

## TAYLOR THE THANKFUL TURKEY SONICA ELLIS

## SUMMARY

Taylor the Thankful Turkey goes around on Thanksgiving day, giving gifts from his garden to his friends and thanking them for all they've done for him. How will people react when he shows them gratitude and appreciation? How does it feel to be appreciated?

## **Questions:**

- 1. When giving gifts is it more important to give something expensive or something personal? What if someone gives you something expensive that you don't need, want, or like? What if someone gives you something they made for you with love that is tailored to what you like?
- 2. Is it more important to give gifts and thanks or to receive them? Sometimes getting gifts is more fun, but how do you feel when you give someone a gift they truly love? How do they feel opening gifts they love?
- 3. Is giving someone a gift the only way to show someone you love and care about them? How else can you show people gratitude?
- 4. How do you think each of Taylor's friends felt when he gave them a gift? How do you think Taylor felt when he saw how happy his gifts made them?
- 5. If you heard about someone giving everyone gifts and how happy everyone was to get them and then you got a gift too, what would you do? How could you show your gratitude? Give them a gift back? Tell them how grateful you are for them? Make a thank you card? Can you spread the love even further?
- 6. When everyone else starts giving gifts and writing notes, how do you think the whole town feels? What would it feel like if everyone was friends with everyone and all people were kind?
- 7. Have you ever heard the phrase "Pay it Forward"? What does it mean? "Pay it Forward" means that someone does something nice for you and you do something nice for a few more people. And then they do something nice for a few more people. And then they do something nice for a few more people. Soon, everybody is helping each other. Does doing something nice mean giving gifts? What else counts as doing something nice? Could it be helping someone with homework? Inviting them to join your lunch table? What else could you do?

