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Too Much Turkey

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If Jamie's stomach had a "empty to full meter" it would have exploded. Everyone was is feeling the same way. They were all ready to go to bed, with their stomachs, not only filled with food, but filled with thanks. As the children slump upstairs to watch a Thanksgiving movie, Jamie's mind was somewhere else; when's dinner? he thought. Then he realize, as he stare at the mountain of food... we already ate!!!

When it comes to Thanksgiving, after the meal, everyone feels like slugs. Another tradition of Thanksgiving is having piles and piles of leftover. With the meals are getting bigger and bigger every year, it is time to solve this dilemma, before the leftover food goes bad!o

The Day After Thanksgiving

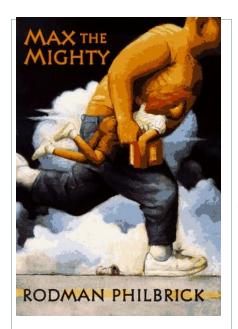
All across America on the fourth Friday of November, an epidemic is recognized. After we have all stuffed our faces with turkey, mashed potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, and pumpkin pie, we are still left with piles and piles of leftovers. Statistics say one third of the meals we eat on Thanksgiving are thrown away. "Across the nation, about 204 million pounds of turkey will get thrown away over this Thanksgiving." says Dana Gunder, in her article, *This T-Day Buy Less Than You Think.* That means If you happen to be the person who throws their Thanksgiving leftovers away, it may seem like a little now but in the end everyone put together would be throwing away about thirty-one, 16-pound turkeys, and that's far to the turkeys.

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Book Review-Max the Mighty by Rodman Philbrick by Chloe Kaplan

If you haven't read *Freak* the Mighty by Rodman Philbrick, I highly recommend it. If you have, and are curious to find out more about the story, then read the sequel, Max the Mighty. Within the sequel Maxwell Kane, the protagonist of Freak the Mighty, meets an eleven-year-old girl named Rachel, whose nickname is

Worm because of her love for reading. Soon after the two meet, Max is blamed for a major crime. Together, he and Worm go on a journey across the country, and navigate through her past. Chased by the police and a scary man known as 'the Undertaker,' Max and Worm make new friends and find out more about each other.

A book is a dream that you hold in your hand.

-Neil Gaiman



SPOT LIGHT ON SOMS: By Kirah Tianga and Sylvie Schuetz

Name: Mr. L. Cicenia

Subject Area: 7th Grade Science **Hobbies:** Reading and taking my daughters to skating competitions.

Why Science? I have to teach science since my last name resembles the Spanish word for science.

Idol or Role Model: My mother and father. I still look for their approval as an adult.

Favorite Book: Flowers for

Algernon

Something Not Many People Know About You: I can still grow a full head of hair. I just choose not to do so. This way, people can tell my Brother and I apart.

HIDDEN PICTURES



Can you find these items:

watch, feather, kite, cup, toothbrush, vinyl record, spoon, comb, saw, heart, banana, crown, paperclip



Thanksgiving Dinner

Too Much Turkey continued

In fact when it comes to Thanksgiving, the turkeys aren't the only things that suffer. When you end up throwing away leftover, you wallet also suffers. Dana Gunder says "This costs us money – about \$277 million as a nation – and is a waste of all the resources it took to get that turkey to our table. Resources for which, in theory, we are supposed to be celebrating on this exact day!" This means because of over buy, we Americans are forgetting about the true meaning of the holiday. In the Article The Real First Thanksgiving, it states "According to the myth, both the Pilgrims and the Indians viewed the first Thanksgiving as a time of rejoicing and celebration in thanking God for surviving a difficult winter. The Indians, as the story goes, welcomed the European newcomers, and some, like Squanto, readily assisted them in growing foodstuffs to help them survive the winter." That show Thanksgiving is all about being thankful, thankful for our families, thankful for our homes, and thankful for our food, but how can we be thankful for the food we get, if we end up throwing it away!

Saving the Day One Recreation at a Time

Now we all know about the problems with all the leftovers, but how do we solve it? Some may say the best way is to buy less in the beginning, but their is another way... a more delicious way. Instead of letting you leftovers go bad, than throwing them away, you can recreate them into delicious new meals! With all of the different kinds of leftovers, it can be impossible to decide what to do with each one, but it doesn't have to be that way.

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Turkey - Turkey is the one part of the Thanksgiving dinner that can be used for almost any leftover. All most any meal with chicken can be replaced with turkey! Theirs turkey pot pie, turkey empanadas, turkey matzo ball soup, and so much more.

Cranberries and Cranberry sauce - Cranberries, similar to turkeys, are very easy to recreate. With your cranberry leftovers, you can treat them as if they weren't leftovers! The best way to use them is to throw them in a muffin, or some bread. With the cranberry sauce, it may seem like it would be impossible to change but, the article "A Guide to Thanksgiving Leftovers" at bonapatit.com states, "When you're not using it to wake up sandwiches at lunch, allow it to help you wake up in the morning: Spread on pancakes or toast."

Mashed Potatoes -

Mashed potatoes are that food that even as leftovers, taste delicious, But if you want to get crazy, there is still a recipe for you! When it's time for breakfast and you still have mountain high of leftover potato, you can simply make Potato Waffles. Not a breakfast lover? Don't worry you can always fry up the mashed potatoes into croquettes.

IDEAS FOR LEFTOVERS

Turkey Pizza

Preheat your oven to 450 degrees.

Ingredients:

Leftover turkey

Leftover stuffing

Leftover gravy

Leftover mashed potatoes

Monterey Jack cheese

Store brought pizza dough

Preparation:

Prepare the dough so that it is your desired thickness.

Spread a light layer of gravy over the dough as you would with pizza sauce.

Sprinkle the top of your

Pizza with cheese.

Top with the "leftovers."

Bake for approx. 15 minutes.

Crust should be golden brown.



Too Much Turkey Continued

The Equivalent to Dessert Overall, Thanksgiving is a time to be thankful, but if we just end up throwing away our leftovers how is that being thankful. With all that time our parents (sometimes brothers and sister) spent cooking up a feast we can at least show our thanks for the food they have prepared on the table, by not throwing it

away. With all the ideas in

the article, and the millions of others on the internet, it is destiny that you will find the perfect recipe for you. Time have been changing, changing, most of the time, for the better. As was in the Levine section, when she was a kid, all her leftovers were thrown away, but as our generation changed and she grew up, that tradition of throwing away the leftovers ended.

Libby's Pumpkin Pie Recipe

- •3/4 cup granulated sugar
- •1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- •1/2 teaspoon salt
- •1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- •1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
- •2 large eggs
- •1 can (15 oz.) LIBBY'S® 100% Pure Pumpkin
- •1 can (12 fl. oz.) <u>NESTLÉ® CARNATION® Evaporated</u>
 Milk
- •1 *unbaked* 9-inch (4-cup volume) deep-dish pie shell •Whipped cream (optional)

Preparation:

MIX sugar, cinnamon, salt, ginger and cloves in small bowl. Beat eggs in large bowl. Stir in pumpkin and sugar-spice mixture. Gradually stir in evaporated milk.

POUR into pie shell.

BAKE in preheated 425° F oven for 15 minutes. Reduce temperature to 350° F; bake for 40 to 50 minutes or until knife inserted near center comes out clean. Cool on wire rack for 2 hours. Serve

Thanksgiving Word Search

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SWEETPOTATOES

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ADVICE FROM MISS

INFORMATION

AND MR.

CHICKENBOT

THIS WEEK'S

QUESTION:

I have so much homework to do and I am freaking out! What do I do?



If you have ideas you wish to contribute to our next issue, please see our advisor, Mrs. Levine, in room 352!

Next OOJ meeting will take place on Thursday, December 3 at 3:15 p.m.





Dear A Nervous Wreck,

You should build a homework robot put your homework in the homework robot and wait about 10 minutes. While you are waiting for it to give your homework back, I would suggest killing a few minutes and naming your homework robot. Here are a couple names:

C-3POHNO R2-D5 RoboCop-y Jam

Terminator of Homework RoboCheater 9000

Sincerely,

Mr. ChickenBot

Well, Mr. or Mrs. Wreck,

The key to everything is time management. If you put off all of your homework until the night that it's do, of course you'll be a nervous wreck. You will be worried you won't finish your homework, you'll be tired, you'll feel hopeless, and you will be mad at yourself for not doing these things earlier. That's bad. This is where time management comes in. If you do something like keep a planner or write notes of what homework you have, then that's one step further. I know that nowadays conference period is a sort of pathetic time span, but still. If you are confused on an assignment and you don't know what something means, then just go after school. Or ask during class! Don't be afraid to ask your teacher for help. They have to be there for you. You have conference period. Utilize it. You can also ask your teachers for help on Edmodo or Google Classroom or whatever you use, although it isn't usually as effective as a face-to-face conversation. In the end, though, all of the planning or notes won't do you any good if you don't feel responsible. You have to make yourself get off of your computer or take some time off of you TV to work on that project that you have a month to do. I know it seems like a lot of time, but if you don't start working on it earlier, you will feel very, very rushed. And being rushed isn't good. It causes messy work. Just take some time to talk to your teacher or take some time to work on your project. You will see how amazing the end result is.

> Sincerely, Miss Information

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may your potatoes and gravy have never a lump,
may your pies take the prize.
And may your Thanksgiving dinner
stay off your thighs.

