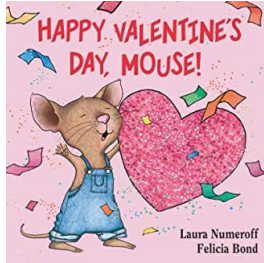


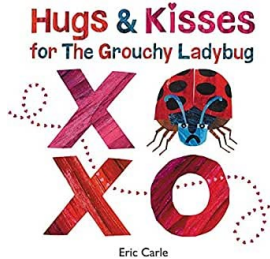
The Be **READY** Rover Review

February 2023 - Storytime— Valentine's Day!

READ



Happy Valentine's Day, Mouse!
by Laura Numeroff and Felicia Bond



Hugs & Kisses for the Grouchy Ladybug
by Eric Carle

TALK

Why do we make valentines? Who would you make a valentine for? What would it say? What does Mouse use to make his Valentines?

SING

We sang "H-E-A-R-T", (to the tune of "B-I-N-G-O"); "I made a valentine for you, the heart shape says I love you. H-E-A-R-T (3x), the heart shape says I love you." We also sang the **Barney song**; "I love you, you love me, we're best friends like friends should be, with a great big hug and a kiss from me to you, won't you say you love me, too?"

WRITE

The children made a Valentine for a person of their choice. They used a glue stick to attach a heart-shaped paper doily to a piece of construction paper, glued on a pre-printed message, then decorated the valentine with markers and small paper hearts.

PLAY

The children used "brain noodles" (they look like giant pipe-cleaners!) to make different shapes, ending with learning how to make the heart shape.

More Fun!



Cut large shapes from construction paper and help the children make shape puppets from paper bags. After they finish, ask each child to name the shapes they see on their puppet.



GROUNDHOG DAY is February 2nd! Turn a brown heart shape upside down for the face, use other hearts for the ears and teeth. Let the children cut a strip of green paper into grass and glue to a toilet paper roll. Glue a craft stick to the head so he can pop up and down. Shine a light on him as he pops up. Do the children see his shadow?



Paper Doily Heart Suncatchers

Let the children paint heart-shaped paper doilies with water colors. Hang them in a window or string them together for a Valentine garland.

ATTENTION!

We welcome **Leah Kistler!**

Leah recently graduated from Kutztown University with a degree in Library Science, and is very excited to join the BRR team! Our heartfelt thanks go to Mr. George Matthew, for "filling in " for the last 6 months!

EASY Crafts



Attach a heart shape to paper with painter's tape. Use clothespins to grip cotton balls, and let the children dip them into paint and cover the whole page, including the heart. Remove the heart

Now you have 2 Valentines!



Valentine's Day Love Bug
PRESCHOOL NAME CRAFT
from the teachers.com



Use straws for the antennae.



Tie-Dye Suncatchers

Children drop liquid watercolors or diluted food coloring on paper towels. Dry on a rack, then cut heart shapes out of black paper and tape over the paper towels.



From Pinterest

Check out last February's Storytime Video; <https://youtu.be/tyY82Q78ass>. At 23:25 min. there is a demonstration of how to make a handprint cardinal picture with the children. They add snow using white paint and Q-tips.