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HAPPY

Valentine's
day

Lesson
ideas ♥

LIST of ACTIVITIES:

1. HEART RACE

Vocabulary (colours, numbers). Students colour the hearts they can find. Then, ask students to count all the hearts as quickly as possible.

2. BROKEN HEARTS

Vocabulary, spelling. Students work out the hidden message.

3. "HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY"

Word formation.

4. RHYMES

Writing (Gap fill). Students can then choose the poem they like best, write it on a heart-shaped card and "send" to someone by means of a school "Valentine's Day mail service".

5. LOVE & MARRIAGE

Speaking (Interview). Level A2-B1

6. LOVE & RELATIONSHIPS

Speaking (Discussion). Level B1-B2

7. St VALENTINE'S DAY

Reading (Putting the text back together). Level: B1-B2

8. RELATIONSHIPS

Vocabulary (crossword). Level A2-B1

RESOURCES:

www.bogglesworldesl.com

www.ActivityVillage.co.uk

www.crayonboxLearning.com

www.college-englishmag.com



Broken Hearts

Why did the dog and cat fall in love?

Mend these broken hearts to figure out the hidden answer to this question.



— 4 — 14



— 9 — 5



— 17



— 13 18



— 1 21



— 8 6



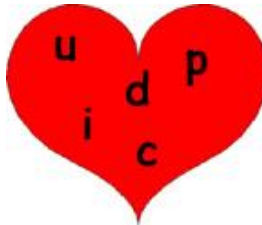
— 20 10



— 15 16



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— 2 3



— 7 19 12

Valentine's Day Riddle: Use the numbers above to fill in the riddle.

1 2 3 4 5 , 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14
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Happy Valentine's Day

How many words can you make out of *HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY*?



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V A L E N T I N E ' S
D A Y

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Did you find?



Someone from another planet.

Very small.

A cat, a dog, or a goldfish.

A primate.

Momma's partner.

The opposite of like.

The opposite of early.

The opposite of sit.

Something to put food on.

A fruit.

A tragedy or a comedy.

Write on a keyboard.

Difficult:

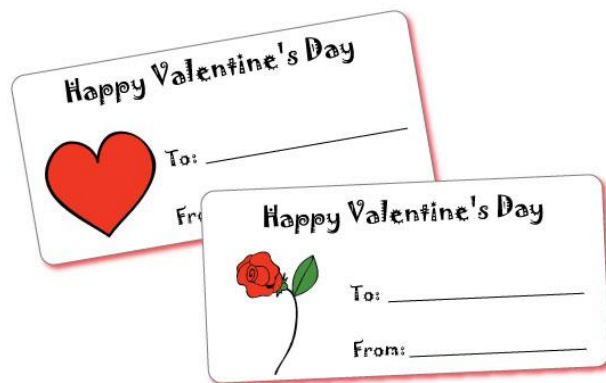
Less than a nickel.

Jump forward.

Another word for can.

TO MY VALENTINE:

On Valentine's Day, people give presents and cards to each other. The cards are called *Valentines*. Some people buy the cards, some people make them.



Fill in the gaps with the words to make the Valentine poems.

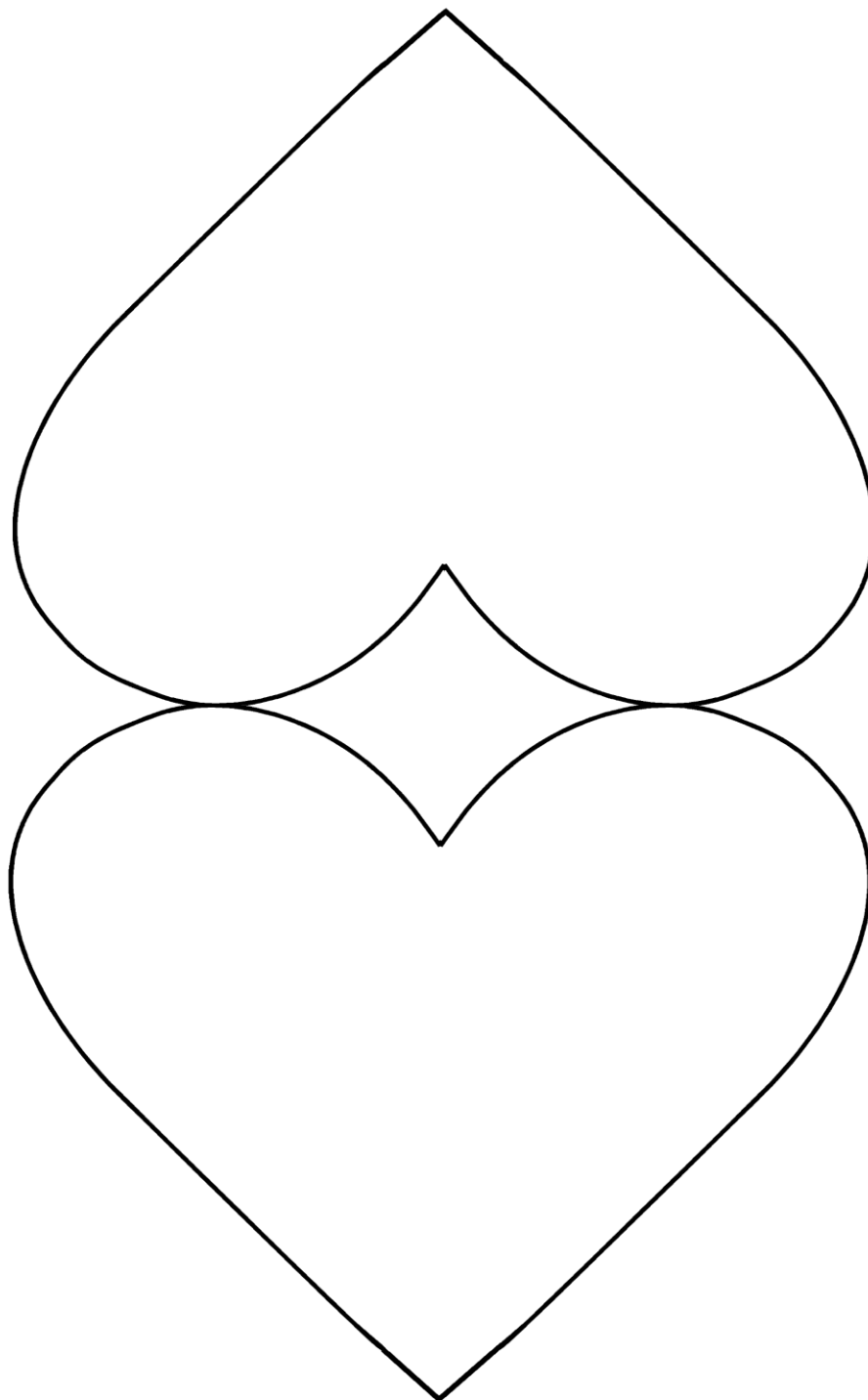
The lines must rhyme!

sweetheart you closely secret red sweet blue impart	
Rose are _____, Violets are _____, Sugar is _____ And so are _____!	There is a little _____ I'm wishing to _____: If you listen very _____, You will learn who is my _____!
who me be do	
What shall my little secret _____? That I love you if you love _____!	Love somebody - Yes, I _____. Love somebody - Can you guess _____?
friend Valentine row end mine so	
Five little stars in a _____ The first one says: I love you _____! The second one says: will you be my _____? The third one says: I will if you'll be _____! The fourth one says: I'll always be your _____. The fifth one says: until the very _____!	

Now, make a Valentine's card, choose your favourite poem and send it to your Valentine!

Valentine Heart Card - Template

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Interview Questions

1. Have you been on a date recently?

2. What would be your ideal first date?

3. What kind of man / woman are you attracted to?

4. Would you prefer to get married or stay single?

5. What would your ideal partner be like?

6. At what age would you like to get married?

7. What would your ideal wedding be like?

8. Would you like to have kids?

9. If you had problems in your marriage would you get divorced?

10. Do you think marriage is an old-fashioned idea?

Space

Ask the interview questions to a few classmates.

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Level: B1-B2

Love and Relationships: 1 min SPEAKING



<p>What is the best age to start dating? Why?</p>	<p>What is love at first sight? Do you believe in it? Discuss.</p>
<p>How do you know that you are in love? What are the symptoms of love?</p>	<p>Is getting married giving up freedom? Discuss.</p>
<p>Have you ever been on a blind date?</p>	<p>What is more important – appearance or character?</p>
<p>At what age do you want to get married? Why?</p>	<p>What is a wedding ceremony like in your country? Describe.</p>
<p>Can a single person be as happy as a married person? Discuss?</p>	<p>What are the pros and cons of getting married?</p>
<p>Do you fall in love easily? How often?</p>	<p>What is your idea of a perfect date? Describe it.</p>
<p>What is your idea of an ideal boyfriend/ girlfriend?</p>	<p>What would you never accept in your partner? Why?</p>

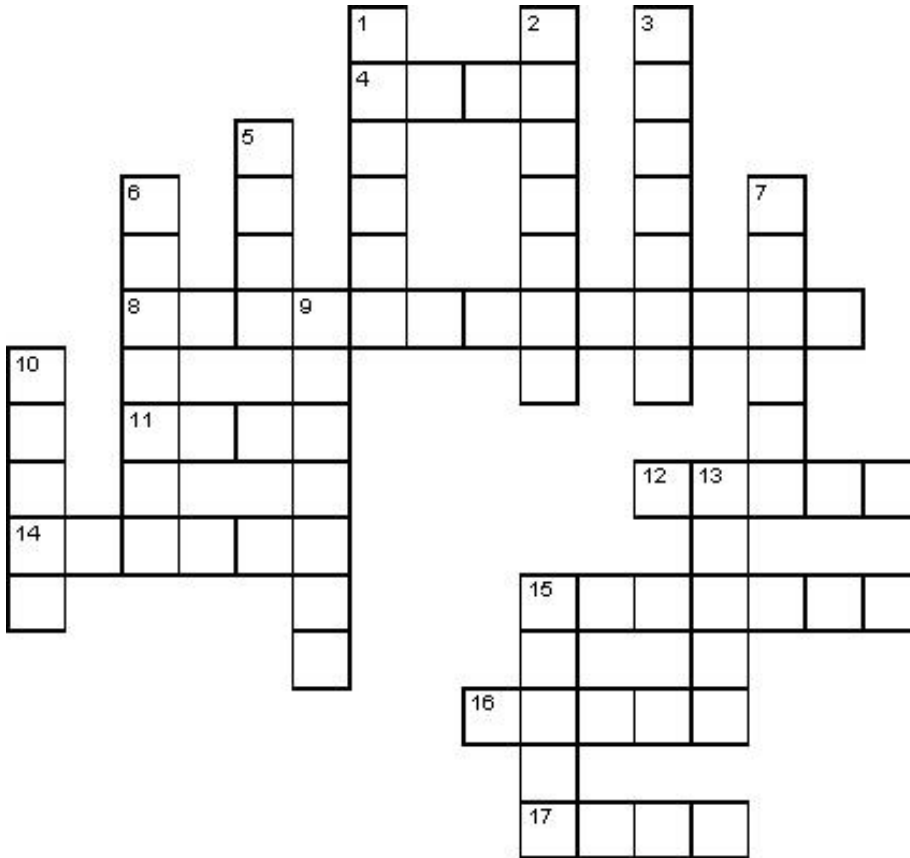
Reading: Put the Text Back Together.

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () day are buying chocolates and giving red roses. Valentine's Day used to be an American and European thing, but now it has
- (1) Valentine's Day is one of the most famous holidays in the world. It falls on February the 14th and is celebrated
- () Valentine's Day. In the 1980s, diamond companies began promoting jewellery as the
- () gone all over the world. It has become very commercial. Companies that make Valentine's goods even encourage
- () in the third century, or Saint Valentine, bishop of Terni, from the 14th century. The custom of exchanging romantic
- () sending 85 per cent of them. Different companies slowly saw the opportunities to make money from
- () messages seems to have started in 19th-century England. In 1847, an American woman, Esther Howland,
- () sending Valentine's cards with romantic messages. It is common to leave the card unsigned. Other traditions on this
- () There is confusion over which Saint Valentine the day is named after. It is either Valentine of Rome, who lived
- () started producing and selling Valentine cards. Today, over one billion are sent worldwide, with women
- () across the world. It is the traditional day for lovers to express their love to each other. They do this by
- () ultimate Valentine's gift. French and Italian restaurants are also very busy on this day.
- () women give Valentine's gifts – to all the men they know.
- () people to send Valentine's cards to their parents and other family members! In Japan, only



Relationships

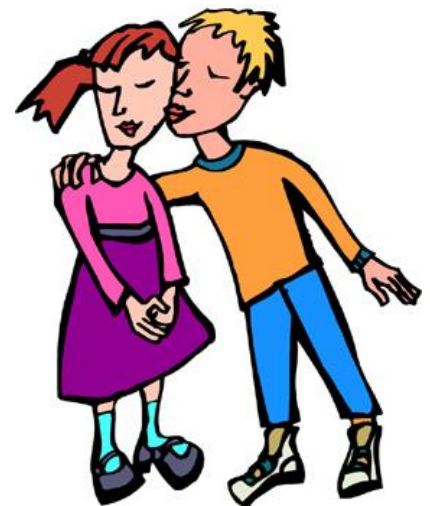


Across

- 4. A flower of love.
- 8. The holiday for lovers.
- 11. What you give someone when you get engaged.
- 12. To see someone other than your boyfriend, girlfriend, husband, or wife.
- 14. _____ someone. Dating regularly.
- 15. Stop going out with someone.
- 16. Love at first _____.
- 17. Go on a _____.

Down

- 1. _____ hearted. Sad because a relationship has ended.
- 2. A celebration where two people get married.
- 3. Ask somebody to marry.
- 5. _____ in love. Start to love someone.
- 6. End a marriage.
- 7. Someone you are going to marry.
- 9. People who have agreed to get married.
- 10. Have a _____ on someone. Be infatuated.
- 13. The symbol of love.
- 15. _____ date. A date with someone you've never met.



ANSWERS:

1. **Number of hearts:** 24
2. **Words:** kiss, red, love, heart, card, rose, chocolate, saint, flower, cupid, arrow
Message: Cupid's arrow was an error.
3. **Words:** alien, tiny, pet, ape, papa, hate, late, stand, plate, apple, play, type, penny, leap, tin
- 4.

TO MY VALENTINE:

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Violets are **blue**,
Sugar is **sweet**
And so are **you**!

There is a little **secret**
I'm wishing to **impart**:
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You will learn who is my **sweetheart**!

What shall my little secret **be**?
That I love you if you love **me**!

Love somebody -
Yes, I **do**.
Love somebody -
Can you guess **who**?

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The fourth one says: I'll always be your **friend**,
The fifth one says: until the very **end**!

7. **Lines numbers:** 4, 1, 13, 5, 9, 12, 10, 3, 8, 11, 2, 14, 7, 6

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8. Crossword

Down: 1 - broken, 2 - wedding, 3 - propose, 5 - fall, 6 - divorce, 7 - fiancé, 9 - engaged, 10 - crush, 13 - heart, 15 - blind;

Across: 4 – rose, 8 – Valentine's day, 11 – ring, 12 – cheat, 14 – seeing, 15 – break up, 16 – sight, 17 – date;