

# Thanksgiving

Week of November 23rd

- Play with turkey basters in the sink or bathtub. Discuss what a turkey baster is and how it is used. (squeezing household items like turkey basters and tongs increase hand strength, which are needed for writing and drawing)
- Print out or draw an empty [cornucopia](#) on a sheet of paper. Have your student cut or tear out food from ads and glue on the paper to fill the cornucopia.
- Corn shakers. Needed-Screw top bottle, popping corn, hot glue gun(optional), music to shake along with:). (children are practicing fine and gross motor skills when they are moving to a regular beat)
- Have each family member draw a picture of something they are thankful for then place in a container to share during dinner.
- Let your preschooler sort and count your can goods. If you discover you have an abundance, you can talk to your preschooler about sharing with others by donating to local food banks.
- Sprout a sweet potato. Use this link to follow the simple instructions.  
<https://www.pre-kpages.com/science-for-kids-observing-plant-growth-in-sweet-potatoes/>
- Watch Mrs. Remus do the Dancing Corn Experiment and then try it yourself.(Parents: The corn danced more and more following the video, so give it a few minutes to really get going:) <https://youtu.be/6w-HgY8jbmc>
- Listen to Mrs. Remus read - Thankful by Eileen Spinelli - <https://youtu.be/rld4tj4x4HE>
- Listen to Mrs. Cohoon read - The Bear Says Thanks - <https://youtu.be/xHdHQdn6LJw>
- Listen to Mrs. McIntosh read- The Thankful Book by Todd Parr  
<https://youtu.be/qSOvGqkgQil>
- Listen to Mrs. McIntosh and her daughter, Alivia, read The Perfect Thanksgiving by Eileen Spinelli (you may need to turn the volume up. Alivia's voice is not as strong as mine. <https://youtu.be/Gx816bSiC8g>
- Watch as Mrs. McIntosh sings a silly song "[I Don't Want to Be a Turkey](#)" and plays the ukulele.

Vocabulary: turkey baster, basting, cornucopia, experiment, prediction, sprout, observe, thankful, ukulele