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From the Kitchen of Janice Feuer Haugen

Answers for A Thanksgiving Quiz

1. B. Three days
2. C. 1777 The first nationwide Thanksgiving in 1777 celebrated an American victory over the British Army at the Battle of Saratoga. The first Thanksgiving celebrated by the English settlers took place in 1621.
3. A. George Washington was the first president to declare a national day of Thanksgiving in 1789, but it didn't become an annual holiday until President Lincoln issues his Thanksgiving Proclamation in 1863.
4. B. Squanto Squanto became the colony's chief interpreter and agent in their interaction with the native peoples. Squanto had learned the ways of the Europeans as he had previously been captured by an English ship's captain, escaped from slavery in Spain, made his way to London and returned to America.
5. B. Plymouth Colony
6. A. Wampanoag According to Edward Winslow's account of the event, some 90 members of the Wampanoag tribe, including their chief, attended the Pilgrims' 1621 Thanksgiving celebration.
7. C. Massasoit Massasoit visited the settlement to investigate a rumor that the English were preparing for war. But instead he and his men ended up helping to hunt deer for the feast.
8. C. 12,000 years The Wampanoag had been living in the Cape cod area of Massachusetts for over 12,000 years when the English arrived
9. B. 1621 Sometime in the fall of 1621, after a harsh winter in which they lost many of their original group to famine and disease, the Pilgrims had a celebration to give thanks for the bountiful harvest of that year.
10. B. Turkey Turkey may or may not have been a part of the meal since the term "turkey" was used by the Pilgrims to mean any type of wild fowl.
11. D. The Mayflower The Pilgrims boarded the 180-ton Mayflower and began their historic voyage on September 16, 1620 with about 102 passengers. After a difficult 65-day journey, they sighted Cape Cod on November 19.
12. C. to extend the Christmas shopping season However, public uproar against President Roosevelt's decision led Congress to return the celebration of Thanksgiving back to its original date. Congress declared the fourth Thursday of November would be deemed an observation of Thanksgiving Day and a legal federal holiday.
13. D. William Bradford William Bradford became the governor of Plymouth after the first governor died in 1621. As a writer, he based his writings on his experiences as a member (and leader) of the colony. He wrote about their tragedies, and triumphs, as they "lifted up their eyes to the heavens."

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14. B. President Abraham Lincoln issued his Thanksgiving Proclamation in 1863, making Thanksgiving an annual holiday to be celebrated the last Thursday of November.
15. D. Sarah Josepha Hale, a prolific writer, spent 40 years promoting Thanksgiving in her magazine, Boston Ladies' Magazine. She is credited with persuading President Lincoln in 1863 to make Thanksgiving a national holiday in the United States.
16. True More people travel on Thanksgiving in the U.S. than on any other day of the year.
17. B. A Turkey The President receives the gift of a live turkey each Thanksgiving then "pardons" it, sending it to live out its life on a farm.

