Amelia Bedelia talks turkey*. Greenwillow Books, 2008. When Amelia Bedelia volunteers to fill in as director of a third-grade Thanksgiving play, she misunderstands everything from one girl's desire to play a big role to an opening night wish that she "break a leg," but all is well in the end.

**EJ PARISH**

Park, Barbara. *Junie B., first grader : turkeys we have loved and eaten (and other thankful stuff)*.

NY, Random House, c2012. To celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday, Mr. Scary's first grade class prepares a Thankful List for the school contest, but Junie B. Jones finds it hard to be grateful for squash or Tattletale May.

**EJ PARK**

Pearlman, Bobby. *Leaf dance*.

Little Simon, 2001.

Raggedy Ann, Raggedy Andy, and the other toys throw a party to celebrate the first day of fall.

**EJ PEARLMAN**

Peschke, M. (Marci) *Football queen*.

North Mankato, MN, Picture Window Books, c2012.

Kylie Jean Carter has been waiting for three years to become a Little Dazzler--a junior cheerleader for the high school's Dancing Dazzlers--so she can cheer for her brother's high school football team.

**EJ PESCHKE**

Prelutsky, Jack. *It's Thanksgiving!*

HarperCollins, c2007.

An illustrated collection of poems for children about family, food, and other Thanksgiving things.

**EJ PRELUTSKY**

Rockwell, Anne F. *Sweet potato pie*.

Random House, c1996.

Everybody on the farm stops what they are doing to come and enjoy Grandma's sweet potato pie.

**EJ ROCKWELL**

Rylant, Cynthia.

*Henry and Mudge under the yellow moon*.

Trumpet Club, c1987, 1991.

In the autumn Henry and his big dog Mudge watch the leaves turn, meet with some Halloween spooks and share Thanksgiving dinner.

**EJ RYLANT**

Sheffield, Sarah.

*When leaves turn : learning the UR sound*.

PowerKids Press, 2002.

This book teaches facts while incorporating the fundamentals of phonemic patterns and usage

**EJ SHEFFIELD**

Sloate, Susan. *Pardon that turkey : how*

*Thanksgiving became a holiday*.

Grosset & Dunlap, 2010. The tale of one woman's fight for a national holiday and how the president came to pardon a turkey every year."

**EJ SLOATE**

Spirn, Michele. *The Know-Nothings talk turkey*.

HarperCollins, 2000.

Four friends celebrate Thanksgiving in their own silly way.

**EJ SPIRN**

Wilhelm, Hans. *I'm no turkey*.

Scholastic, 2008. It's Thanksgiving! Noodles wants to join the fun. But will he like his part in the holiday parade?

**EJ WILHELM**

Williams, Jacklyn. *Happy Thanksgiving, Gus!*

Picture Window Books, c2006.

When Gus and Bean go to gather farm vegetables for Thanksgiving, Bean brings his camera along so that he can finish a homework assignment.

**EJ WILLIAMS**



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