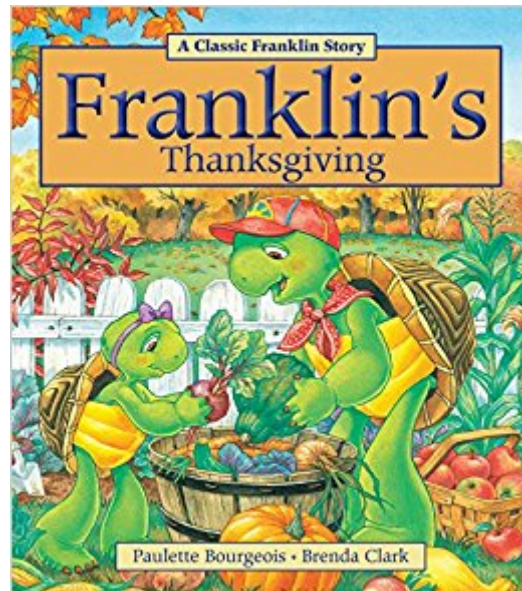




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# Franklin's Thanksgiving



## Synopsis

In this Franklin Classic Storybook, our young hero likes everything about Thanksgiving, from eating pumpkin-py pie to making cornucopias. But what he likes best is having his Grandma and Grandpa share the holiday with him and his family. This year, however, his grandparents are traveling abroad. Thanksgiving just won't be the same without guests around the table, so Franklin decides to invite some friends for dinner. What a nice surprise it will be for his parents. Only Franklin's mother and father have the same idea, and on Thanksgiving Day all their friends show up for the festivities! With no more room in the house, where will the holiday meal take place?

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## Customer Reviews

In Franklin's Thanksgiving, based on characters created by Paulette Bourgeois and Brenda Clark, the turtle and his family are disappointed when Grandma and Grandpa can't make it, but they find unexpected fun and friendship as they prepare for the annual feast. Copyright 2001 Cahnners Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

reS-Gr 2-Franklin loves Thanksgiving and especially looks forward to his grandparents' visit. However, a week before the holiday, he learns that grandma and grandpa won't be coming for

dinner this year. When the young turtle learns that Mr. Owl's relatives are not visiting either, he invites him to join his family, deciding that "This would be a wonderful surprise for his parents." Meanwhile, Franklin's mother decides to invite the Bear family and his father invites Mr. Mole, also without telling the others. Franklin invites the Moose family, too, since they are new in town. When the guests begin arriving, everyone is surprised to see who has come. All have brought platters and bowls heaped with food, and when the house becomes crowded, they move the feast outside-just like the early settlers. At the end of the day, Franklin's grandparents telephone and the young turtle tells them all about the new Thanksgiving tradition. They promise that they will be there next time. The story is thin. It's never explained why the grandparents disappoint their family by not coming, and letting them know by postcard seems very impersonal-particularly since they telephone on Thanksgiving night. Full-page and spot art show the very green turtle family engaging in all of the typical activities of the season, but there's still something lacking in this celebration. Wendy S. Carroll, Montclair Cooperative School, NJ Copyright 2001 Cahners Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

First of all, the publication date listed for this item is not correct. It states that it will be out on February 1, 2011, but I sent the item to me a few days ago and it is in my hands. It's 2011, and Franklin begins the celebration of his 25th anniversary with this wonderful book - a 25th anniversary edition of his very first adventure. This includes the complete, original "Franklin in the Dark." In the story, Franklin finds himself with a big problem. Turtles sleep in their shells, but it's dark in there, and Franklin is afraid of the dark. He drags his shell behind him and goes on a journey, looking for someone to help him with his problem. Though he doesn't find anyone who has a problem just like his, his adventure does give him an idea for how to overcome his fear. This 25th anniversary edition has so much more than the original story however. Included at the very beginning is Paulette Bourgeois's original manuscript - "The Turtle They Called Chicken," giving fans a rare look into the early development of the series. There is also original storyboard artwork and sketches, as well as letters from both Paulette Bourgeois and Brenda Clark. The pages at the back of the book contains even more excellent supplementary material. Readers are given a look at the development of the entire series - from the books to the television show, with the promise of an upcoming CGI series in 2011. There are also pictures of many different types of "Franklin" merchandise, some of which I didn't even know existed. There is also a wonderful look at the Franklin Children's Garden in Canada and a section on international editions of "Franklin." If you or your children are fans of this intrepid young turtle, this 25th anniversary edition of the original is a can't miss.

This book really helped my daughter get over her fear of the dark. We read it every night for months and now she doesn't talk about the dark much at all.

Love all the Franklin books. This one is so sweet

We love Franklin and can understand that he was upset that his Grandparents could not come for Thanksgiving. But everyone inviting several others will out anyone knowing about it was wonderful.

Helped my son stay in his room at night. Thanks Franklin!

This is a touching book about a beloved turtle named Franklin. The special 25th edition is special in many ways: read the story of Franklin in the Dark, then learn more about Franklin and how he got his start, read a note from the author and illustrator, along with many other extras as well! The story is a great way to talk to your child about overcoming fears. We will definitely keep this book as a keepsake for many years!

Fun little book. I downloaded it to read to the 3 year old class at church this past Sunday for Thanksgiving and it kept their attention.

Beautiful story, with a great message. Helped my toddler realize his fear of the dark was something everyone faced and how light could help solve the problem of darkness.

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