



### WORD SEARCH

Valentine's Day is celebrated on February 14<sup>th</sup>. See if you can find the words related to this holiday in the puzzle below!

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Y	H	R	X	V	P	V	F	G	N	Q	U	M	B	N
B	J	N	Y	N	O	Z	Z	T	N	S	S	J	S	J
K	Q	H	T	L	Y	X	Z	K	H	L	Y	H	P	V



#### Word List

- Chocolate
- Date
- Heart
- Hug
- Kiss
- Love
- Pink
- Red
- Rose

### Some lovely idioms!

**Love at first sight** – love established when two people first see one another. *When Nan laid her eyes on Arthur, she knew it was love at first sight.*

**Love somebody to death** – to feel extremely strong affection for someone. *He is so kind and such a hard worker that his friends love him to death.*



**Tough love** – a method of helping someone to change their behavior by treating them in a harsh way. *Coach Diaz wanted Geoff to make the Olympics, so he used hard workouts and tough love.*

**Sealed with a Kiss** (also **SWAK**) – written and sent with love and care. *Jenny's letters to her long-distance fiancé were all sealed with a kiss.*

**Love-hate relationship** – a relationship of any kind that involves both devotion and hatred. *I have a love-hate relationship with the gym: I love how I feel after a workout but I hate exercising!*

## GIVING GIFTS

Valentine's Day is a time to celebrate our loved ones. Traditionally, gifts are exchanged to let our loved ones know how special they are to us. Cards, roses, chocolates and jewelry are popular Valentine's Day gifts.

Here are some ways of saying **"thank you"** when someone gives you a gift:

"Thank you, you didn't have to do that."      "This is a very kind gesture."  
"That was very sweet of you, thank you."      "I appreciate it."

When someone thanks you for a gift, here are some ways of saying **"you're welcome:"**

"Any time!"      "My pleasure!"  
"I was happy to do it."      "No problem!"

**Practice with your Partner!** How would you respond in the following situations?

Someone gives you flowers on Valentine's Day.

You completed a project, and your boss gives you a gift card from a restaurant.

You buy a cup of coffee for your friend, and he says, "That was really nice!"

Your sister says "You shouldn't have!" for giving her a sweater on her birthday.

**Can you think of any other situations where you might have to say "thank you" to someone?**

## CULTURE CORNER

**Presidents' Day** is celebrated on the third Monday in February. Although it was originally established to recognize President George Washington's birthday, in the 1970s it became popularly known as Presidents' Day. It is now viewed as a day to celebrate all United States Presidents, both past and present.

## TIPS FROM TUTORS & STUDENTS

### Tutor:

Favorite homework assignment: Come to English in Action the following week with a library card from the public library.

### Student:

Listen to podcasts and the radio, and watch television at home to practice your English.

Read children's books with your tutor. Suggestions—the Ramona books by Beverly Cleary and Amelia Bedelia books to learn American idioms.

***Thanks to our tutors and students for these great tips!***

**Share** your expertise and ideas!

We would love to hear more tips from our readers – both students and tutors.

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