V is for Valentine



What You Need:

- Glue
- Construction paper (2 colours)
 Heart stickers (or draw some and cut them out)
- Markers
- Scissors

Directions:

- Draw a bubble letter "V" on a piece of paper and cut it out. If your little one is able, have them cut the letter "V" out.
- 2. Have your little one glue the letter "V" onto another coloured piece of construction paper.
- 3. Have your little one stick heart stickers onto the letter "V".

If you don't have heart stickers, you can use another piece of coloured paper to make some and then have your little one glue them on.

Talking Points:

Talk to your little one about the letter "V". Ask (or tell) your little one about other animals or things that start with the letter "V". Emphasize the sound the letter "V" makes by making the sound a few times - see if your little one can repeat it. Then sing the alphabet song.

Books:

- Foxy in Love by Emma Dodd from Vaughan Public Libraries
- Heart to Heart by Lois Ehlert from Vaughan Public Libraries
- Mama, Do You Love Me? by Barbara Joosse from <u>Tumble Book Library</u>





I Love You To Pieces

What You Need:

Markers

- Glue
- Construction paper (multiple colours)
 Scissors

Directions:

- 1. On a piece of paper draw a large heart and write "I Love You To Pieces" above or below the heart. If your little one is able to, they can write the message.
- 2. Cut out 1-inch square pieces on coloured paper. They don't have to be perfect squares and they can be any colours.
- 3. Have your little one glue the 1-inch squares onto the large heart anyway they want.
- 4. Have your little one give the artwork to someone they love.

Talking Points:

Mosaic art is a great way for your little artist to get creative while practicing their fine motor skills. Talk to your child about the colours of each piece of paper, the feel of the paper, and the stickiness of the glue.

Also, explain in simple terms what love is. Let them know that love is when you really care about someone or something, so you take good care of them. Give your little one a big hug and kiss and let them know that you love them.

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What You Need:

- Muffin Pan Scissors
- Coloured paper
- 12 small hearts (i.e. felt, candy, etc.)
- Marker or pen

Directions:

- 1. On a piece of coloured paper draw 12 hearts and cut them out. Make sure they are small enough to fit in the bottom of each muffin pan's slot.
- 2. Number the hearts 1-12 and place the hearts in each slot of the muffin pan.
- 3. Have your little one put 1 heart in the muffin slot that says 1, 2 hearts in the muffin slot that says 2 and so forth all the way to 12.

*You can also use cheerios or pom poms if you do not have small heart objects available.

Talking Points:

Talk to your little mathematician about numbers and have them count out loud as they place the corresponding number of hearts in each slot.

For older children, you can add only a few hearts to one of the numbered slots and ask them how many more they need to add. For example, in slot number 3 put only 2 hearts. You can do the same thing with subtraction by putting too many hearts in one of the muffin slots. Or if they have mastered numbers 1-12, then try numbers 13-24 (though you might need more hearts).

Books:

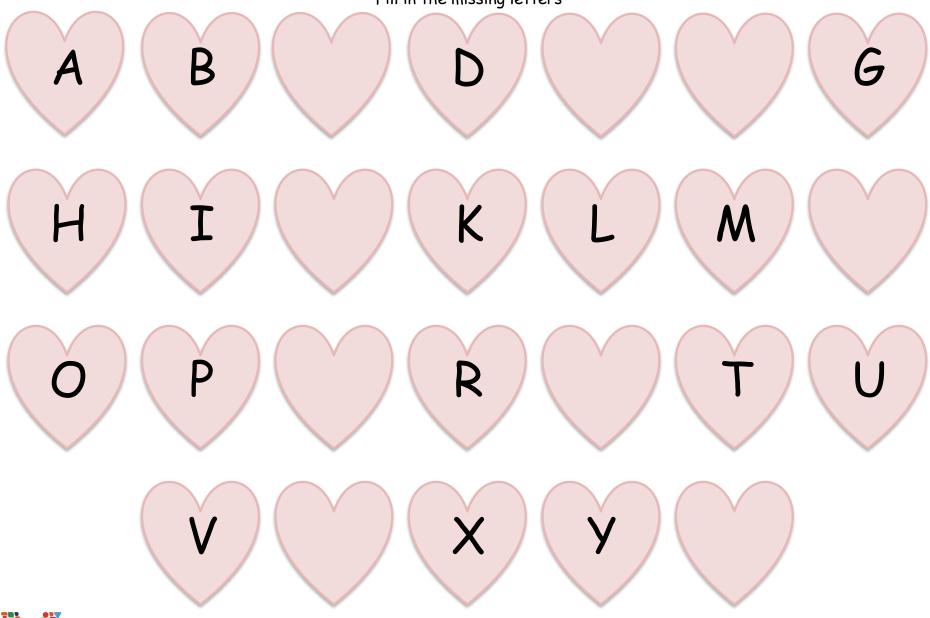
- Click, Clack, Moo I Love You by Doreen Cronin from Vaughan Public Libraries
- Porcupining: A Prickly Love Story by Lisa Wheeler from Tumble Book Library





Missing Letters

Fill in the missing letters





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Valentine Songs

<u>Do You Know That I Love You</u> *Tune: Muffin Man*

Do you know that I love you? That I love you, that I love you? Do you know that I love you? So, I give you a great big hug

Other verses: So, I give you a great big kiss; So, I tickle you like this

H-E-A-R-T

Tune: Bingo To show you like your special friends, Just give them each a heart. H-E-A-R-T, H-E-A-R-T, H-E-A-R-T, Each heart says I like you!

<u>Be My Valentine</u>

Tune: Mary Had A Little Lamb

You're a special Friend of mine Friend of mine Friend of mine You're a special Friend of mine Be my valentine!

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