

TURKEY CROSSING

This is a great strategy game for developing logical thinking skills, and has very simple rules. The aim of the game is for the turkey to cross the field and escape to the other side. The farmers are trying to capture the turkey for the Thanksgiving meal!

Age range: 1st Grade +

Number of players: 2

Learning: Strategy and logical thinking

You will need

- The turkey and farmer counters on the playing pieces sheet (alternatively use colored counters)

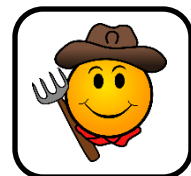
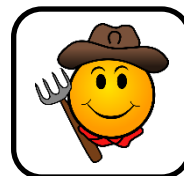
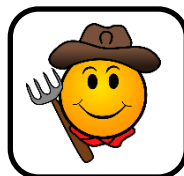
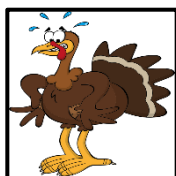
Instructions

- One player is the turkey, the other player is the farmers.
- Start the game with the turkey on the square with the red cross, and the 4 farmers on the squares with the white crosses.
- Each turn, the turkey can move diagonally backwards or forwards one square only. The farmers can only move **down** the board diagonally towards the turkey one square at a time – the farmers **cannot** move back up the board.
- Each turn the turkey **must** move, and one farmer **must** move.
- The turkey always moves first.
- The farmers are able to trap the turkey (and win the game) by cornering her/him so that the she/he cannot move.
- The turkey wins the game by getting across the field to the other side (the bottom of the board)

Variations

- Play the game with more or fewer farmers. Try playing with 2 farmers.
- Allow the farmers to move forwards and backwards, and allow the turkey to move 2 squares at a time.

Playing Pieces (optional)



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*Will the turkey be able to cross the field safely,
or will the farmers managed to trap him?*

