

Color the Turkey (Thanksgiving)

Print out the turkey (without color) and put clear contact paper on both sides.

Put the turkey on the wall. Divide the class into two teams. Give each team a different color of non-permanent transparency marker (for example, green and orange. Ask a review question. The child who stands and gives the correct answer gets to come and color one feather with his team's color. Continue to ask questions. When all the feathers are colored, count to see which team colored the most feathers and announce the winner!

Variation: For smaller children, you can also use this for a motivation for good behavior. Print out enough colorless turkeys for each table of students (be sure to put contact paper on both sides). At the beginning of class, tell the children that turkeys need colored feathers to be beautiful. Watch their behavior during the class. From time to time, praise a child for good behavior and allow him to color one of the feathers on his table. At the end of class, allow all the children who had good behavior to color a feather. See which table has the most beautiful looking turkey!

Warning: After class, be sure to clean the marker off the turkeys (using a wet cloth). If you store them for a long time with color on them, they may not come clean.

