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For Thai English Students

Squanto, the English Speaking Friend of The Pilgrims!
American Thanksgiving Story – Part 2

Around 1608, a group of English traders sailed to America. There they met a tribe of Indians who trusted the traders. But the traders took some of the Indians to Spain as prisoners, where they were sold to be slaves.

Squanto, was one of the Indian boys who was taken away from his family and home. A Christian man bought him, treated him well and taught him about the Christian faith. One day, Squanto escaped and was able to go to England. There he worked for a man named John Slaney. Squanto wanted to return to his home and Mr. Slaney promised to put him on the first ship heading for America.   Finally in 1619, Squanto was able to return to America, after having been away for over ten years.

But when he reached his home area, he found out that everyone in his own village had died because of sickness. A year later, the Pilgrims came to live in the same area where Squanto and his people had lived. He went to meet them, and greeted them in English! He helped this starving group of people in many ways.

This is the amazing story of how God brought together a lonely Indian man and The Pilgrims who were struggling to stay alive. They helped and encouraged each other in their time of need!

Word Study and Pronunciation Practice:

alive   live (adj.)   lives (noun)   life   lively

living live (verb) lives lived   making a living   live on

Note: some of these words are <u>not</u> used in the paragraph!

The Pilgrims sailed to America in a small ship called the Mayflower.   _____ was very difficult for them during the 65 days on the ship.   Their _____ were often in danger. They arrived in America during the winter and had to build a place to _____.   An Indian man named Squanto, found the Pilgrims _____ on the land where his people had _____ before. They did not bring enough food with them, but they were able to _____ the food that the Indians gave them. After their first year in America, they thanked God that they were still _____.

Discussion: Tell what things happened so Squanto could learn English!