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n top of all the other stressors of this year, we adults are now trying to navigate celebrating Thanksgiving safely during the middle of a pandemic. Do we do a Zoom dinner with the West Virginia cousins? Break bread with the other family in our bubble on a picnic table in the backyard? Order a pizza and call it a day?

Kids, luckily, aren't sweating the details. Mostly, they're looking forward to that first bite of a glorious gobbler.

To help us grown-ups lower our collective blood pressure, a reporter recently visited students at Monterey Elementary School in Roanoke to gather their youthful impressions of the holiday. Some talked a lot. Some talked a little. Some provided culinary tips.

Grayson Bradney, age 6

What Thanksgiving?

You get to

eat. What's your favorite thing to eat on Thanksgiving?

Turkey. What are thankful for this Thanksgiving?

To show kindness.

Thanksgiving?

fix the turkey?

Turkey.

the turkey?

Yeah.

Playing tic-tac-toe with my dad.

Dylan Guilliams, age 6

Why do we celebrate Thanksgiving?

What's your favorite thing to eat on

How do the grown-ups at your house

They put in special ingredients.

Salt. Pepper. Chicken.

They pour it inside.

For like a minute.

Do you like stuffing?

What do you

think stuffing

is made of?

Like, what

is it?

Salt.

But there

has to be

something

else in it,

right? It's

not just a big

plate of salt?

Chicken.

Pepper.

What are those special ingredients?

Do they pour those things on top of

How long do they cook the turkey?

What temperature do they cook it on?

You mix all that stuff together? I think so.

Do you cook it? I think you have to cook it or you just eat it. I would go

with cooking How long snoula cook it? Probably like

an hour. What temperature would be good

for stuffing? 14. Do you help out at

home with meal prep?

I usually do the desserts.

What do you do to them? I add the chocolate chips.

What kind of desserts do you like on Thanksgiving?

Cookies. What kind?

Chocolate chip.

What does your family like to do on Thanksgiving?

Do you get a full tummy?

I eat a lot. I can eat a whole turkey. I can eat 16 cookies.

What are you thankful for this Thanksgiving?

Kindness. My dog Luna. She's grumpy, but she's nice.

Karson Who will you Dylan

Walker, age

be with on Thanksgiving? My cousins. How manv cousins do you have?

I got lots. Will you have dinner together? Yes.

What kind of dessert do you like on Thanksgiving?

Sugar. Don't tell my dad, but I like all kinds of sugar.

Can you think of anything you're especially thankful for this Thanksgiving?

My favorite thing is Transformers.

Is there a Transformer you like the most? Optimus Prime.

Ava Mullins, age 6

What is Thanksgiving?

It's where you give stuff to people and we have turkevs.

Do you like Thanksgiving? Yeah, because I get to eat turkeys. I

read a book about turkeys and it was

What happened in the book?

They were having Thanksgiving, but two of the animals didn't get to have Thanksgiving and then all of the animals were waiting to have it at their house. They were bears and the mom wanted to get a turkey, but they had to have a paper turkey because they never had a turkey. But then the dad, he went and

bought the turkey. And all the mama did was let him sit down. They didn't eat him. What's vour favorite thing to eat at

Thanksgiving? Turkey.

[Pause]. haven't even tasted turkey. So you don't know if you like it?

Uh-uh. I just like it.

If you were in charge of cooking the Thanksgiving turkey, what would you do first?

Catch it. Seems like an important first step. Then what would nappen:

You eat it. Do you think you should take the feathers off?

Should you cook it?

How long should you cook it? Until it's good.

arson

Valker

How do you know when it going to be good?

When it's burnt.

What about mashed potatoes and gravy. How many potatoes do you need for Thanksgiving dinner?

I think you need 100. What do you do to them to get them

mashed up?

You peel the thing off and then you

smash them.

What do you smash them with? I will smash them with a knife. I just

smash them with anything.

What do you have for dessert for Thanksgiving?

The turkey. You have it again? Do you have turkey a differ-

ent way or do you eat it the same? You just eat more and

more.

What are you thankful for this Thanksgiving?

Turkey.

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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9.

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Answer:

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Unscramble the letters for each word to reveal five movies and

TV shows. Then, rearrange the circled letters to discover the actor who has appeared in all five.

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> From the list, find each word and circle its letters in the puzzle above to reveal the message relating to this week's theme.

Snacktime!

BAGEL BANANA BERRIES BRITTLE CANDY CARROTS CASHEWS **CELERY** CEREAL CHEESE KIWI

CHIPS

CHOCOLATE ORANGE **CREPES** PEANUTS **CROISSANT PECANS ENERGY BAR POPCORN FRUIT PRETZEL FUDGE PUMPKIN GRAPES SEEDS HUMMUS RAISINS JERKY SCONES** TRAIL MIX **YOGURT NACHOS**

Thanksgiving

Aubree Hankins, age 7

What do you like to eat on Thanksgiving?

Turkey my grandma makes. How does she make the turkey?

I don't know. If all the grown-ups went on strike and you had to make the turkey, how would you

make it? I don't know.

Have you eaten stuffing?

Yes. Do you like stuffing?

No. What don't you like about it?

It tastes weird.

What does it taste like?

I don't remember. What are some other sides

you like at Thanksgiving? My grandma cooks green beans and corn. What are you thank-

ful for this Thanksgiving? I have a brother

I love. He's 4.

Caleb Blackwell, age 7

If all the grown-ups went

on strike and you had to make the turkey, how would you make it? I'd probably make a fire because my

grandma has a fireplace and we can light the firewood that's inside of it.

No. Dead.

Would the turkey scream in the fire?

Would you take the feathers off?

How long would you cook it in the fire?

Probably for ten to nine minutes.

How would you know when it's ready? I would look at it in the fire and see if it's

burning and then take it off.

That makes sense. Do you like mashed po-

I don't really eat potatoes, but my grandma does make cookies at Thanksgiving. They taste

really good. What kind of cookies?

I forgot, but she does make something like



carrot cake. There are three dogs

there. One is mine. Two are

my uncles. My uncle has

one puppy. My puppy

and the other puppy

You'll be well en-

tertained. Can we

talk about stuff-

I don't really eat

Thanksgiving is to

eat turkey and car-

don't want to sleep.

plan on

I eat a lot of stuff on

Thanksgiving to the point I

fight a lot.

ing?

it.

Your

rot cake?

COURTESY BETH JOJACK

What do you eat?

Turkey. I eat lots of turkeys. Drink lots of milk and lots of water. My brother will probably

eat everything. What's his favorite

food? He eats everything. Turkey. Like all the candy. All

What are you thankful for this Thanksgiving?

the sweets.

I'm probably thankful for my two dogs. So my dog is Zelda and my uncle's dog is Royce. Those are the

two puppies. My other uncle's dog is named Bentley.

What would be Zelda's favorite thing to eat on Thanksgiving?

Dog treats and turkey.

You know a lot about animals. I usually watch "Wild Kratts" and National

Geographic.

Here's a question: What's a wattle?

It's the bottom part. The part under the tur-

key's mouth.

What does it do? It makes the turkey sound.

What else do you know about turkeys?

They can't fly that good. They rarely fly. They usually walk. It probably takes too much energy. Pigeons: They can fly, but it takes too much energy.

Can you do a turkey impression? Gobble-Gobble. Gobble-Gobble.

Morgan Johnson Strother, principal of Monterey **Elementary School, also**

talked turkey:

What do you about like Thanksgiving?

My favorite thing is to be around family and to eat all the vegetables.

Are you saying that because cipal and you feel like you



Strother

have to set a good example?

No I would love a vegetable plate. I could go without the turkey.

What vegetables do you like?

Mashed potatoes and gravy. I guess those aren't vegetables, are they? OK. let's start with the carbs: macaroni and cheese, rolls and butter. I like deviled eggs. I like green beans. I like squash casserole. I'm not a huge stuffing fan either. I would much rather have ham biscuits than turkey.

Are you the one who cooks at your house?

No, I go to my mom's. There was a meme recently that was like, 'How do you cook your turkey? Go to your mom's house.' That's me. That's OK. I'm not ashamed of it.