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?



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



1 million



10 million



34 million

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**

4. Where did turkeys originate from?



Turkey



Mexico









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?











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?

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7. Only male turkeys gobble:



True



8. What do turkeys eat?



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







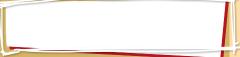




If you want to find and support your local turkey producer you can use the NFU's Turkey Finder:

www.countrysideonline.co.uk/turkey-finder

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



Why not visit 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

Answers:

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