

# VALENTINE'S DAY

## Reading Comprehension



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Comprehension Questions

CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER

central theme of Valentine's Day

**IMPACT**  
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**AROUND THE WORLD**

By adding Valentine's Day to the calendar, women in Korea exchange Valentine's cards. In the United States, Valentine's Day is celebrated with cards, gifts, and special dinners. The day is associated with love and affection worldwide.

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**DIRECTIONS: CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.**

1. What is the central theme of Valentine's Day, according to the passage?

- Celebration of spring
- Expressing love and warmth
- Appreciating historical figures
- Exchanging gifts with strangers

2. What ancient Roman festival is linked to the origins of Valentine's Day?

- Saturnalia
- Lupercalia
- Florida
- Vesalia

3. Who is the mysterious figure associated with the origin of the name "Valentine"?

- Cupid
- Saint Patrick
- Saint Valentine
- Emperor Charlemagne





4. What did the legend of Saint Valentine in the Roman Empire?

- Hosted festive celebrations
- Disobeying orders to protect his faith
- Going to war against the emperor
- Sending cards to friends

5. When did the tradition of exchanging Valentine's cards begin?

- 12th century
- 15th century

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## VALENTINE'S DAY

Valentine's Day is a special occasion celebrated globally to share love and warmth with those close to our hearts. This day is all about appreciating friends, family, and loved ones. Let's take a journey to discover how this heartwarming celebration began.

### ORIGINS

The roots of Valentine's Day stretch back to ancient Roman times. Some folks believe it's linked to a Roman festival called Lupercalia, where people joyfully welcomed the arrival of spring. Over time, the celebration transformed, and the focus shifted towards expressing love as a central theme.



### SAINT VALENTINE'S

The name "Valentine" finds its origin in Saint Valentine, a mysterious figure from history. There were several saints named Valentine, but the most well-known story revolves around a priest named Valentine who lived during the Roman Empire. The legend tells us that he bravely disobeyed the emperor's orders by secretly marrying couples to protect husbands from going to war. He ended up in prison, and on the day of his execution, he sent a note to a friend signed "From your Valentine." This phrase is still used today.



### FIRST VALENTINE

Traveling back to the 15th century, the first Valentine's Day card emerged. Charles, Duke of Orleans, sent a heartfelt card to his wife while he was locked away in the Tower of London. This touching gesture marked the beginning of the tradition of exchanging cards and notes on Valentine's Day.

### SYMBOLS

Valentine's Day is adorned with symbols that represent love and friendship. The most recognizable symbol is the heart, often adorned in red or pink. Cupid, the Roman god of love, is another commonly associated symbol. Cupid is portrayed as a playful cherub armed with arrows that can magically make people fall in love.



### IMPACT

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While Valentine's Day is widely celebrated, different countries add their unique touch to the festivities. In Japan, it's customary for women to send two cards to men. Meanwhile, in South Korea, there are separate days for men and women to exchange cards. In some Latin American countries, Valentine's Day is known as "Día del Amor y la Amistad" (Day of Love and Friendship), highlighting not only romantic relationships but also friendship. In conclusion, Valentine's Day history rooted in ancient traditions and legends has evolved over time into a day that expresses their affection through cards, small acts of kindness. The symbols associated with the day, like hearts and Cupid, have become universal symbols of love. It's this day's cherished celebration worldwide.



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- Who is the mysterious figure associated with the origin of the name "Valentine"?
  - Cupid
  - Saint Patrick
  - Saint Valentine
  - Emperor Charles
- What did the legend of Saint Valentine involve during the Roman Empire?
  - Hosting festive celebrations
  - Disobeying orders to protect marriages
  - Going to war against the emperor
  - Sending cards to friends
- When did the tradition of exchanging Valentine's Day cards begin?
  - 10th century
  - 15th century
  - 18th century
  - 20th century
- Which Roman god of love is mentioned as a symbol of Valentine's Day?

### COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

- Explain the historical roots connected to the ancient Roman transformation of its center.
  - Who is Saint Valentine, and Valentine's Day? Include details about actions during the Roman Empire.
  - Describe the emergence of 15th-century, mentioning the social circumstances surrounding the event.
  - Elaborate on the symbolism of the heart and cupid, discussing its expression of love and affection.
  - Explain the global impact beyond the exchange of cards, highlighting school participation in the fostering community among students.
- Mars
  - Venus
  - Cupid
  - Jupiter
- What is the significance of Cupid in Valentine's celebrations?
    - Symbol of wisdom
    - Symbol of fertility
    - Symbol of love and attraction
    - Symbol of victory
  - What is the impact of Valentine's Day beyond as mentioned in the passage?
    - Financial gains for businesses
    - A reminder to appreciate and express feelings
    - Solely a romantic celebration
    - Limited to school activities
  - How do schools typically participate in Valentine's celebrations?
    - Organizing grand parties
    - Exchanging chocolates only
    - Card exchanges and craft-making
    - Ignoring the celebration altogether
  - What unique customs are mentioned regarding Day in Japan?
    - Exchanging handmade crafts
    - Giving chocolates from men to women
    - Celebrating with grand feasts
    - Sending love notes to secret admirers

## Answers Key

### MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS:

- What is the significance of President's Day in the United States?
 

Answer: b. Honoring the country's leaders.
- When is President's Day celebrated?
 

Answer: b. Third Monday of February.
- Originally, which president's birthday was President's Day established to celebrate?
 

Answer: c. George Washington.
- How has President's Day evolved regarding the birthdays it encompasses?
 

Answer: b. It now includes the birthdays of all U.S. presidents.
- What educational opportunities does President's Day provide?
 

Answer: c. Exploring the history of the presidency.
- How does President's Day encourage citizens to do regarding the democratic process?
 

Answer: b. Participate actively in the democratic process.
- How does President's Day contribute to national unity?
 

Answer: c. By encouraging appreciation of shared history.
- What are some celebratory traditions associated with President's Day?
 

Answer: b. Parades, historical reenactments, and events.
- What is the main message regarding civic engagement in President's Day?
 

Answer: b. It plays a crucial role in shaping the country's future.
- What does President's Day symbolize, according to the conclusion of the passage?
 

Answer: b. Respect for the office of the presidency.

## MCQ'S & QUESTIONS

## ANSWER KEY INCLUDED

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