

IF YOU GIVE A PIG A PANCAKE

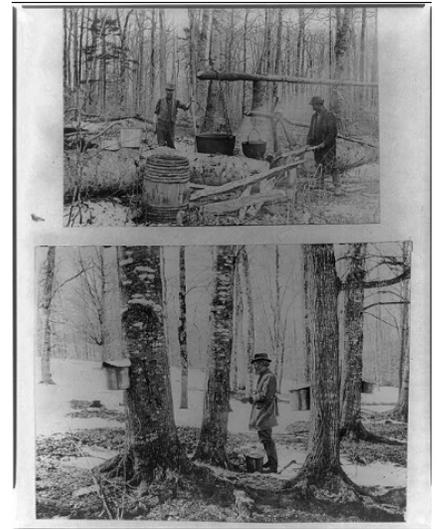
INTRODUCTION

By Tracy Hanson

It is interesting when you really start to explore a story, the questions which come to mind. I love pancakes and I wondered if pancakes were the same around the world. These are the classic Buttermilk pancakes here in the USA. Then I found Blini, Pannukakku, Tiganites, Okonomiyaki and more. Pancakes from Malaysia, Russian and the Netherlands. What a great idea to try all different recipes and have a multicultural pancake breakfast. Sounds good? [Give it a try!](#)



My second question was related to maple syrup. Now I am a New Englander and boiling sap to make maple syrup is “in our blood”. But I wonder how many of you from other countries know how to make maple syrup. Here is a nice video which explains the [process](#). Unfortunately, the video can’t send you the wonderful aroma of the sap as it boils. We used to go to the neighbor’s sugarhouse with our tea bags and sip sap tea as the sap boiled into sugar. I found this other [great site](#) which had some great old pictures, some interesting reading AND not only a read-along video of “If you give a pig a pancake..” but also “Curious George Makes Maple Syrup” and “Lady Pancake and Sir french Toast”. Hmmm, that sounds like a good title for a Matrix Reader’s Theater! Want to give it a try? Send your script to us and if it’s good, we’ll publish it to other clubs.



IF YOU GIVE A PIG A PANCAKE

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NARRATOR 1	NARRATOR 2	NARRATOR 3	PIG
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NARRATOR 1: If you give a pig a pancake, she'll want some syrup to go with it.

PIG: May I please have some syrup?

NARRATOR 2: When she gets all sticky, she'll want to take a bath.

PIG: May I please have some bubbles and a toy?

NARRATOR 3: When you give her your rubber duck, she'll feel homesick.

PIG: Will you come visit my family with me?

NARRATOR 1: When she finds your old tap shoes, she'll want to dance.

PIG: Can we please have some music?

NARRATOR 2: When she starts to dance, she'll want you to take her picture.

FIG: Would you please go and get the camera.

NARRATOR 3: When she sees the picture, she'll want to send one to each of her friends.

FIG: May I please have some envelopes and stamps?

NARRATOR 1: When you take her to the mailbox, she'll see the tree in your backyard.

FIG: Can we please build a treehouse?

NARRATOR 2: When the treehouse is finished, she'll want to decorate it.

FIG: May I please have some wallpaper and glue?

NARRATOR 3: When she hangs the wallpaper, she'll get all sticky and remember your favorite maple syrup.

FIG: May I please have some of your favorite maple syrup and a pancake to go with it?



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