



# TALKING TURKEY TO TRUMP DERANGEMENT SYNDROME

## Thanksgiving Dinner Survival Guide 2024

It's almost that time again. We all have that liberal family member who just will not leave it alone and allow others to enjoy Thanksgiving without arguing over politics. Avoidance is the best policy, but consider this a fire extinguisher for use in an emergency when dealing with those who will not be ignored at Thanksgiving. Here goes:

### 1. You don't need to do this.

I appreciate your passion, but there is a time and a place for political arguments, and this is not the time or the place. Be considerate of others.

### 2. Donald Trump is a fascist.

"Fascism" is not when you lose an election. Is there a Republican president you have not called a fascist? But somehow we are still here. The reality is that while you may not like his policies (and over 70 million Americans do like them), Trump showed in his first administration that he respected court rulings, and unlike Joe Biden, never defied the Supreme Court. The false accusation of fascism is meant to silence others, not because it is real.

### 3. Inflation is caused by greedy corporations, not the government.

Stop listening to Elizabeth Warren, who lied about being an American Indian to advance her career, and who got fabulously wealthy without ever having produced anything other than bluster. Supermarkets have very low-profit margins, they are not the problem. Have you taken Economics 101? Is it too late to register for the spring semester? Because that's not how these things work. Inflation is a result of federal policies – period. As Nobel Prize winning economist Milton Friedman said, "Inflation is created by the government and by no one else."

### 4. America is inherently racist and Donald Trump will make it worse.

Negatory. Sure, there are mistakes in America's history, no one denies that. But our country also led the effort for equality. While Martin Luther King, Jr., dreamed of and successfully advocated for a day when his children would "not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character," leftists today want everyone judged by the color of their skin, not by the content of their character. That is the true racism. The reality is that Trump put together a multi-racial, multi-ethnic, multi-religious coalition. Redefining racism doesn't change anything, and Americans no longer will be bullied by false 'racist' accusations.

### 5. There's no such thing as woke teachers trying to "indoctrinate" students.

You can't have it both ways, embracing using teaching as an activist tool to change society while denying the indoctrination. There is an open and coordinated movement among teachers unions and political activist groups to infiltrate the textbook markets and schools themselves. The National Education Association, the largest teachers union in the country, has backed teaching Critical Race Theory in every public school. One union with over 35,000 members recently met on "How to be a teacher and an organizer...and NOT get fired." The notion that teachers unions know better than parents what ought to be done with their children no longer flies.

### 6. Donald Trump wants to build a wall and deport "undocumented" people.

Yes, you are right, and he has the support of the vast majority of Americans, including half of Hispanic Americans, as shown in a recent CBS News poll. Open borders and allowing criminal gangs to enter the country and wreak havoc is why Democrats lost in 2024. No nation can exist without protected borders. You don't let strangers break their way into your house. America's our house, and we are entitled to control our borders, a key element of national sovereignty.

### 7. Republicans want to restrict miscarriage care and don't care about women in crisis.

No state limits or has ever limited miscarriage care. To claim otherwise is just propaganda. Miscarriage care is not legally classified as "abortion." As to the termination of pregnancy, the issue has been returned to the states. Some states have abortion laws that are far more liberal than under Roe v. Wade, and some less liberal. This is democracy in action.

### 8. LGBTQ rights are at risk.

The rights of gays and lesbians are fully protected and not under threat, and the right to same-sex marriage has been affirmed by the Supreme Court. The claim of a threat is a cover for the difficult issue of men who identify as women gaining access to female spaces, such as bathrooms and locker rooms, and female sports teams. Most Americans believe that girls and women are entitled to their own protected spaces, and that children should not be subjected to life-altering sex change operations and pharmaceuticals. Don't mix up the issues.

### 9. 'Palestinians' just want peace and America should side with them.

There never was a country called Palestine, and prior to the creation of Israel the people who now call themselves Palestinian considered themselves part of the larger Arab world. That's why they never demanded a state in the 'West Bank' and Gaza when those areas were controlled by Muslim Jordan and Egypt. On several occasions they turned down land-for-peace offers. Palestinians are not the indigenous people, their ancestors were the colonizers of the land during the Arab Muslim conquest and migrants in the 20th century. Jews are the indigenous people. The creation of Israel is the most successful decolonization achievement in modern history, and it is opposed only because it is Jewish. Oh, and there is no genocide in Gaza, the population has increased since October 7 and Hamas has embedded its terror weapons inside, under, and among civilians areas.

### 10. Trump and Republicans will destroy America.

Losing an election is hard, I get it. But don't be so gloomy. President Trump's reelection shows the American people – even those who may not like his personality or personal choices – recognize that our nation has gone down the wrong path. Americans voted to return to a focus on liberty, limited government, and equality of opportunity. That doesn't sound like destruction. Instead of setting your hair on fire, join the rest of us who want a united and prosperous future ahead. It's better this way. Promise.