



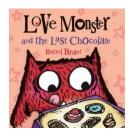
# VALENTINE'S DAY & LOVE



### **Books and eBooks:**



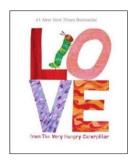
<u>A Crankenstein Valentine</u> by Samantha Berger (E HOLIDAY BER): A boy who looks ordinary transforms into grumbling Crankenstein on the most "lovey-dovey, yuckiest day of the year.



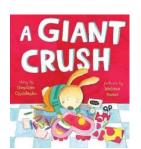
Love Monster and the Last Chocolate by Rachel Bright (E BRI): When Love Monster receives a box of chocolates as a gift, he has second thoughts about sharing them with all of his friends. Also available as <u>eBook</u>.



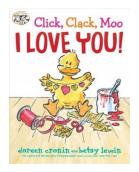
Mr. Goat's Valentine by Eve Bunting (E HOLIDAY BUN): When Mr. Goat learns that it's Valentine's Day, he sets out in search of gifts for his first love, but his choices are a little unconventional.



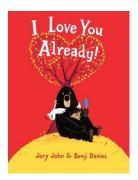
Love from the Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle (E HOLIDAY CAR): Featuring The Very Hungry Caterpillar, this special gift book gives all the reasons why someone special makes the world a better and brighter place!



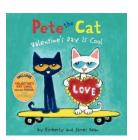
<u>A Giant Crush</u> by Gennifer Choldenko (E HOLIDAY CHO): Too shy to approach the girl he likes, Jackson hides little gifts for her to discover before Valentine's Day.



<u>Click, Clack, Moo I Love You!</u> by Doreen Cronin (E HOLIDAY CRO): Little Duck is working hard making valentines for everyone and decorating for the Valentine's Day dance, but what happens when an unexpected guest arrives?



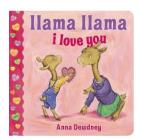
<u>I Love You Already!</u> by Benji Davies (E JOH): All Bear wants is to spend a pleasant day alone, but Duck really wants to hang out Also available as eBook.



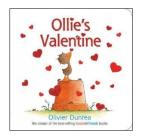
Pete the Cat Valentine's Day is Cool by Kimberly and James Dean (E HOLIDAY DEA): Believing Valentine's Day is uncool until he realizes how many special cats he knows, Pete the Cat prepares Valentine's Day cards for everyone only to discover that he has forgotten to make a card for the most important cat of all. Also available as eBook and Audiobook.



<u>Valentine Surprise</u> by Corinne Demas (E HOLIDAY DEM): A little girl tries to create the perfect heart-shaped valentine for her mother on Valentine's Day.



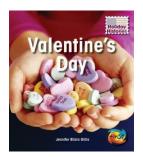
<u>Llama Llama I Love You</u> by Anna Dewdney (E HOLIDAY DEW): Little llama shows his friends and family how much he loves them with heart-shaped cards and lots of hugs. What could be sweeter than Llama Llama on Valentine's Day? Also available as eBook.



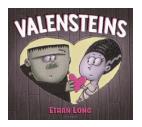
<u>Ollie's Valentine</u> by Olivier Dunrea (E HOLIDAY DUN): When he discovers that his friends all have valentines, Ollie searches for someone to be his valentine too.



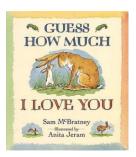
<u>Love</u>, <u>Ruby Valentine</u> by Laurie Friedman (E HOLIDAY FRI): After Ruby Valentine misses her favorite holiday of the year, her parrot, Lovebird, convinces her that every day is the perfect day to say "I love you."



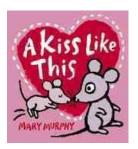
<u>Valentine's Day</u> by Kathryn A. Imler (E 394.2618 IML): Presents background information on the origins of customs related to the celebration of St. Valentine's Day.



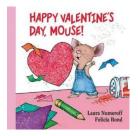
<u>Valensteins</u> by Ethan Long (E HOLIDAY LON): On a cold, dark night perfect for scaring, Fran is making a valentine, causing other members of Fright Club to howl and hiss over the idea of being in love. Also available as eBook.



<u>Guess How Much I Love You</u> by Sam McBratney (E MCB): During a bedtime game, every time Little Nutbrown Hare demonstrates how much he loves his father, Big Nutbrown Hare gently shows him that the love is returned even more.



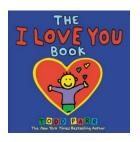
<u>A Kiss Like This</u> by Mary Murphy (E MUR): Celebrates the loving bond between mothers and babies on split-page, surprise-reveal spreads of kissing parent-child animal pairs, including elephants, tiny mice, and bubbling fish.



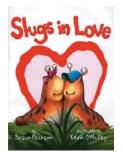
<u>Happy Valentine's Day Mouse</u> by Laura Numeroff (E HOLIDAY NUM): As Mouse makes valentines for all his friends, he reflects on what he likes best about each of them.



<u>Let's Bake Valentine's Day Treats</u> by Ruth Owen (J 641.568 OWE): Since we celebrate the special people we love on Valentine's Day, it's the perfect holiday to make some amazing baked treats!



<u>The I Love You Book</u> by Todd Parr (E PAR): Celebrates the love one person has for another, whether they are dancing or strolling, on snowy days and sunny ones, no matter what.



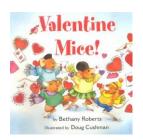
<u>Slugs in Love</u> by Susan Pearson (E PEA): Marylou and Herbie, two garden slugs, write love poems in slime to one another but have trouble actually meeting.



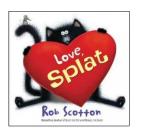
<u>Snowy Valentine</u> by David Petersen (E HOLIDAY PET): Jasper Bunny spends a snowy Valentine's Day visiting his forest friends in hopes of finding the perfect gift for his beloved Lilly.



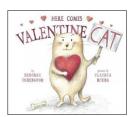
Happy Valentine's Day by Elizabeth Ritter (E 394.2618 RIT): Valentine's Day is a holiday that celebrates love and friendship. This book explores how one little boy prepares for and celebrates Valentine's Day with his family and friends.



<u>Valentine Mice</u> by Bethany Roberts (E HOLIDAY ROB): Valentine's Day is a holiday that celebrates love and friendship. This book explores how one little boy prepares for and celebrates Valentine's Day with his family and friends.



<u>Love</u>, <u>Splat</u> by Rob Scotton (E HOLIDAY SCO): Splat the cat has a special valentine for a certain someone in his class. Also available as <u>Audiobook</u>.



<u>Valentine Cat</u> by Deborah Underwood (E HOLIDAY UND): Cat does not want to send a valentine to anyone, until some unexpected gifts from the dog next door make him change his mind. Also available as eBook.



<u>The Biggest Kiss</u> by Joanna Walsh (E WAL): A celebration of kisses from the sleepy goodnight kiss and the splishy splashy fish kiss to the sticky lipstick kiss and finally the best kiss of all.

### Valentine's Day Rhymes & Songs:

#### My Valentine Heart

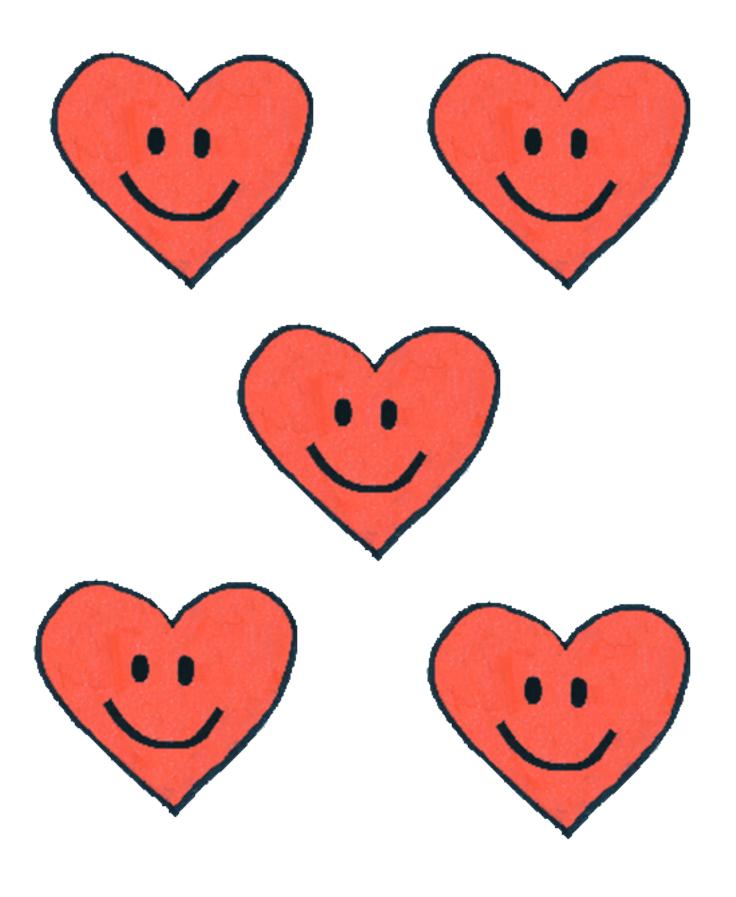
When I say I love you (point to lips)
It comes from my heart (hand on heart)
You hear it in your ear (point to ear)
And it sounds very smart (point to head)
I love it when you're proud of me (stand very tall)
You say it all day long (stretch arms wide)
And when I hear you say it (point to ear)
My heart sings a merry song (hand on heart)

#### <u>I'm A Little Valentine</u> (sung to the tune of I'm a Little Teapot)

I'm a little valentine,
Red and white.
With ribbons and lace,
I'm a beautiful sight!
I can say, "I Love You"
On Valentine's Day
Just put me in an envelope
And give me away!

<u>Five Little Hearts</u> - Print and cut out the heart images below and use to count with the rhyme. Point to each heart as you recite the rhyme.

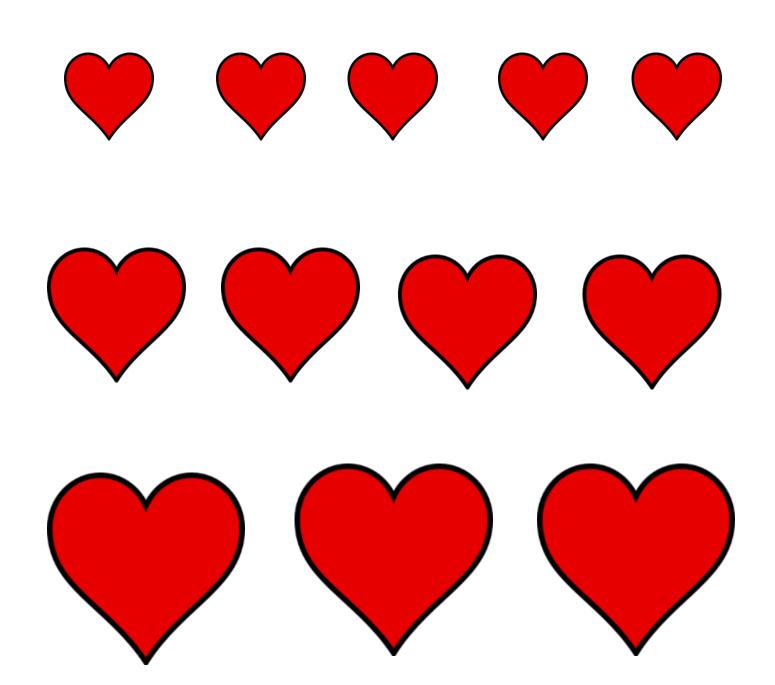
Five little hearts, all in a row
The first one said, "I love you so."
The second one said, "Will you be my Valentine?"
The third one said, "I will, if you'll be mine!"
The fourth one said, "I'll always be your friend."
The fifth one said, "We'll all be friends until the very end."



## **STEAM Activity - Heart Sorting:**

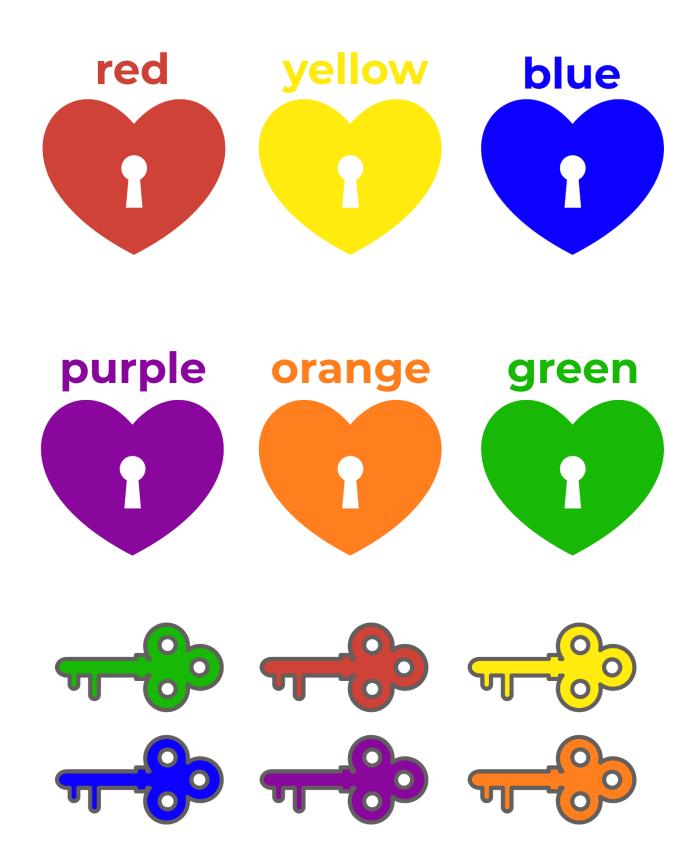
Help your child cut out the hearts on the next page. Mix them up, then have your child put them in the correct column, sorting between small, medium, and large.

Small	Medium	Large



## **Color Matching Heart Lock and Key:**

Help your child cut out the keys and match them to the colored heart locks.



# I Love You Bear Coloring Sheet:

Have your child color the bear and trace the words "I Love You" for some writing practice! (Source: Momjunction.com)

