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Anotace: The worksheet can be used when learning about Thanksgiving. Students watch a video that expresses the idea of “Gratitude” or being thankful for life. The exercise focuses on listening comprehension as well as discussion and expression of personal opinions regarding being thankful.

- I. Thanksgiving – What is it? Discuss with your classmates what is Thanksgiving and what do you know about this holiday and its origins.
- II. Discuss the following quotations:

When you practice gratefulness, there is a sense of respect toward others. – Dalai Lama

Keep your eyes open to your mercies. The man who forgets to be thankful has fallen asleep in life. – Robert Louis Stevenson

I'm thankful to be breathing, on this side of the grass. Whatever comes, comes. - Ron Perlman

Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never, ever have enough. - Oprah Winfrey

In everyone's life, at some time, our inner fire goes out. It is then burst into flame by an encounter with another human being. We should all be thankful for those people who rekindle the inner spirit. - Albert Schweitzer

III. What is gratitude?

Watch the following TED talk entitled Nature. Beauty. Gratitude.

http://www.ted.com/talks/louie_schwartzberg_nature_beauty_gratitude.html (may be viewed with either English or Czech subtitles)



“If you do nothing else today...respond as if it’s the first day of your life...and the very last day. Then you will have spent this day very well.”

If you feel comfortable in the classroom environment, discuss your own thoughts about being thankful and having gratitude. What are you thankful for?



Quotation Sources:

http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/topics/topic_thankful3.html