

# **“Albuquerque Turkey“**

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## **Cast- -Puppets---Charlie-----Woody---Children**

Song plays **Albuquerque Turkey**. Woody is singing it dressed in his combat clothes. Charlie thinks he’s crazy and she is dressed in a turkey suit.

After partial song:

**Charlie---**What are you up to now, Woody? Why, you’re dressed like you’re going hunting.

**Woody---**Yikes! Are you a turkey or a Charlie?

**Charlie---**Well, do I look like your turkey to you?  
Besides do you really know what Thanksgiving is all about?

**Woody--**No, but why are you dressed like a turkey?  
Why you are just trying to scare me.

**Charlie--** Well, you said gobble, gobble too many times and I turned into a turkey.

**Woody----** Okay, all right already, but tell me the rest about Thanksgiving.

**Charlie----** Well, It went like this: Now be quiet.  
It all happened on Dec. 4, 1619, a year before the Pilgrims would arrive at Plymouth Rock, on what's now the coast of Virginia (now called Charles City). Hey, that is named after me, ha ha I love it.  
They were under strict orders from the London Company about what to do when they got there: "We command that the day of our ship’s arrival ... shall be yearly and kept holy as a day of thanksgiving to Almighty God," It was time to praise and thank God for all his Blessings on this beautiful place we all call home.

**Woody----**Wow! And I know the rest.

**Please Children come forward and put on your turkey best.**

(Woody starts singing (**“Five Little Turkeys**) **children will be chosen before skit to do the finger play with the turkeys.**

**Charlie---**Well, will you please get off the Turkey songs and listen to my story. If you know it all then why am I telling you the story?

**Woody--**Because I wanted to see if you knew what Thanksgiving was all about. Now after the

harvest crops were gathered, the Governor William Bradford of the Pilgrim Colony, "Plymouth Plantation" in Massachusetts proclaimed:

**"All ye Pilgrims with your wives and little ones, do gather at the Meeting House, on the hill... there to listen to the pastor, and render Thanksgiving to the Almighty God for all His blessings."**

**Charlie---** Hey, that reminds me of a song and why we should be thankful.

**Woody--**Yea, me too and I can hear it now.

Song plays **"You've Been Blessed"** and children would walk out one by one and each carry the following ---and walk around and down the aisle then back to the front of the stage.

- 1. Food on the table. You can use a platter.**
- 2. Shoes. Someone can carry a pair of shoes**
- 3. Sleep-- Pillow**
- 4. Street guy would carry a cup marked help.**
- 5. Education---Two graduation papers wrapped in ribbon.**
- 6. Clothing--Carrying a jacket over their shoulder.**
- 7. A dollar bill in each hand.**
- 8. An iron.**
- 9. Homeless sign.**
- 10. Horn**

**Children will walk around room by the audience and back up front and form a line holding their props.**

**(Charlie and Woody) would come out from the puppet stage and walk with the kids and the puppets will have homeless signs on them.**

**When the last person is in line they would hold their props and each take their turns lifting their props high. (Low then High)**

**When all the children have their turns they will exchange the props for the cookies & water bottles and go around the audience and shake hands and give them each a gift.**

**They would then come back to the front after passing out the water bottles and do the friend shake. Hand over hand. After all hands are on top of each other they would then form a line and hold hands and take the arms of the puppets. At the end of the song they would all cross their arms and say "I'm Blessed."**

**The End**