

MAGIC TREE HOUSE #27

# Thanksgiving on Thursday

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## What Feast?

"Come on," said Annie. She stood in the doorway to Jack's bedroom. "Let's check the woods."

"But it's Thursday," said Jack. "We're going to Grandmother's soon."

"I know," said Annie. "But I have a feeling the tree house might be back. I think Morgan might have sent us a new rhyme."

Jack trusted Annie's feelings.

"Okay, but we'll have to be quick," he said.

He threw his notebook and pencil into his backpack. He followed her downstairs.

"Be back soon!" Jack called to their parents.

"*Very* soon!" their dad said.

"Don't forget—it's Thursday," said their mom. "We're leaving for Grandmother's at nine!"

"I know!" said Jack.

"We'll be back in ten minutes!" said Annie.

They hurried out of their house. They ran across their yard and up their street and into the Frog Creek woods.

Jack and Annie ran through light and shadow, until they stopped under the tallest oak.

"Yay!" said Annie.

"You were right!" said Jack.

High in the tree was the magic tree house. Jack grabbed the rope ladder and started up. Annie was right behind him.

They climbed into the tree house. Sunlight slanted in through the window.

"Good, our gifts from our last trips are still here," said Annie.

She pointed to the scrolls from Shakespeare's theater and the twig from the gorillas.

"Proof we found the magic of the theater and the magic of animals," said Jack.

"Look," said Annie. She pointed to a book lying in a dark corner. A piece of paper was sticking out of it.

Jack pulled out the paper.

"It's from Morgan," he said.

He read:

Adventure is waiting inside  
every **MAGIC TREE HOUSE**® book!

It's a time for giving thanks . . .  
when the Magic Tree House whisks Jack  
and Annie back to 1621 on the first  
Thanksgiving Day. The Pilgrims ask them to  
help get things ready. But whether it's  
cooking or clamming, Jack and Annie don't  
know how to do *anything* the Pilgrim way.  
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the feast go on?



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