

Separating Fact from Fiction: Online Resources about Native Americans and Early Colonists

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True story of Thanksgiving

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/richard-greener/the-true-story-of-thanksg_b_788436.html

The true description of Thanksgiving, and some NA context.

<http://channel.nationalgeographic.com/saints-and-strangers/articles/the-true-story-of-thanksgiving/>

Based on the series “Saints and Strangers,” but comments say that it is not true, and the stereotypical clothing in the picture bothers me. Why talk about wrong images when you add one yourself, National Geographic. Teachers need to point this out: Pilgrims did not wear this clothing. They dressed in colorful clothing and only wore darker clothing to church.

<http://mayflowerhistory.com/pilgrim-history/>

A selection of links to authentic information on Thanksgiving.

<https://www.gilderlehrman.org/history-by-era/early-settlements/resources/pilgrims-mayflower-compact-and-thanksgiving>

True story of Thanksgiving

<http://mayflowerhistory.com/girls>

Girls on the Mayflower

<https://illinois.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/americanexperience27p-soc-compact/wgbh-americanexperience-the-pilgrims-mayflower-compact/#.WUkLBhPyt2Y>

Mayflower Compact true story

<https://indiancountrymedianetwork.com/news/the-wampanoag-side-of-the-first-thanksgiving-story/>

Native American story of Thanksgiving

Pilgrims

<https://www.plimoth.org/learn/just-kids/homework-help/who-were-pilgrims>

Who were the Pilgrims?

www.history.com/topics/mayflower

General information on Pilgrims

<http://mayflowerhistory.com/women>

Pilgrim women

<http://www.history.com/topics/mayflower/videos/pilgrims-in-america>

Video of Pilgrims

<https://www.plimoth.org/what-see-do/17th-century-english-village>

17th century village

The Wampanoag

<http://mayflowerhistory.com/wampanoag>

Wampanoag culture

<http://mayflowerhistory.com/tisquantum>

Squanto

http://www.educationworld.com/a_lesson/Four-Wampanoag-Folktales-for-the-Classroom.shtml

Wampanoag Folktales for reading

<http://www.onlytribal.com/wampanoag-indian-tribe.asp>

Who are the Wampanoag?

Native American viewpoint of Thanksgiving

<https://thebolditalic.com/what-native-americans-want-you-to-know-on-thanksgiving-the-bold-italic-san-francisco-de896408ca5d>

Native American viewpoint of Thanksgiving

http://www.alternet.org/story/4391/thanksgiving%3A_a_native_american_view

Native american viewpoint of Thanksgiving

<http://blog.nmai.si.edu/main/2013/11/do-indians-celebrate-thanksgiving.html>

Do Native Americans celebrate Thanksgiving?

<http://www.salon.com/2016/11/23/thanksgiving-a-day-of-mourning-for-native-americans/>

Native Americans mourn on Thanksgiving

<http://www.nytimes.com/2003/11/26/us/on-education-pilgrims-no-thanks-in-mohawk-country.html>

Description of what is taught to Mohawks for Thanksgiving.

Authentic Pilgrim and Wampanoag behaviors

<https://www.plimoth.org/learn/just-kids/homework-help/childs-role>

The roles of Pilgrim children and Wampanoag children

<https://www.plimoth.org/learn/just-kids/talk-pilgrim>

How to talk like a Pilgrim

How did Pilgrims and Wampanoag dress?

http://www.scholastic.com/scholastic_thanksgiving/daily_life/clothes.htm

Photos of clothing of both Pilgrim boys and girls and Wampanoag boys and girls

<http://mayflowerhistory.com/clothing/>

How Pilgrims really dressed

<https://www.plimoth.org/learn/just-kids/homework-help/what-wear>

How both NA and Pilgrim children dressed

<https://www.sail1620.org/articles/pilgrim-clothing>

Another description of how Pilgrims and Wampanoag dressed



The Mayflower

http://www.scholastic.com/scholastic_thanksgiving/voyage/

Tour the ship and take the voyage

<http://www.history.com/topics/mayflower>

Background on Mayflower

<http://mayflowerhistory.com/voyage/>

Story of the voyage

<http://www.plimoth.org/learn/just-kids/homework-help/mayflower-and-mayflower-compact>

Story of voyage and Compact

<https://www.landofthebrave.info/mayflower-ship.htm>

Facts about the Mayflower

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/Mayflower-ship>

Encyclopedia story

<http://www.history.com/topics/mayflower-compact/videos/deconstructing-history-mayflower>

Mayflower video



The Mayflower Compact

<http://www.plimoth.org/learn/just-kids/homework-help/mayflower-and-mayflower-compact>

Story of Compact

<http://www.history.com/topics/mayflower-compact>

Background of Compact

http://www.pilgrimhallmuseum.org/mayflower_compact_text.htm

Text of the Mayflower Compact

<https://www.landofthebrave.info/mayflower-compact.htm>

Facts on the Compact

<http://mayflowerhistory.com/mayflower-compact/>

History, text, and signers

Interactive Activity

<https://www.plimoth.org/learn/MRL/interact/thanksgiving-interactive-you-are-historian>

Excellent interactive activity! Children play the roles of a Pilgrim daughter and Wampanoag son and learn what really happened at Thanksgiving.

Art activities:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JBOMwSLT2Ko>

<http://www.makinglearningfun.com/themepages/ThanksgivingPeopleStickPuppets.htm>

More authentic Pilgrim cutouts

<http://www.raisingarizonakids.com/2012/11/make-a-mayflower/>

Mayflower activity

<https://www.education.com/worksheets/thanksgiving/>

Printables. Some are authentic.

<http://www.todayifoundout.com/index.php/2010/11/10-thanksgiving-myths-dispelled/>

Thanksgiving myths debunked

<http://www.nea.org/tools/lessons/thanksgiving-ideas-for-the-classroom.html>

NEA Thanksgiving resources

Food

http://www.scholastic.com/scholastic_thanksgiving/feast/

Slideshow of what first Thanksgiving looked like

<http://www.oomphify.com/eat-like-the-pilgrims-7-authentic-colonial-thanksgiving-recipes/>

Food

<http://www.epicurious.com/holidays-events/the-real-story-of-the-first-thanksgiving-menu-recipes-article>

Food

<http://www.npr.org/sections/thesalt/2014/11/26/366803056/the-native-american-side-of-the-thanksgiving-menu>

<http://channel.nationalgeographic.com/saints-and-strangers/articles/what-they-ate-on-the-first-thanksgiving/>

Food

<http://www.powwows.com/the-real-thanksgiving-foods/>

Thanksgiving food

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Genealogy

<https://www.plimoth.org/learn/just-kids/plimoth-patuxet-ancestors#children>

Was your ancestor on the Mayflower? Mine was. He was also a teacher, tutor to the Winslow children. He signed the Compact. His name was George Soule.

<https://www.plimoth.org/learn/just-kids/plimoth-patuxet-ancestors>

Genealogy

Touring Plimouth and Mayflower

<https://www.plimoth.org/learn/just-kids/thanksgiving-virtual-field-trip>

Video tours of Plimouth and a Wampanoag village,

<https://www.gilderlehrman.org/history-by-era/early-settlements/resources/pilgrims-mayflower-compact-and-thanksgiving>

An interactive tour of the Mayflower

Primary sources:

<http://mayflowerhistory.com/primary-sources-and-books/>

Primary sources

<http://mayflowerhistory.com/thanksgiving>

Primary sources

http://www.scholastic.com/scholastic_thanksgiving/letters.htm

NOT primary sources but historical fiction

Videos:

<https://www.teachervision.com/thanksgiving/history-thanksgiving>

http://www.scholastic.com/scholastic_thanksgiving/

Videos of the lives of the Pilgrims and Wampanoag and teacher activities to teach them.

Additional Online Native American Resources:

<http://www.history.org/history/teaching/enewsletter/volume2/november03/techtips.cfm>

List of teaching resources on teaching about first contact between indigenous and Europeans

http://www.ballard-tighe.com/eaweb/InteractiveOnline/activities/ea1_2.swf (?)

Eastern Woodland game. Questionable. Lifestyle correct, actions questionable, bird noise annoying

http://www.smithsonianeducation.org/educators/resource_library/american_indian_resources.html

Excellent site with many teacher resources

<http://contemporarynativeartists.tumblr.com/>

Biographies of contemporary Native American artists

<http://www.scholastic.com/teachers/unit/native-americans-everything-you-need>

Information on culture

<http://docsteach.org/home/native-americans>

Original documents on Native American history

<http://www.nga.gov/content/ngaweb/education/teachers/teaching-packets/american-woodland-indians.html>

Eastern Woodland art

<https://www.teachervision.com/native-american-heritage-month/teacher-resources/6648.html>

Variety of resources

<http://www.pbs.org/edens/yellowstone/teach2.html>

Native Americans of Yellowstone

<http://nativeamericans.mrdonn.org/stories/index.html>

Native American stories

<http://lenapeprograms.info/when-the-shadbush-blooms/activities-page/>

Culture of Lenape

<http://lenapeprograms.info/book-list/>

Book reading list

<http://heard.org/education/teacherresources/>

Heard Museum resources

<http://www.arizonahistoricalsociety.org/education/esperanza/native/resources/>

Arizona Historical Society resources

<http://www.mrswatersenglish.com/2014/11/oklahoma-native-american-day-teacher-resources-for-middle-school/>

List of resources covering multiple cultures

<http://www.smithsoniansource.org/display/topic/viewdetailshis.aspx?TopicId=1005>

Smithsonian resources

<http://www.firstpeople.us/>

Canadian First Nations

<http://crln.acrl.org/content/71/8/430.full>

List of resources in North America

<http://www.native-languages.org/kids.htm>

Links for kids

<http://www.webwinds.com/friends/bknative.htm>

Canadian Iroquois Resources

National Indian Education Association Resource Repository

www.neia-resourcerepository.org

Evaluating American Indian Materials and Resources for the Classroom

www.opi.mt.gov/pdf/indianed/Resources/EvalAmindianMaterials.pdf

Native American Center for Excellence: Substance Abuse Prevention (for older grades)

<https://safesupportivelearning.ed.gov/resources/native-american-center-excellence-nace>

Native Americans

www.Educationworld.com/a_special/native_americans.shtml

Native American Stories, Myths, and Legends for Kids

www.Nativeamericans.mrdonn.org

How the Mice Beat the Men (online storybook – Free 14 day trial)

<https://www.readinga-z.com/book-php/?id=106>

Lewis and Clark – Journey of Discovery

<https://www.nps.gov/jeff/learn/historyculture/the-lewis-and-clark-journey-of-discover.htm>

Evolution: Indian Hunter (realistic teaching game/simulation for learning about Native American hunting practices)

App for Android and Apple; Free

Raid on Deerfield: The Many Stories of 1704 (Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association)
1704.deerfield.history.museum

Native American Facts for Kids – Native Languages
www.native-languages.org

The Ancestral Pueblo People (Bandolier National Monument – NM)
www.nps.gov/band/learn/historyculture/ancestral-pueblo-people.htm

American Indian Heritage Teaching Resources
www.smithsonianeducation.org/educators

Native Web Resources K-12
www.nativeweb.org/resources/education_and_youth_resources/k-12/

Native Tech: Native American Technology and Art
www.nativetech.org

Legends of America: Ancient Puebloans of the Southwest
www.legendsofamerica.com/na-ancientpuebloans.html

Wounded Knee Museum
www.woundedkneemuseum.org

Techniques for Evaluating American Indian Web Sites
www.u.arizona.edu

Ojibway: App for Android – Learn the language and facts about the Ojibway
Google Play Store - FREE

Ancient Pueblo Culture (Utah Division of State History)
llovehistory.utah.gov/people/first_peoples/index.html

American Indian Studies Center (UCLA)
www.aisc.ucla.edu

The Kumeyaay History (California)
www.kumeyaay.info

PowWow Loops (Powwow music and sound samples)
www.looperman.com/loops/tags/royalty-free-powwow-loops-samples-sounds-wavs-download

Interactive Online Native American Activities
www.ballard-tighe.com/explore/explore-america/interactive-activities

Star Quilt (art program for designing and making historical quilts; for iPhone and iPad)
At the Apple Store

Native Voices: National Library of Medicine (contemporary, first person accounts of health and life)
<https://www.nlm.nih.gov/nativevoices>

Sand Art (Native art app for Android and Apple)
Available at Google Play and the Apple App Store