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**The History of Thanksgiving**

Thanksgiving is an important holiday celebrated in the U.S. This listening activity will explore the history and development of the holiday from 1620-2021. There are four parts to the activity. When you are finished, email it to Sara ([shanson-lynn@zagmail.gonzaga.edu](mailto:shanson-lynn@zagmail.gonzaga.edu)) for feedback.

**PART ONE**

Start by writing what you already know about Thanksgiving.

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| **What do you already know about Thanksgiving?** | |
| How is it celebrated? |  |
| Who celebrates it? |  |
| What day is it this year? |  |
| What is the history behind the holiday? |  |

Think about what might be discussed in the video.

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| What might the video talk about? |  |
| What images might the video show? |  |

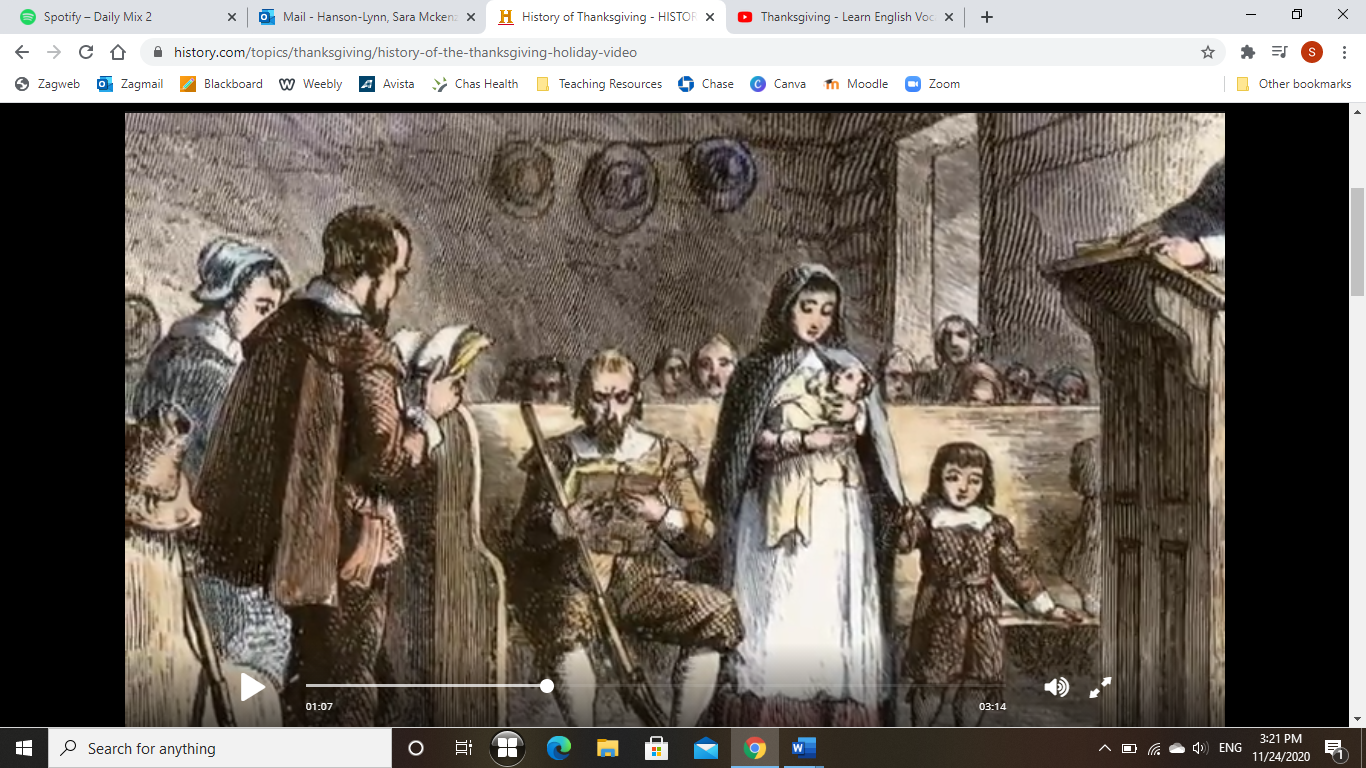
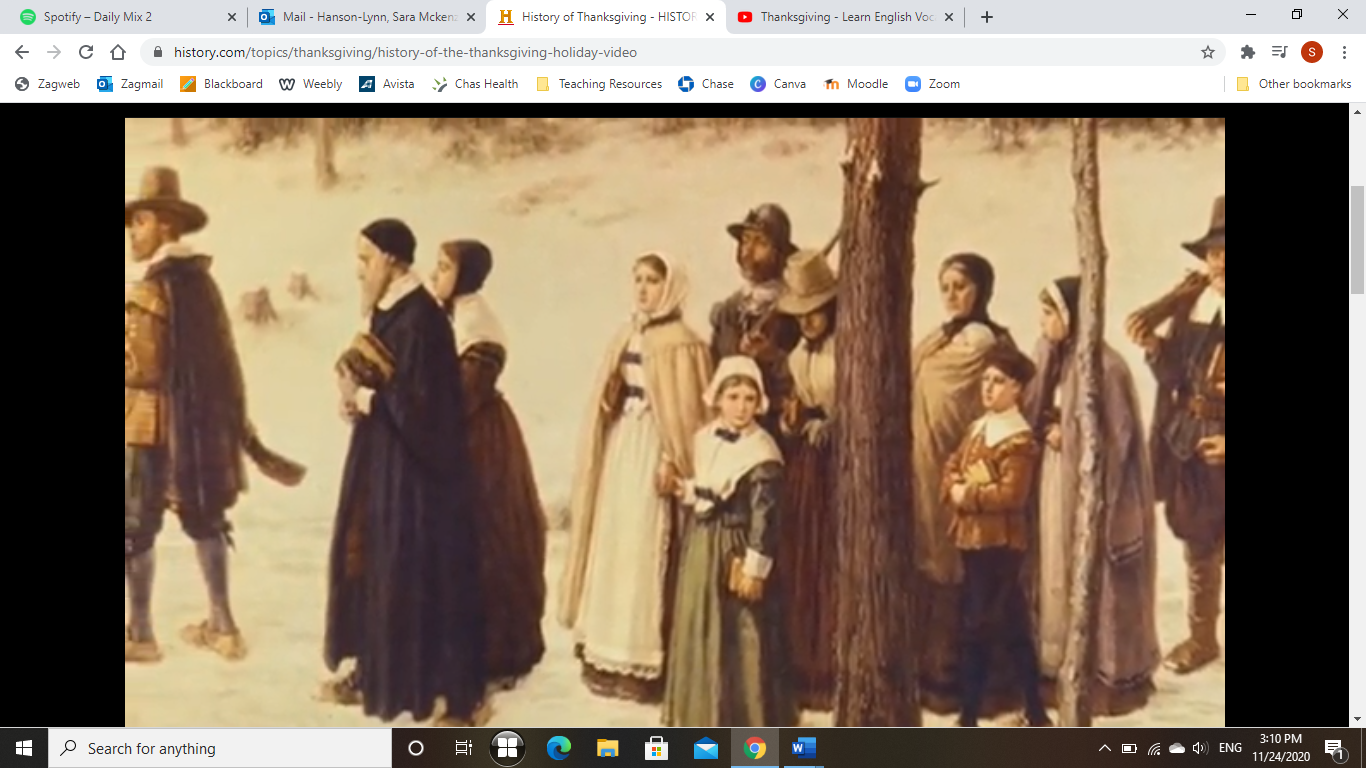
**PART TWO**

Watch the video for the first time. Listen and look at the images. It is okay if you do not understand everything.

<https://www.history.com/topics/thanksgiving/history-of-the-thanksgiving-holiday-video>

After you watch the video, put the images in order.

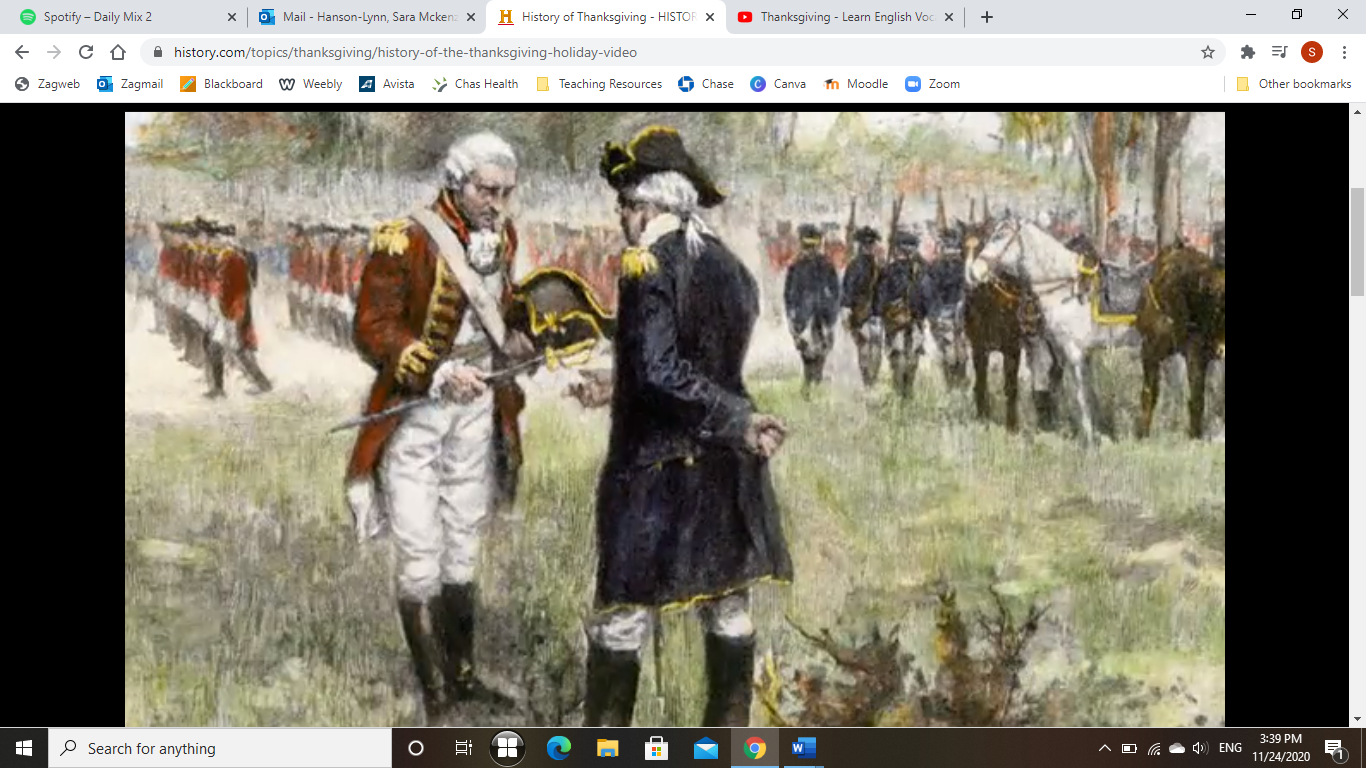
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A. Puritans celebrated by praying B. Many Pilgrims died in the winter from hunger.  
and thanking God.

C. New traditions were added like watching D. The Pilgrims shared a feast with the Native  
football, shopping, and going to parades. Americans.

E. People celebrate by giving thanks and F. The colonies celebrated and gave thanks for   
eating with family and friends. winning a battle against the British.

**PART THREE**

The video has many vocabulary words. Try to discover the definition from watching the video, looking up the definition, or asking a friend. Write your definitions below and add a picture.

* the Pilgrims: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* the Puritans: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* a feast: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* the colonies: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* the harvest: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* a battle: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**PART FOUR**

Watch the video again. Follow the timeline and fill in the missing words. Listen again to check your answers.

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| first winter hunting thanks feast |

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| November family football battles shopping |



**PART FIVE**

Answer the questions with your thoughts and opinions.

1. What is something new you learned in the video? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. What was something you already knew? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. What was the most interesting thing you learned? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_