<u>Reading</u> – read the article to yourself and then aloud. Try not to insert filler words such as "um", "ah," "like". Our goal is to reduce filler words in everyday conversation.

Thanksgiving, a cherished holiday, traces its roots to a 1621 feast between Pilgrims and Native Americans. Today, it's celebrated annually on the fourth Thursday in November in the United States. Families gather to share a bountiful meal featuring roast turkey, stuffing, and pumpkin pie. Beyond the U.S., countries like Canada, St. Lucia, and Liberia also observe similar festivities, making it a day for global reflection and unity.

Presidential Pardons add a touch of humor to the holiday. Every year the President of the United States pardons a turkey, sparing it from becoming Thanksgiving dinner. This light-hearted tradition has historical roots, dating back to President Lincoln sparing a turkey his son had befriended. Another quirk of the holiday is the association with parades and football, with many Americans kicking off Thanksgiving Day by watching the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City or enjoying a game of football. These events have become integral to the holiday experience.

<u>Writing, spelling, & recall</u> – Please read the questions and write the answers. You can refer to the article for help with recall and spelling as needed.

1. What is the historical origin of Thanksgiving?

2. How do families typically celebrate Thanksgiving?

3. Besides the U.S., which countries celebrate Thanksgiving?

4. What does the president pardon every year on Thanksgiving?

5. What do many people watch on T.V. on Thanksgiving?

<u>Sentence Completion & Naming to Description</u> – Please write the answer

1. The main dish on Thanksgiving is the _____.

2. Pilgrims and Native _____ came together in 1621 to have a feast.

3. On Thanksgiving, many people turn on the T.V. to watch the Macy's Thanksgiving Day _____.

4. Thanksgiving is celebrated annually on the fourth Thursday in _____.

5. Name the country directly north of the U.S. that also celebrates Thanksgiving: _____.

* <u>Word fluency challenge</u> – Can you think of dishes served at Thanksgiving? Think of entrees, sauces, side dishes, and desserts. Try to name10-15.

You can use the internet to help with word-finding by typing the first letter(s) into Google or Bing.

You can also describe what you are thinking using Alexa, the microphone feature on a search engine, Bing chat, or openai.com.

Speech care at home

<u>Phonological Components Analysis</u> – Please answer the following questions about the picture.

- What is this a picture of? _____
- What sound does the word start with?
- What are other words that begin with the same sound_____

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- What sound does the word end with?
- How many syllables are in the word? _____
- What words rhyme with the pictured item?

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Semantic Feature Analysis

What is it used for?	What does it look like?
Where do you find it?	**What does it remind you of?**
What does it do?	**What category does it fall under?**

What is the item? _____