

**First Grade Social Studies Lesson Plans**  
**November 13, 2006-November 17, 2006**

**TEK**

**1.2B Compare the observance of holidays and celebrations, past and present.**

**11-13-06 Monday**

TSW describe, explore, and compare the observance of Thanksgiving past and present.

**Materials:** KWL Chart, copy of Thanksgiving Day by Gail Gibbons

**Lesson:** Teacher and students will begin discussion on Thanksgiving. Complete the K and W sections of your KWL chart. Read to students the book Thanksgiving Day by Gail Gibbons. Complete the L section of the KWL chart.

**WRITING:** In their writing journal, have the students write 3 complete sentences (using CUPS) about the first Thanksgiving celebration.

**MODE OF INSTRUCTION:** Practice by Doing

**GRADE:** NO

**11-14-06 Tuesday**

TSW describe, explore, and compare the observance of Thanksgiving past and present.

**MATERIALS:**

**Lesson:** Review with the students what they learned about the first Thanksgiving and modern

Thanksgiving. Reread the book Thanksgiving Day by Gail Gibbons from Monday. As a whole group activity...create a Venn diagram using butcher paper or your Venn diagram pocket chart. Label one side

The First Thanksgiving and the other side Thanksgiving Today. Complete Venn diagram with the students and discuss how some things are still the same and how some things changed. **I have a video on the First Thanksgiving. Today would be a good day to watch it.**

**MODE OF INSTRUCTION:** Practice by Doing

**GRADE:** NO

**WRITING:** In their writing journal, have the students compose 3 sentences (using CUPS) about how THEY celebrate Thanksgiving with their family.

**11-15-06 Wednesday**

TSW describe, explore, and compare the observance of Thanksgiving past and present.

**MATERIALS:** copy of Venn diagram, pencils

**Lesson:** TSW review the KWL from Monday and the Venn diagram from Tuesday. Distribute to each student a copy of the Venn diagram. The students will complete the Venn diagram for a grade.

**MODE OF INSTRUCTION:** PRACTICE BY DOING

**GRADE:** YES (Venn Diagram-Thanksgiving) 12 points

**WRITING:** IN THE LESSON FOR THE DAY

**11-16-06 Thursday**

TSW describe, explore, and compare the observance of Thanksgiving past and present.

**Materials:** Thanksgiving Assmt, pencils

**Lesson:** Do a quick review on Thanksgiving. Compare and contrast the past and present ways of celebrating. Use your KWL and your Venn diagram to review with the students. Distribute to the students a copy of the First Thanksgiving Assmt. Read the passage and the questions to the students as they complete the assmt.

**MODE OF INSTRUCTION:** PRACTICE BY DOING

**GRADE:** YES (The First Thanksgiving Assmt.)

**11-17-06 Friday**

Friday is an assmt, catch up and review day!

TSW review what they have learned about Thanksgiving past and present, and then complete any unfinished work from the week.

**MODE OF INSTRUCTION:** PRACTICE BY DOING