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Valentine's Day has come and gone for this year, and I only got one _____Adjective_____ present. That may sound like I'm complaining, but _____Noun_____ not, for it was the most _____Adjective_____ gift I have ever received on that _____Adjective_____ day.

Commercialism has _____Verb Past Tense_____ many of our annual celebrations---Easter, Christmas, Mother's Day, Father's Day. The true meaning is often lost in advertising hype. There are ready-made cards for every occasion, so it's easy to pick someone else's words and _____Verb Base Form_____ them to a loved one. That's what was different about the card that went with this present---it was hand made. My _____Noun_____ was the first to inform me of its arrival, late in the afternoon.

"_____Noun_____, I'm ringing you about a surprise. A Valentine's Day card is here for _____Noun_____. I _____Verb Past Tense_____ down to check the mail-box and it was just there. Isn't that exciting?"

"That's great darling. I wonder who it's _____Noun_____?" Who would send me a card, addressed to my parent's place? A _____Noun_____ from my University days, perhaps?

"Come up to Nanna's, and open it?"

_____Verb Present ends in ING_____ along reminded me of the conversation I'd had with my daughter after lunch. I'd been dropping

her off to her grandparents for the afternoon.

"So, _____Proper Noun_____, do you know what day it is today?"

"No, _____Proper Noun_____."

"It's Valentine's Day."

"What's Val-in-tynes Day?"

"It's a special day where people send _____Noun_____ and _____Noun_____ and _____Noun_____ to those they love. But they don't have to tell them who its from---though some do."

"Why wouldn't they want them to know?" What an _____Adjective_____ question. I paused to analyse the Valentine's Day tradition before offering a reason.

"I guess that way it's kind of a mystery and makes it exciting."

By the time I _____Verb Past Tense_____, I still wasn't certain who the gift _____Verb Past Tense_____ from, but I _____Verb Past Tense_____

to have a few suspicions. Sarah ran up to me after I _____Verb Past Tense_____ in the front door, and held out a small envelop with a huge bulge in it. There was ample sticky-tape around the top to keep it all in. I took the tiny _____Noun_____ and examined it closely. My name and address were on the front in hand-writing that looked familiar. On the back were a series of love-hearts---red, green, blue, orange, pink and black---larger ones at the bottom and some tiny ones at the top. One large pink heart had a bow drawn across its middle. I looked at my mother and she smiled.

"Isn't it good you got a _____Noun_____, Daddy?"

"Yes its _____Adjective_____, but let's see who it's from." I carefully opened it and extracted its _____Adjective_____ contents.

"A _____Adjective_____ _____Noun_____, a _____Noun_____ _____Noun_____, and a lovely _____Noun_____ _____Noun_____. What wonderful _____Noun_____. Now let's see what the _____Noun_____ says. 'Dear _____Proper Noun_____ _____Proper Noun_____ _____Proper Noun_____, I love you and wish you a happy Valentines Day. Love from ?' And there's another pink love-heart with a bow down the bottom."

"It must be a _____Noun_____ _____Noun_____ Daddy."

"Yes, and someone who obviously loves me very much."

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