

The Eagle's Nest



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I AM THANKFUL

By Asia, gr. 4

I am thankful for my family; my brothers, my mom, my dad, and also my dog. I am thankful for my oldest brother because he is in the National Guard stationed in Georgia. I am also thankful for all my friends and everybody that takes care of me. I am also thankful for school and all the teachers that teach me. These are the things I am thankful for.

WHAT I DID IN THE TIPI



By Stefan, gr. 1

I roasted deer meat over a fire.

By Ruby, gr. 1

The best part was the food. I loved the food! It was amazing! We tried wild rice, deer meat and fish.

By Isabelle, gr. 1

We went in a tipi today. My favorite part was eating the fish and wild rice.

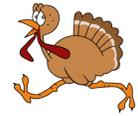
By Shiloh, gr. 1



My favorite part was when we learned about what the Native Americans used to do, and how they survived when it was a long time ago. It was really, really cool!

TURKEYS, WE'RE SORRY

By Malachi, gr. 5



Turkeys, we're so sorry
we ate you at Thanksgiving.

Turkeys, we're so sorry
we hunt you for dinner.

Turkeys, we're so sorry,
but you're really, really juicy.

Turkeys, next year maybe I'll become a vegan!

By Mara, gr. 1

My favorite part about going in the tipi was eating the deer meat. It was super good. I had three pieces!

By Conner, gr. 1

We went in a tipi today. My favorite part was when we had deer meat and fish.

THANKSGIVING FUN

By Will, gr. 4

On Thanksgiving I have lots of fun. One reason it's so fun is because I see lots of my family. This year my grandma and grandpa from Washington are coming. They are staying at my house for about a week. I also play with my cousins. It's really fun. I also like eating stuff for Thanksgiving. My favorite thing is turkey. That's my favorite part about Thanksgiving.

(After reading the book, "The Day the Crayons Quit," Tara asked her students to write three reasons why they don't think their favorite colors should quit.)

By Rosellen, gr. 2

DEAR BLUE,

I love you! I think you are a pretty color. I need you to draw the ocean and a whale. You are the most special color ever. Please don't quit!

By Aiden, gr. 3

DEAR RED,

I really need you! I need you to draw a flower. I cannot color a ball without you. I need you to be able to draw and color apples. As you can see, I really need you!

By Arabella, gr. 3

DEAR PURPLE,

I need you a lot! I need you because you are my favorite color. How will I draw a unicorn without you? How will I draw wizards without you? I really need you!

By Collin, gr. 2

DEAR GREEN,

I can't draw the grass in my pictures without you. My favorite animal is a turtle and I can't draw it. I can't draw aliens so that is why I need you!

By Lila, gr. 2

DEAR PURPLE,

I need you for coloring rainbows because you're the end of the rainbow. I need you for drawing dragons. If I do not have you for dragons I won't know what to do with you. I need you for wizards. You are my favorite color so please don't quit!



By Kate , gr. 3

DEAR BROWN,

I really need you brown. The first reason why I need you is that my hair color is brown. Without you I would have to be blond. The second reason is that my favorite pie in the world is French Silk Pie! I also wouldn't be able to have kit kats. I would freak out if I couldn't have them! So you can see why I really need you.

By Anika

DEAR BLUE,

I know you're used a lot but I still need you to color the ocean. You know I couldn't do it without you! Also the sky. I need you for everything!

By Tristan, gr. 3

DEAR GREEN,

You can't quit! You are the best color. I couldn't draw a turtle without you and I like turtles. Also, I wouldn't be able to draw green grass and trees without you. I also couldn't draw a clover on St. Patrick's Day! These three reasons are why you can't quit!

by Atley

DEAR ORANGE,

Orange, I really need you. I really need you to color the sun. I really need you because I need a pumpkin. I also really need you for pizza. Orange, I really need you, don't quit!

By Claire, gr. 3

DEAR RED VIOLET,

I really need you red violet. I can't draw my red violet clothes without you! My grapes and flowers need you too! If you quit I couldn't use you! As you can see I really, really need you red violet crayon! Please don't quit!

By Ruby, gr. 3

DEAR BLUE,

I really need you blue! I need you for coloring pools. And without you I wouldn't be able to do that! You're my favorite color. I won't be able to live without you! You're special because you're the color of diamonds. As you can see, you're really important to me.

By Jacob, gr. 2

DEAR PEACH,

I really need you for drawing the skin and baseball fields in my pictures. I also need you for the sand. You are my favorite color. Peach, please don't leave. I really, really need you!

THANKSGIVING

By Tanner, gr. 5

The Native Americans started having a celebration over 100 years ago. Tribes would come together and be thankful for what they had. They had lots of different foods like turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing, and rice. They would share lots of stuff and say what they are thankful for. We still do this tradition today and hopefully we will pass it on.



Hunting
Fun, silent,
Waiting, watching, seeing
Watching for hours
shoot

THANKSGIVING

By Chelsea, gr. 4



Thanksgiving
Colorful, fun
Running, playing, eating
Having a good time
Celebration

Fun
Happy, friendly
Playing, jumping, exciting
Playing with friends
Play



AUTUMN

By Sophia, gr. 5

Leaves are falling
Autumn is calling
Thanksgiving here
Thankful for autumn
Leaves are falling

PUMPKINS

By Khane, gr. 4

P Pie
U Unique
M Massive
P Popping
K Khane
I Important
N Nummy
S Super Orange



MY SISTER

By Alexis, gr. 3

My sister is a good sister because she always helps me when I need it. She always shares with me when I want to play with what she has. She gives me hugs and kisses when I want them. She loves me, she is the best sister!

MY DAD

By Andrew, gr. 3

My dad is a nice guy. He is awesome at throwing a football. He loves me a lot. He is good at cooking. He is an awesome person!

MY DAD

By Timothy, gr. 2

My dad is a great man! He can build and fix almost anything. He plays football with me and cooks with me, too. He is an awesome dad!

MY MOM

By Stevie, gr. 2

My mom is a wonderful person. My mom taught me how to bake cakes. My mom is very friendly with people.

MY DAD

By Mila, gr. 3

My dad is my favorite because he is funny. He lets me climb on him and we have great family days with him. He is awesome!

MY DAD

By Owen, gr. 3

My dad is a good guy! He can fix anything. He takes my fishing and plays basketball with me and football with all of us. He made a feeder and put a fence around the pasture.

MY MOM

By Parker, gr. 3

My mom is a great mom because she always makes or buys food for me. She also snuggles with me and hugs and kisses me a lot! She also likes to clean.

MY GRANDPA

By Audrina, gr. 3

My Grandpa is nice. He can fix a lot of things. Most of the time he lets me do what ever I want to do. He is fun, funny and nice and I love him very much.

MY COUSIN

By Nate, gr. 3

My cousin Aiden is a good cousin. We are only one year apart. We play video games together. We ride bikes together. Aiden is a good cousin.

MY MOM

By Patrick, gr. 3

My mom is nice because she plays chess with me. She lets me watch tv. She takes me to the park.

WHAT I AM THANKFUL FOR

By Lottie, gr. 5

I am thankful for my family because they are kind, giving and make me smile. They help me when I need helping. They cheer me up when I'm sad. That is really all I need to have. I'm also very thankful for my teachers at school, my dance teachers, my parents, my aunts, my uncles, my grandparents and my peers. They help me learn about many different things. Learning is something anyone can do and I'm glad that I have so many people who help me do that.



CHRISTMAS DAY

By Mara, gr. 4

I like all holidays, but the one I like the most is Christmas. Not just because of the presents, even though I like them, it's not why. I like the cookies and hot cocoa because they make me happy. I also like that we get together with our family. I enjoy playing with my cousins. The big thing is setting up the Christmas tree. I like to set it up and put the ornaments on the tree. The best thing about putting up the tree is we get to make our very own ornaments. I like to get new pj's and try them on. I get snowflakes on mine. That's why I love Christmas.



THE HOLIDAYS

By Logan, gr. 5

The Christmas holiday is my favorite time of the year. I love to look at lights on the houses and hear the music turned on. I also like Christmas songs, it gets me in a Christmas spirit. Getting up and wondering what we will get and spending time with my family, I will always love these memories.

MY AUNT

By Nealie, gr. 3

My Aunt is a wonderful person. My Aunt is very friendly. She teaches me how to make potato salad. She goes swimming with me. She is an awesome person.

(Kindergarten students were asked to finish this prompt, If I were President, I would...)



Archer: Watch TV sometimes and play Legos.

Armani: Keep people safe.

Bentley: Play basketball and help others.

Devin: Walk and find treasures.

Ellie: Be kind.

Eloise: Read books to myself.

Esther: Help people in my office.

Faith: Ride my bike sometimes and be kind to others.

Grace: Read books to kids.

Grady: Harvest corn and beans, and then sell them.

Henrik: Tale a plane to the White House.

Ian: Get people books.

Kyler: Play basketball.

Liam: Read books to other people.

Maddy: Play with blocks.

Maverick: Run away from fire, and put it out.

Mishick: Tell Teddy Bears what to do.

Olive: Be kind to everyone.

Quinnly: Go outside.

Rylan: Keep people safe and be helpful.

Skylar: Share with others.

Sophia: Be kind to others.

Timmy: Play with Legos.

William: Take a spaceship around the world.

I AM THANKFUL FOR

By Iah, gr. 3

Thanksgiving—whoohoo
Turkey—very good
Stuffing—it's goooood
Pumpkin Pie—yummy

A THANKSGIVING POEM

By Meredith, gr. 5

The leaves fall,
The trees sway
All different colors
Fill the sky
The smell of
Turkey fills your house
Apples dipped in caramel
With your family
At a house
A thanks for
One, two, three
And more
Greetings for all
A Thanksgiving
Poem for all.

THE HOLIDAYS

By Kyler, gr. 4



I like all holidays but Christmas is my favorite one. Just imagine it all warm and cozy like ten million cats jumped right on your body. Also, the tasty, savory, sweet hot chocolate so warm and tasty. Along with that a side of savory, sweet, buttery, warm gingerbread cookies. I also like hanging up ornaments. I don't know why but I love it so much. Also, I like things in the cold. I like sledding, it's so fun especially when you fall off and jump snow banks.



TURKEY

By Damian, gr. 4

Turkey
Big, feathery
Annoying, pecking, gobbling
Running all around
Bird

MY SISTER

By Erin, gr. 3

My sister is sweet. She helps me when I get hurt. My sister has her driver's license. She plays games with me.



MY GRANDPA

By Lillian, gr. 3

My grandpa is special. My grandpa has had lots of surgeries. He uses something that helps him walk. My grandpa knows a lot of people because he owns the restaurant, Bashers.

MY FAVORITE HOLIDAY

By Willie, gr. 5

I like all the holidays but the one that I like the most is Halloween. The first thing I like about it is seeing all the different decorations and costumes. The second thing is seeing and getting scared. The third reason is getting full sized candy bars. There's just something about them that is more special than buying the candy bars. The last reason is trading at the end. I always try to get all the snickers and one of my sisters tries getting all the kit-kats and my other sister tries getting all the heath bars. Those are the reasons Halloween is my favorite holiday.



MY FAVORITE HOLIDAY

By Aubrey, gr. 4

I love all the holidays very much, but some are more special. Christmas is my favorite because I get to spend time with my family and friends. Being with everyone reminds me how special I am and how special I am to everyone else. The reason I feel special is because of all the presents I get. I also like all the traditions that we do like making sugar cookies on Christmas Eve because it reminds me of my great grandma. She was very special, too!

HOLIDAYS

By Claire, gr. 4

Holidays are great but in my opinion Christmas is the best. The first thing people usually think when you say Christmas is presents. But the first thing I think of is cousins. Besides school, I really have no one to play with. Yes, I have three sisters and one brother, but all of them are teenagers, except Ellie, she's 20. And when they don't have so much homework, they sit on their computers for five hours.



CHRISTMAS

By Cameron, gr. 4

I love Christmas because I get to see what I get. Almost every year I go to my grandma's house. I love to unwrap my presents.



CHRISTMAS TIME

By Skylar, gr. 5

There are many holidays that are fun. Some people think that Christmas is cool because of the gifts and new things, but I think differently. When I think about Christmas, it is more than gifts. What about looking at some houses that are all decorated with lights? Playing in the snow or going sledding with your family and friends. Every Christmas morning my family wakes up and opens gifts and then we make some really tasty cinnamon rolls! I also get to be with my family. I just loves Christmas time so much. I hope you don't love just the gifts, but much more.



MY FAVORITE HOLIDAY

By Bella, gr. 5

My favorite holiday is Thanksgiving for more reasons than just the food. Of course I love the turkey, ham, mashed potatoes and pumpkin pie, too. And seeing my family again is great, but I love all the traditions we have. I like it when everyone does stuff together. The men watch football, the kids run and play and the girls go upstairs and talk. All of those are great but my favorite tradition is putting on plays. After everyone has eaten the kids put on a play. Sometimes it's a serious play about the first Thanksgiving but sometimes it's a funny play like, "Who Stole the Pumpkin Pie?" But no matter what, we always put on a Thanksgiving play. We use lots of props from down stairs.

Dear Families,

I am struck once again at the speed at which the school year goes by. It feels more like early October to me, especially with the mild weather. It looks like winter is really coming so please be sure to get out the winter clothes. Let us know if you are in need of any winter gear. We do have many generous people who would love to give to families in need.

However you spend the Thanksgiving holiday, I hope that it is a special time for your family. I know I feel grateful every day to work with your children and with the Nerstrand staff. I hope that all is well with you and your loved ones.

In this addition of the Eagle's Nest there are some great Thanksgiving poems & stories written by students. Below is another one written by an unknown author.

Thanksgiving

The year has turned its circle,
The seasons come and go.
The harvest is all gathered in
And chilly north winds blow.
Orchards have shared their treasures,
The fields, their yellow grain.
So open wide the doorway-
Thanksgiving comes again!

Happy Thanksgiving to all of our families!

Best,

Maggie Kiley