

# THANKSGIVING: THEN & NOW

*Did you know that in Colonial times children ate with their hands? Follow your teacher's instructions to create a booklet that compares a typical Thanksgiving meal now to the mealtime customs of the 17th century—but don't try standing at the table at home!*

## ✂️ CLIP 'N' PASTE FACTS

People ate with spoons, knives, and their fingers. They did not use forks.

There were very few chairs, so children usually stood while eating.

People used large napkins, hung over their shoulders, to wipe their hands and grab hot foods.

One cup was passed around the table, and everyone took a drink from it.

Today, we:

In the 21st century, we:

Now, we:

Today, we:

