



# Just for Fun

Now that you and your child have read the story, enjoy one or more of the following activities. Remember, it's also OK to read the story again and again!

## Thanksgiving Day

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## Activities

- Help your child make place cards for your family's Thanksgiving dinner. Trace your child's hand on a cardboard cereal box. Cut out his or her handshape to make the turkey's tail and cut out two circles, one small and the other a little bigger, for the turkey's head and body. Have your child paste the handshape on a piece of colored construction paper or a fall-colored magazine page, then paste the head and the body on the hand and draw the beak and the eyes on the head. On the turkey's body, have your child either write the names of your family members or cut out the letters of their names from newspapers and paste them down.
- Play a word game with your child. Write the word *Thanksgiving* or other words related to Thanksgiving (i.e., Mayflower, pilgrims) on a piece of paper and let your child look for and write down words that can be made from the letters of that word (s).
- With your child, make a Thanksgiving picture album of last year's celebration in your family. You can staple together pieces of colored construction paper to make an album or get one from a store. Place a photo(s) on each page of the album. Help your child write captions for the pictures. He or she can show the album during your family's Thanksgiving gathering this year.

## Read More About It!

If you and your child enjoyed this book, look for these related titles at your local library or bookstore: *Ten Little Rabbits* by Virginia Grossman, *My First Thanksgiving* by Tommie dePaola, *Celebrating Thanksgiving* by Kupperstein, *Thanksgiving* by Miriam Nerlove, and *On the Mayflower* by Kate Waters.



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