

Thankful

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Able to HEAR the chirping of birds in the early spring. The sounds of laughter; the voices and music all around me.

Able to TALK and enjoy conversations with all I meet.

Able to WALK to do everyday chores. To walk and exercise whenever I choose.

Having a healthy heart, mind and attitude. I am richer than the rich and feel truly blessed. Lord, I thank you.

Navi Helton, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — My family and me are thankful for the world. I am thankful for the Army. OK I am done.

Liz Marshall, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: My baby sister is strong and healthy. My country to be free. My Grandma and Grandpa and cousins. My relatives that died in the Military. The juicy Thanksgiving turkey. I hope we win the war; I hope they survive. I hope the animals in the animal shelter get a great home. My family and my pets and my friends. My teacher because she teaches me.

Brett Pirak, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: A safe place to live and food, and relatives, my family, juicy turkey, friends. I am thankful for the good harvest, my two loving brothers, my Grandpa and Grandma. I am thankful for going to Boston and seeing family and this is what I am thankful for this Thanksgiving.

Lily Hunsley, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: My family, and food, and water. The people that have served our Country. My three dogs. Myself. My house. My school. My mom after her accident. My brother after his accident. My teacher. The President.

Nathan Quatier, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: My cousin Garrett because he was in a car accident. I am thankful for my mom, dad and relatives. Friends. My dad served in the National Guard. Thankful for the military. Thankful for shelter. And for the fun stuff. I am most thankful for taking care of me. And having me. And I am thankful for my cousins. And my Grandma and Grandpa. Thank you for all that!

Bryce John Backer, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: My relatives and most of all the army and the word war 2 and my friends. My cousins my dog my grandpa Jake Grandma Ellie. My teacher. Food. My shelter. My class room. My grade. I'm alive. My sister is still alive. My relatives are still alive.

Fisher Bartos, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: A juicy turkey. My great uncle is for Boogie Vochra. A new house with more room.

Emma Logan, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: My family and my house because it almost stayed on fire. I am thankful for food and for my home and for my pets that live in my back yard. And my mom because she almost broke her back and now she can barely move. I feel bad for her and last night she barely can get into her chair. I feel bad and I am thankful for my brother because he's a healthy baby. I am happy and wait — I am most thankful for my sisters because they help me and I feel special when they help me. My Grandma helps me to and her name is Sandy. Some times we call her K. But it is OK because she's a fun Grandma and mom.

Trinity Crane, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for my baby sister to stay healthy and stay healthy for my sister can live and get a lots a energy for she can live and breathe air and water and food. It makes you healthy.

Reece Proefrock, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: A free country and for my mom's cousin Jeremiah in the military and for my family for the navy and for the great harvest this year.

Xavier Stilwell, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: A good teacher and for a good family and for book and home and food.

McKena Novak, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: My brother, friends, mom, dad, cousins, Grandma, military.

Kenna Jensen, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: My family and I are proud to be protected by the military. We are thankful for the wonderful harvest.

Tayah Staton, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: my family and my relatives. I'm most thankful for my white horse. I am really thankful that he did not get put down. I am thankful for food and water and a warm house and loving Parents and uncles and aunts.

Jactyn Hubbard, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — My family is thankful for food. I am thankful that my dog is alive. I'm thankful that my Grandma is alive. I thankful that we have water. I thankful that we have people. I thankful for everyone and Be thankful it is good.

Madison Fairley, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: my family and brother and my school and my Mom and my Dad and Grandpa and friends and pets and my pigs and my cat.

Derek, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: relatives, my family, good food, a juicy turkey, a good harvest, my country.

Andrew Gustad, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: food, relatives, my family, free

country, for our world. I am being warm thank you for energy and thank you for the country, and thank you for cousins. I am so thankful.

Molly Larson, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: family, friends, school, toys, free country, food, drinks, shelter, campers, animals, money, beds, homework, shops, mall, candy, love, clothes. I am thankful for safe things like roads. I am thankful for the veterans. I am thankful for god and others. Birthday parties. I am thankful for Christmas. I am thankful summer. I am thankful for babies.

George Cutts, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: juicy turkey, my friends, good food, my family and I are proud to be protected by the military. We are thankful for a good harvest. We are thankful that we got the two Ben up safely.

Alicia Westegaard, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: my family and I am proud to be protected by the military. We are thankful for the wonderful harvest.

Brody Huether, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: my family and my cousins and I am thankful for the army and my brother and my sister.

Kyle Hirsch, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: relatives, for my family, free country. Thank you for my brother Garrett Hirsch. Thank you for my county. Thank you for the wonderful harvest. Thank you for juicy turkey.

John Nelson, Gayville-Volin, Second Grade — I am most thankful for: my family and friends. Also for the great harvest and those who died for the flag, for the free country. Also for those who provide food and water. Also for those who protect us and those who take care of us. Always have a Great Thanksgiving.

Gayville-Volin Kindergartens are thankful for ...:

I am thankful for my friends, parents, and teachers. I am thankful for people who can't do the monkey bars. I am thankful for God and the Flag of the United States of America and for clowns. — Aryan Shenton (5)

I am thankful for turkeys, giraffes, Chuck E Cheese, chicken, mom, dad, Maxson, Quincey, popples, polar bears, balloons, candy, bears, acorns, presents, apples, tomatoes, French fries, pumpkins, corn, crayons, markers, food, frogs, rainbows, houses, elephants, goldfish, Native Americans, dogs, Disneyland, spiders, broccoli, and lemonade. — Madigyn Dorris (6)

I am thankful for my little brother Nate, my sisters Abby and Molly. I am thankful for my parents and my dog Daisy. I am thankful for my Grandpas and Grandmas and my uncle Robbie. I am thankful I am safe. I am thankful for not living in the old days cuz they didn't have much toys. — Keeley Larson (5)

I am thankful for the turkey. I am thankful for my house and family. I am thankful to have a place to make food and I am thankful for my kitty. — Elias Bartos (5)

I am thankful for my three brothers, mom, dad, and my dog Lady. I am thankful for food. I am thankful for having Christmas, clothes, toys, bunk beds, friends, school, reading, Thanksgiving, Halloween, Hannah Montana, and Reading Buddies. — Krista Jorgensen (5)

I am thankful for my dad, my mom, my brothers, and my dog. — Autumn Wells (5)

I'm thankful for helping people. I'm thankful for nice teachers at school and for my books. — Paige Westergren (5)

I am thankful for Zu Zu pets, Christmas, PE shoes, presents, recess, my sister, Hannah Montana, Reading buddies, and Disney World. — Andrea Miller (5)

I am thankful for my mom, my dad, my big sister, my little sister, and my friends at school. — Ellie Williams (5)

I am thankful for my family and for my house to live in. I am thankful for my friends that play with me. I am thankful for my teachers that help me learn. — Evan Frazier (5)

Reanna Greninger, Third Grade, Wynot Public Schools:

I am thankful for the sailors because they fought for our country. I am also thankful for my state because it rocks. I am always thankful for Jesus because he died for us. I am thankful for my family because they love me. I am thankful for my pets because I love them. I am thankful for my teachers because they are nice.

Garrett Lange, Third Grade,



Wynot Public Schools:

I am thankful for food because it keeps me from starving. I am also thankful for my parents because they help me when I need it. Another thing I am thankful for are my teachers because they help me learn. I was always thankful for the soldiers because they freed me from slavery. Also I am thankful for books because they help you learn. I am thankful very much for trees because they make carbon dioxide.

Cole Steffensen, Third Grade, Wynot Public Schools:

I am thankful for soldiers because they fight for America. I am thankful for America because it is free. I am thankful for the Statue of Liberty because it stands for freedom. I am thankful for my country.

Peyton Wieseler, Third Grade, Wynot Public Schools:

I am thankful for my friends because they play with me and help me out. I am thankful for all my teachers because they help me learn and others too. I love my family because they do everything for me and they do stuff for others. I am thankful for the soldiers. I am thankful for the CCD teachers. I am thankful for everything.

John Lauer, Third Grade, Wynot Public Schools:

I am thankful for my mom because she feeds me. I am also thankful for my dad because she gives me a home to live in. It's cool to have a heater in the winter so you don't get cold. I am thankful for God, so don't get ungrateful.

Autumn Lawson, Third Grade, Wynot Public Schools:

I am thankful for my family because they feed me every night. They help me with homework. I like when my older sisters play hide-and-seek. They always scare me when they are it. My little sister always asks me to play Barbie's. I love my family because they love me.

Trystan Heimes, Third Grade, Wynot Public Schools:

I am thankful for my family, because they take care of me. I am also thankful for my friends, because they play with me. I am also thankful for teachers because they teach us. I am also thankful for the soldiers fighting for us. I am also thankful for the teachers at CCD because they teach us good things. I am also thankful for God, because he made the Earth.

April Folkers, Third Grade, Wynot Public Schools:

I am thankful for my family because they care. I am thankful for my friends because they like me. I'm thankful for God because he created the earth. I'm thankful for clothes, they keep us warm. I'm thankful for school because it teaches me. I'm thankful for trees, they help us breathe.

Owen Sudbeck, Third Grade, Wynot Public Schools:

I am thankful for the soldiers because they fight for our country. I am also thankful for my family and friends because they help me when I am hurt. I am especially thankful for our freedom. Most of all I am thankful for Jesus because he died on the cross for us. I am thankful for Martin Luther King Jr. because he made black and white people be treated fairly. I am thankful for shelter because it protects us from storms.

These are the things that Mrs. Beach's First Grade Class in Vermillion are thankful for ...

Dagen Cottam — I am thankful for my brain. I am thankful for my brain because I can think.

Joseph Rocha — I am thankful for my dad. I am thankful for my dog. I am thankful for my friends.

Kaurie Lucas — I am thankful for my home. I am thankful for my home because I don't get sick.

my farm. I am thankful for my Toro. I am thankful for my rope. That is all I am thankful for. — By Dillon

I am thankful for a lot of things. I am thankful for sun. I am thankful for my teacher. I am thankful for a friend. I am thankful for a TV. I am thankful for my dad and mom. I am thankful for a dog and my cats. I am thankful for my house. I am thankful for clothes. I am thankful for a family. I am thankful for friends. I love myself. I am thankful. — By Brie

What are you thankful for? I am thankful for you. I am thankful for my brother. I am thankful for my state. I am thankful for myself. I am thankful for my life. I am thankful for my family. That's what I am thankful for! — By Morgan

What are you thankful for? I like ice cream. I love my dad. I love my mom. I'm happy I have a dog. On Thanksgiving I will see my sister. — By Zara

Are you thankful for something? I am thankful for toys. I am thankful for a house. I am thankful for food. That's what I am thankful for. — By Eliana

What are you thankful for? I am thankful for my family. I am thankful for my friends. I am thankful for my teachers. I am thankful for the Pilgrims. I am thankful for my cat. I am thankful for school. I am thankful for everyone. — By Jeremy

What are you thankful for? I am thankful for food and for my soul and for my family and for my toys and for the world. I am thankful for my home. — By Johnny

I am thankful for a lot of things. I am thankful for my life. I am thankful for my house. I am thankful for my clothes and my brother. I am thankful for dogs. I am thankful for everything. — By Ian

I am thankful for a lot of things. I am thankful for my home. I am thankful we have food to share. I am thankful for my life. I am thankful for my family. I am thankful for my school. I am thankful for my mom. I am thankful for my dad. I am thankful for the United States of America. What are you thankful for? — By Jeffrey

I am thankful for a lot of things. I am glad I have shelter. Do you have shelter? Yes! I am thankful for my family. You are lucky you stuff to be thankful for. — By Aminah

What are you thankful for? I am thankful for my family. I am thankful for my home. I'm glad for my school. I'm thankful for my friends. That's what I'm thankful for. — By Jayci

I am thankful for a lot of things. I am thankful for my friends. I am thankful for my mom. I am thankful for my dad. I am thankful for my family. I hope our country is safe. — By Cayden

Everybody is thankful. I'm thankful for everybody in the state. I am happy for my car. I am happy for my family. I am happy for me. I am happy! — By Landyn

Are you thankful for something? I'm glad I'm alive and I have a family! I'm glad I have a house! That's what I'm thankful for. — By Nora

What are you thankful for? I'm

thankful for my family. I'm thankful for my life. I'm happy for my teacher. I'm thankful for you. I'm thankful for my food. I love Thanksgiving! — By Isis

I am thankful for a lot of things. I am thankful for my mom. I am thankful for my daddy. I am thankful for my dogs. I am thankful for my sisters. I love my family. — By Courtnee

I am thankful for a lot of things. I'm thankful for my life. I am thankful for my home. I am thankful for my dogs. I am thankful for my sisters. I am thankful for my mom. I am thankful for my friends. I am thankful for my dad. — By Kiona

What are you thankful for? I'm thankful for my dad and my mom. I'm also thankful for my teachers too. I'm also thankful for the Broncos. They're all the best! I'm also thankful for my grandpa and my grandma and my brother. — By Trevor

Are you thankful for something? I'm thankful to have God taking care of the world. I'm thankful that I have a family to care about me and my big brother. I'm thankful that God made people in this world to be friends for everybody to have. I'm thankful for my whole family. — By Eliza

I am thankful for my family and I love them with all my heart. I am thankful for having a good life. I am thankful for the President of the U.S. — By Dar'Shaun

I am thankful for my grandpa. I am thankful for my kitten because she likes to play. I am thankful for school, teachers and learning. — By Brooklyn

Mrs. Wagner's Kindergarten students from Lincoln Elementary School tell what they are thankful for. Thanksgiving is a time to be thankful!

Cooper is thankful for birthdays. "My birthday is November 21st."

Dylan is thankful for his dog. "He always plays with me. My dog's name is Jesse."

Austin is thankful the whole wide world. "My world is safe."

Baylee is thankful for her mom. "I love my Mom!"

Braeden is thankful for his family. "My sister is nice to me! She helps me write my name."

Hunter is thankful for donuts. "I like the sprinkles on top!"

Jade is thankful for her teacher. "My teacher is nice. She makes school fun!"

Taten is thankful for his dog. "My dog's name is Jade."

Landon is thankful for his football. "My brother plays football with me!"

Isabelle is thankful for books. "My favorite book is "Skeleton Hiccups". I can read it all by myself. It's a really funny book."

Lily is thankful for her cousins. "I miss them. They like to play with me."

Alexis is thankful for the earth.

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