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An old-fashioned Thanksgiving

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Reviewer: Gabi Kupitz  
Reading Level: Primary  
Rating: Outstanding  
Genre: Historical fiction; Holiday stories;  
Subject: Family life--Juvenile fiction; Thanksgiving Day--Juvenile fiction; New England--Juvenile fiction; Books--Reviews  

Two sisters in a large New England family roll up their sleeves and get to work to make a Thanksgiving dinner when their parents are called away to attend to an ailing grandmother. Culinary mishaps occur, but the children manage to put together a delicious dinner that warms the immediate family as well as arriving aunts, uncles, cousins--an even Grandma. The full-color illustrations capture the abbreviated Alcott text. A feel-good holiday story that transports the reader to another time, yet the situation and go-to attitude of the children is timeless. Includes "Louisa May Alcott's Apple Slump" recipe.