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## Feathers of Thanks

Here is a simple idea to promote a meaningful discussion on thankfulness.

You will need to draw an outline of a turkey for this activity. It should be on construction paper that you can pin to the wall when the activity is complete.

*(Note: Draw a very BASIC looking turkey consisting of a big circle for the body, a neck, head with a beak, and two little feet at the bottom. This is not the time to be a perfectionist about how your bird looks, because you are going to cover it up with feathers anyway).*

You will also need to precut some "feathers" about the size of a normal gift tag that you can write on before sticking onto the "turkey".

Glue/tape will also be needed to stick the feathers onto the "turkey", and pins to attach the completed picture to the wall.

Discuss the meaning of "thankfulness" with your class, ask each child to write down one thing that they are thankful for on a separate "feather".

Once the children have their "Feathers of Thanks" prepared, you can play a game of "pin the feather on the turkey" and blindfold the children, spin them a few times, and have them try to stick their feather on the turkey. The children can keep playing, as long as they continue to produce thoughtful, "feathers of thanks".

