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# Talking Turkey

Did you know?  
THE SCIENTIFIC NAME FOR  
A TURKEY IS MELEAGRIS  
GALLOPAVA

1. Can you draw a line to match the correct answers?

Female turkey	poult
Male turkey	flock
Baby turkey	stag
Group of turkeys	hen

2. How long does it take to incubate a turkey egg before it hatches?

 14 days
  21 days
  28 days

3. Approximately how many turkeys are produced for Christmas in the UK each year?

 1 million
  10 million
  34 million

4. Where did turkeys originate from?

 Turkey
  Mexico
  USA

5. The most common breeds of turkey in the UK are the Standard White, Bronze and Norfolk Black. How many breeds do you think there are in total?

 10
  36
  43

Did you know?  
A WILD TURKEY CAN RUN UP  
TO SPEEDS OF 25 MILES PER HOUR  
AND FLY SHORT DISTANCES UP  
TO 55 MILES PER HOUR



LET'S TALK  
FARMING



6. British farmers are leaders in animal welfare and the production systems reflect this. Can you fill in the gaps below to name the three types of production systems used in the UK?

F \_ \_ e ra \_ g \_

B \_ \_ n

O \_ ga \_ ic

7. Only male turkeys gobble:



True



False

8. What do turkeys eat?

9. When buying turkey in the supermarket, what should you look out for on the packaging?



If you want to find and support your local turkey producer you can use the NFU's Turkey Finder:

[www.countrysideonline.co.uk/turkey-finder](http://www.countrysideonline.co.uk/turkey-finder)

10. Turkey is nutritious and versatile, what is your favourite turkey leftover dish?

Why not visit [www.countrysideonline.co.uk](http://www.countrysideonline.co.uk) for recipe ideas.

**HINT: THINK ABOUT FEED, WATER, BEDDING AND ENRICHMENTS**

Draw a turkey in the barn and think about what else it needs.

Did you know?

ADULT TURKEYS  
HAVE UP TO  
**5000**  
FEATHERS