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The history of this day



Valentine's Day started in the time of the Roman Empire. In ancient Rome, February 14th was a holiday to honor Juno. Juno was the Queen of the Roma<mark>n</mark> Gods and Goddesses. The Romans also knew her as the Goddess of woman and marriage. The following day, February 15th, began the Feast of Lupercalia. On the eve of the festival of Lupercalia the names of roman girls were written on slips of paper and placed into jars. Eac young man would draw a girl's name from the jar and they were partners fo the duration of festival. In Great Britain, Valentine's Day began to be popularly celebrated around the seventeenth century. By the middle of

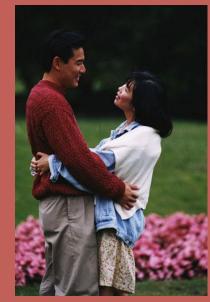
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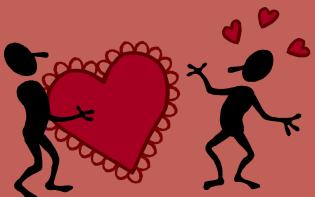
Charles, Duke of Orleans, was one of the earliest creators of valentines, called "poetical or amorous addresses" From his confinement in the Tower of London after the Battle of Agincourt in 1415, he sent several

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Arriving this longawait day-this is the saint Valentines
Day.Decire you look the marriage its grandson.

Valentines symbols

Ornament for early valentines were made by hand. Each had a special meaning. A fan meant "Open up your heart". A ribbon meant "You are tied up" on "You are my girl".



Rice meant a wedding. A ring meant a wedding too, or an engagement. A coin meant the person would married someone wealthy.

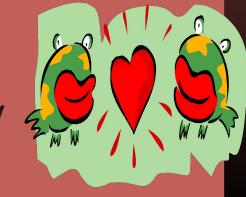
Hearts are most common romantic symbols. Candy, cookies, and even cakes are made in heart shapes for



Good morrow, Valentine, First this yours, then this mine, Please to give me white And live entire od morning to and blue.

I have a little Valentine That someone sent to me. It's pink and white And red

you, Valentine Curl your locks as I do mine, One before and 3 two behind, Good



This holiday nowaitys.

Valentine's Day grows more and more popular in many countries of the world. Some people have already begun to celebrate it in Russia. They try to imitate European Valentine customs and want to know more about their origin. But, as with many bustoms, algorithms is the S. Vainting, s Dagy when boys, and girls, friends and neighbors, husbands and wives, sweethearts and lovers