

## November's Cultural Spotlight

# Turkey



Throughout the 2011-12 school year, the Grand Ridge PTSA Cultural Diversity Council will be helping to educate GR students about different countries and cultures. Each month will have a different culture and/or country of focus. Ask your kids about the crafts and activities they've participated in during afternoon recess every Tuesday.

Below, we've listed many ways to learn about Turkey at home. Please take a look at the following websites, read the books with your child, or visit the Peace Park in Seattle.

### **Websites to visit**

#### **Shadow Puppets**

<http://www.karagoz.net/english/shadowplay.htm>

#### **General Information about Turkey**

<http://www.kultur.gov.tr/EN/ana-sayfa/2-0/20111106.html>

<http://www.turkishculture.org/>

<http://www.goturkey.com/turkiye.php?lng=en&content=intro>

<http://www.anatolia.com/>

<http://geography.about.com/library/blank/blxturkey.htm>

<http://kids.yahoo.com/reference/world-factbook/country/tu--Turkey - main>

<http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/kids/places/find/turkey/>

#### **Learn the Turkish Language!**

<http://www.teachyourselfturkish.com/>

#### **Turkish Children's Games**

<http://www.turkishculture.org/lifestyle/games/turkish-childrens-games-750.htm>

### **Books to read**

### **Turkish Fairy Tales and Oral Narratives**

[http://www.archive.org/stream/turkishfairytal00kngoog/turkishfairytal00kngoog\\_djvu.txt](http://www.archive.org/stream/turkishfairytal00kngoog/turkishfairytal00kngoog_djvu.txt)

<http://www.pitt.edu/~dash/hodja.html>

[http://vlib.iue.it/carrie/texts/carrie\\_books/paksoy-8/The\\_Bald\\_Boy\\_Keloglan\\_and\\_the\\_Most\\_Beautiful\\_Girl\\_in\\_the\\_World.pdf](http://vlib.iue.it/carrie/texts/carrie_books/paksoy-8/The_Bald_Boy_Keloglan_and_the_Most_Beautiful_Girl_in_the_World.pdf)

### **Grand Ridge School Library**

You can check out a list of books about Turkey recommended by Mrs. Gekeler. They can be seen at the library's Destiny Quest website (which can be reached from Mrs. Gekeler's website). From the link below, look for "Resource Lists," then click on the "search lists" tab to find "Turkey" [Library link](#)

### **Places to visit in Seattle**

<http://turkfest.org/>