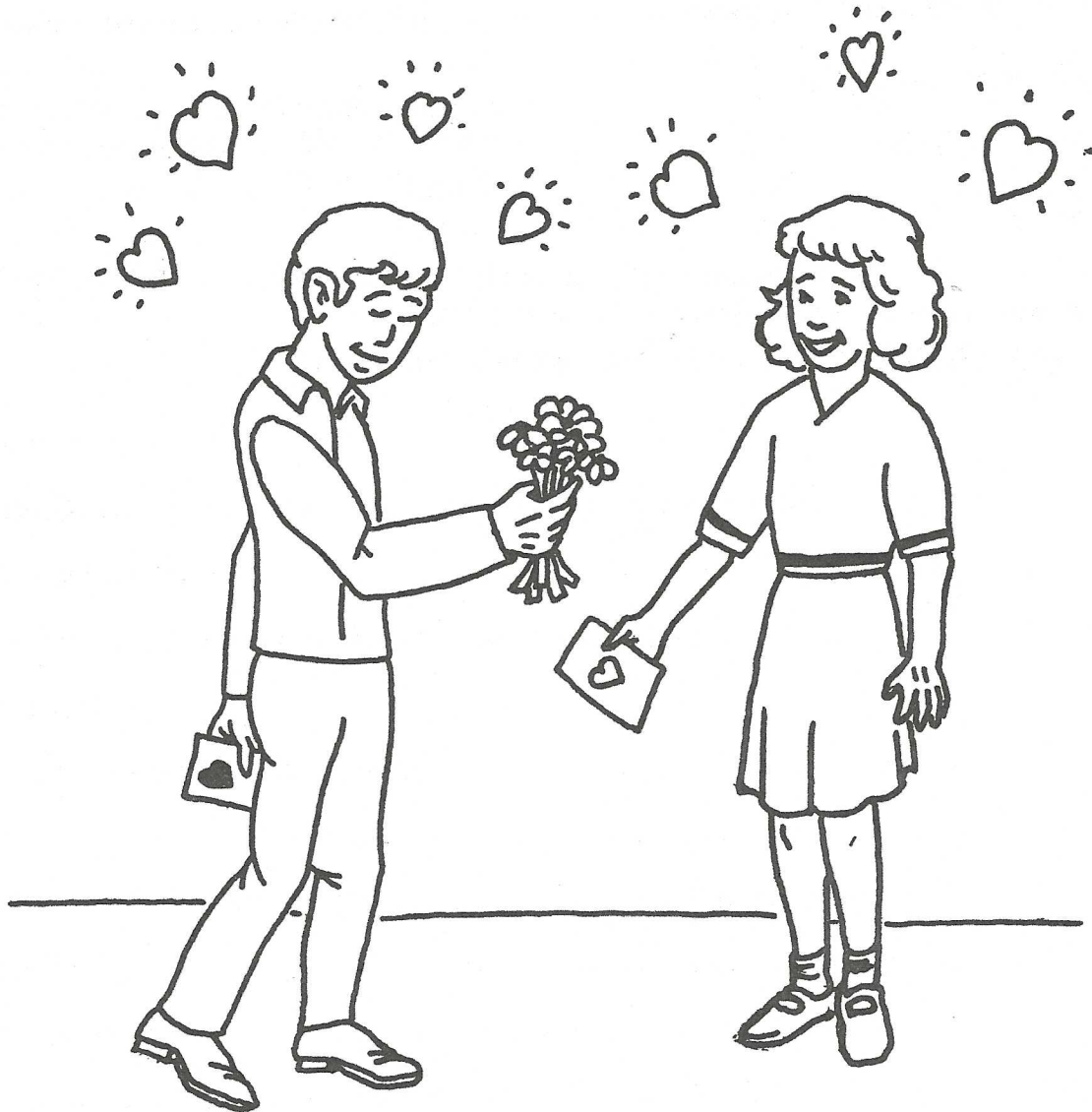


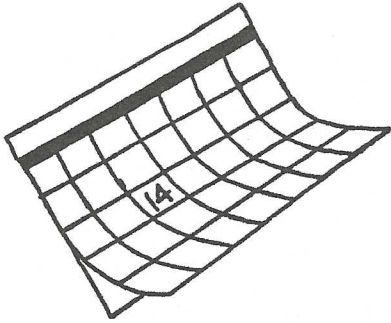
# VALENTINE'S DAY



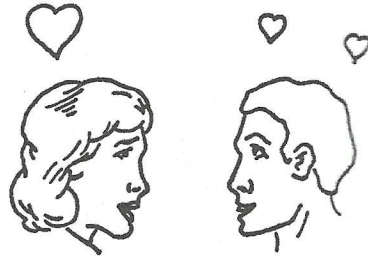
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## ALL ABOUT SAINT VALENTINE'S DAY

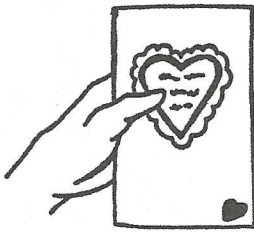
1. Valentine's Day is February 14.



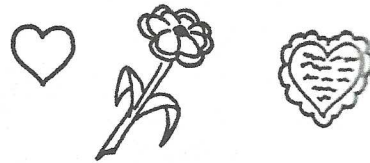
2. It is a day for love and friendship.



3. We can give Valentine cards to people we love.



4. Cards can have hearts, flowers, lace, and pretty poems on them.



5. One very old poem is this:

Roses are red,



Violets are blue;



Sugar is sweet,



And so are you.

Do you know these words?

Valentine  
love  
friendship  
card  
heart

flower  
lace  
poem  
rose

violet  
sugar  
sweet  
So are you

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



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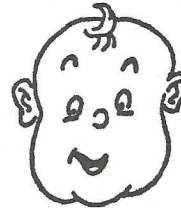
### THE STORY OF CUPID

This is one story people think about on Valentine's Day:

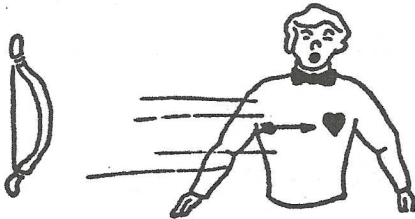
1. Cupid is the god of love. He is a small baby with magic arrows.



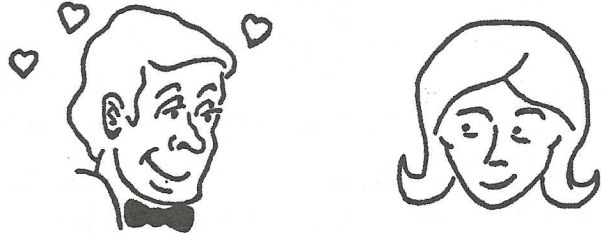
2. Cupid likes to make people fall in love. But he is only a baby, so he is not very smart.



3. Cupid shoots his magic arrows into someone's heart.

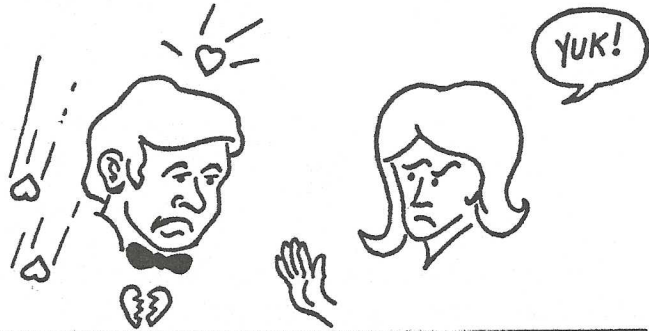


4. Then that person falls in love with the next person he or she sees.



5. Cupid does not always shoot a magic arrow into the other person's heart. Then the other person does not love the first person.

6. Cupid makes a lot of trouble this way.



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I. Do you know these words? Find these words in the story. Draw a line under them. Copy the words. Write the meanings.

- |                   |             |
|-------------------|-------------|
| god               | only a baby |
| magic             | shoot       |
| arrow             | person      |
| fall/fell in love | trouble     |
| smart             |             |

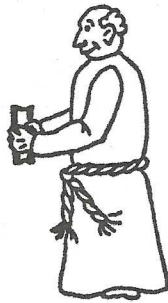
II. Discuss:

1. Who is Cupid?
2. Is he very smart? Why not?
3. What happens when Cupid shoots his magic arrow into someone's heart?
4. How does Cupid make a lot of trouble?

## HOW DID SAINT VALENTINE'S DAY BEGIN?

1. There are many different stories about the origin of Saint Valentine's Day.

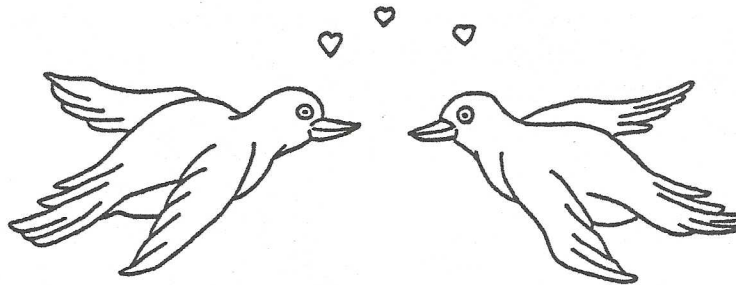
2. Valentine was a priest in Rome a long time ago. He was a very good priest and many people liked him.



3. Claudius, the Roman emperor, did not want young men to get married. Claudius wanted men to go to war. He said no one could get married without his permission.

4. Young couples wanted to get married. Valentine married them in secret. When Claudius found out, he put Valentine into prison. Claudius killed Valentine on February 14.

5. Two hundred years later, the church made February 14 a special day to remember Saint Valentine. Valentine became the patron saint of lovers.



6. A different story is that February 14 is the day that birds choose their mates, so people also choose the ones they will love on that day.

I. Do you know these words? Find them in the story. Draw a line under them. Copy the words. Write the meanings.

origin

war

the church

priest

couple

patron saint

Rome

in secret

lover

emperor

find out/found out

choose/chose

married

prison

mate

II. Discuss:

1. Do you celebrate Valentine's Day in your country?
2. What are the customs?
3. What other customs are there for young couples who are in love?
4. Are there special ways for young men and young women to meet each other?