

West Plains Housing Authority

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Live in harmony with one another; be compassionate and humble.



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HAPPY
Valentine's Day

Jerry's Journal

Greetings Residents!

One month closer to spring! I am ready. I can almost hear the garden calling my name. I am ready for the new beginnings that come with spring.

Remember each day is a gift. Use it to its full potential.

If you need help with paperwork, have questions or any issues that concern you, please come by or call the main office (417-256-6663) and choose extension 207. If I do not answer, please leave your name and number and I will call you to schedule an appointment. My email address is wpharic@gmail.com. I am here to help YOU! There is never a silly question.

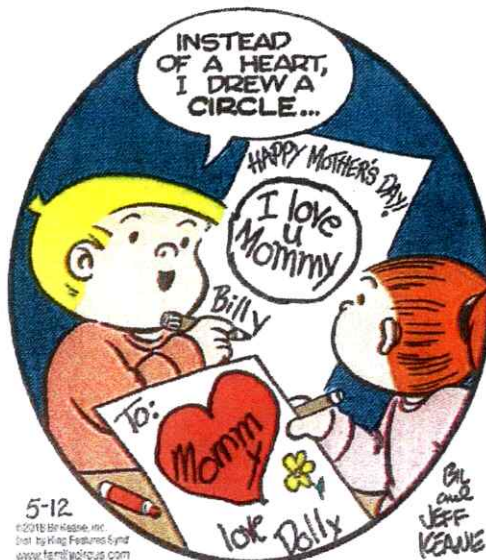
Jerry

"Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young."

- Henry Ford

Dates to Remember:

- WPHA offices will be closed on Monday, February 16th, for Presidents' Day.



"A heart can be broken, but a circle goes on forever."

WPHA Staff

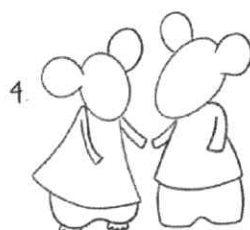
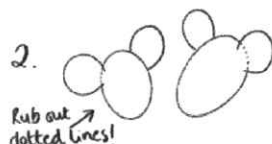
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A big "WELCOME" to our new residents! We are glad to have you with us. We look forward to getting to know you.

How to draw a cute pair of valentines mice



← Paint your mice and add any cute details you like!

7 Rules of Life

1. SMILE

It always works out in the end!

2. BE KIND

You have the power to make people feel good!

3. DON'T GIVE UP

If it doesn't work the first time, find another way!

4. DON'T COMPARE

Everyone's on a different journey!

5. AVOID NEGATIVITY

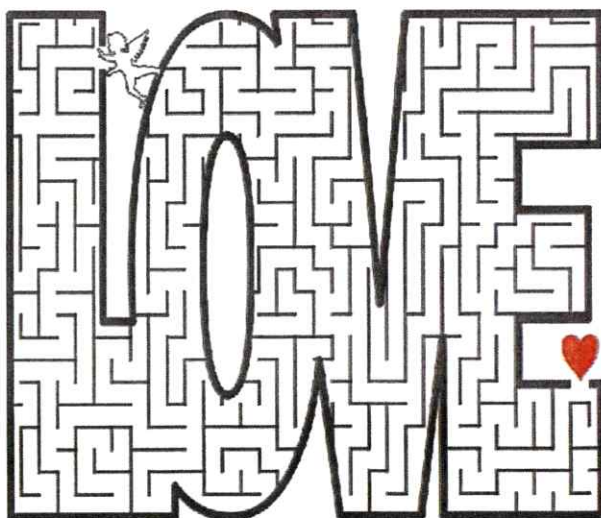
Avoid negative thoughts, situations, and people!

6. MAKE PEACE WITH YOUR PAST

Focus on being present and creating a better future!

7. TAKE CARE OF YOUR BODY AND MIND

One struggles to survive without the other!



What's Cooking?

7-Up Biscuits

½ cup butter, melted

4 ¼ cups Bisquick

1 cup 7-Up

1 cup sour cream

Preheat oven to 425°. Pour the melted butter into the bottom of a 9x13 baking dish.

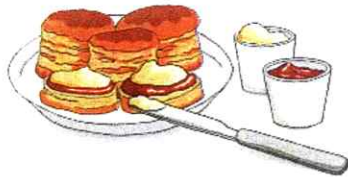
In a large bowl, mix the Bisquick, 7-Up, and sour cream together until dough is formed. The dough will be soft and sticky.

Sprinkle additional biscuit mix over your work area. Turn the dough out, and fold and work the dough just a little bit until it is easier to work with. Then, pat the dough out into a 1-inch thick circle.

Dip a biscuit cutter in the biscuit mix, then use it to cut out the biscuits. Place the biscuits in the baking dish on top of the melted butter.

Bake the biscuits for 12-15 minutes or until light golden brown. Brush the tops with additional melted butter, if desired.

*You can do half a recipe in a 9-inch pan and bake for about 10 minutes.



Cheesy Hamburger Rice Casserole

1 pound ground beef

1 (10.75 ounce) can cream of mushroom soup

1 (14.5 ounce) can diced tomatoes with juice

½ cup long grain white rice

¾ cup shredded mozzarella cheese

Salt and pepper to taste

Crumble the ground beef into a skillet and cook over medium-high heat until browned. Drain off grease, and stir in the cream of mushroom soup, tomatoes, and uncooked rice. Cover and simmer over low heat, stirring occasionally, until rice is cooked, about 15 minutes.

-Preheat the oven's broiler. When the rice is done cooking, transfer contents of the skillet to a casserole dish. Cover with a layer of cheese. Broil until the cheese is melted and toasty. Season with salt and pepper to taste.



4 Ingredient Blueberry Cobbler

3 cups blueberries, fresh or frozen

½ cup granulated sugar

½ cup butter, melted

15.25 yellow cake mix

Preheat oven to 350° F. Spray a 9x13 baking dish with non-stick spray and set aside.

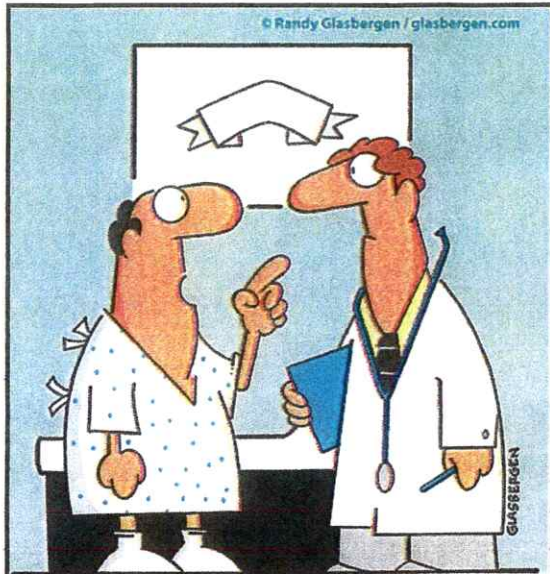
Add the blueberries to the baking dish, top with sugar, stir gently to coat.

In a medium bowl, add the melted butter and cake mix. Stir to combine. Crumble the cake mix over the blueberries.

Bake 40 minutes or until golden and bubbly. Serve with ice cream or whipped cream, if desired.



Just for Fun!



"I would be a lot healthier if you'd stop finding things wrong with me!"

I'm not hard of hearing...
I've just heard enough.

One of the shortest wills ever written: "Being of sound mind, I spent all the money."

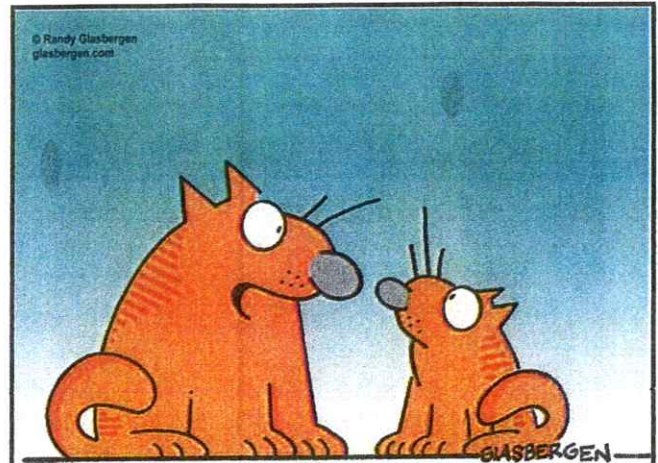
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"What's the world coming to? Everyone at my class reunion had their identity stolen by some old person!"

How does a frog feel when he
has a broken leg?

Unhappy!



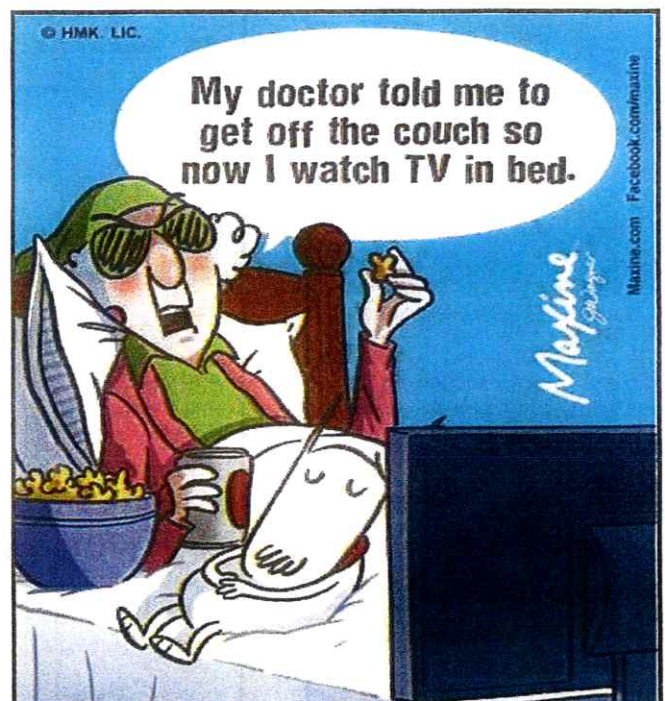
"If at first you don't succeed, take a nap.
When life gives you lemons, take a nap.
When the going gets tough, take a nap."

A guy on the subway showed me a picture of his wife and said, "Isn't she beautiful?"

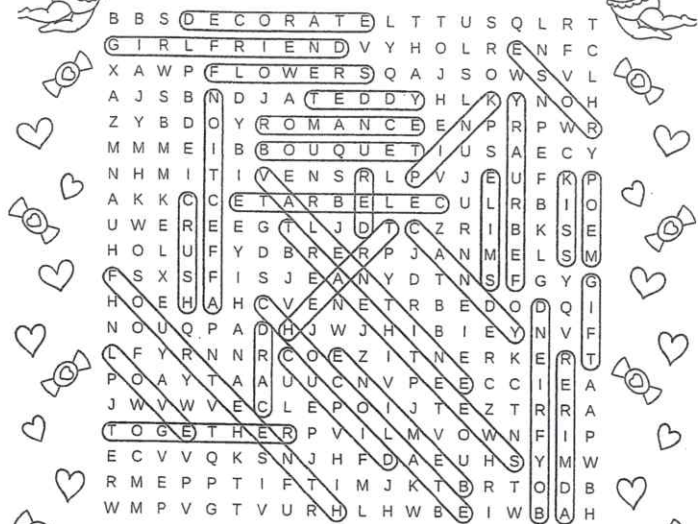
I said, "If you think she is beautiful, you should see my wife."

He asked, "Is she stunning?"

I said, "No, she is an optometrist."



PUZZLE ANSWERS



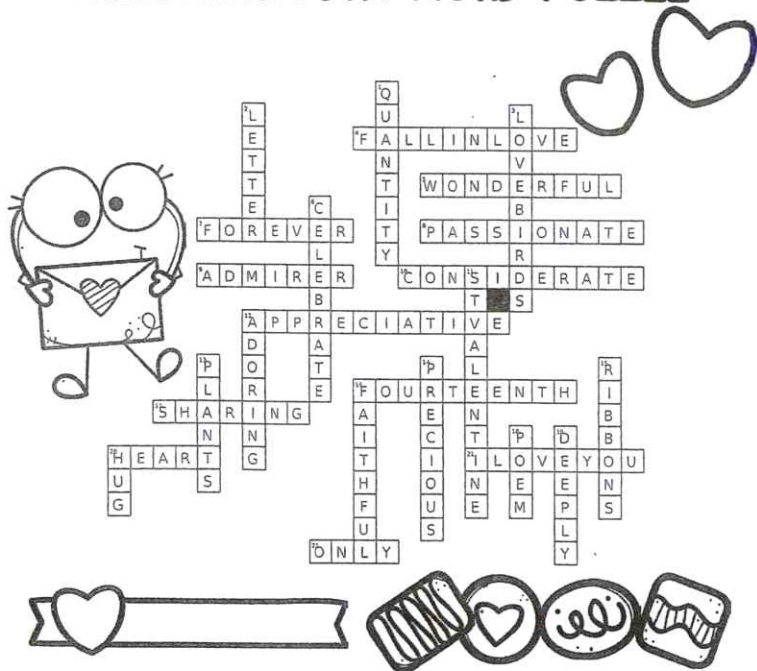
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BOYFRIEND	FEBRUARY	PINK	TOGETHER
CANDY	FLOWERS	POEM	VALENTINE
CARD	FOURTEENTH	RED	
CELEBRATE	GIFT	ROMANCE	

Broadway Shows



VALENTINE'S DAY WORD PUZZLE



ANNIE	EQUUS	MACBETH
APPLAUSE	EVITA	MAME
BARNUM	FOSSE	OKLAHOMA
CABARET	FROZEN	OLIVER
CAMELOT	GREASE	PIPPIN
CAROUSEL	GYPSY	RAGTIME
CATS	HAIR	RENT
CHICAGO	HAMILTON	SEESAW
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VALENTINE'S DAY

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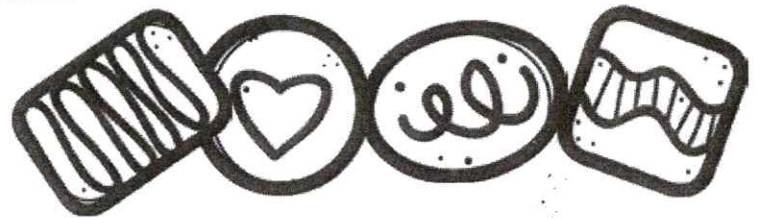
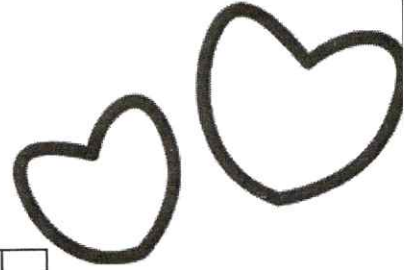
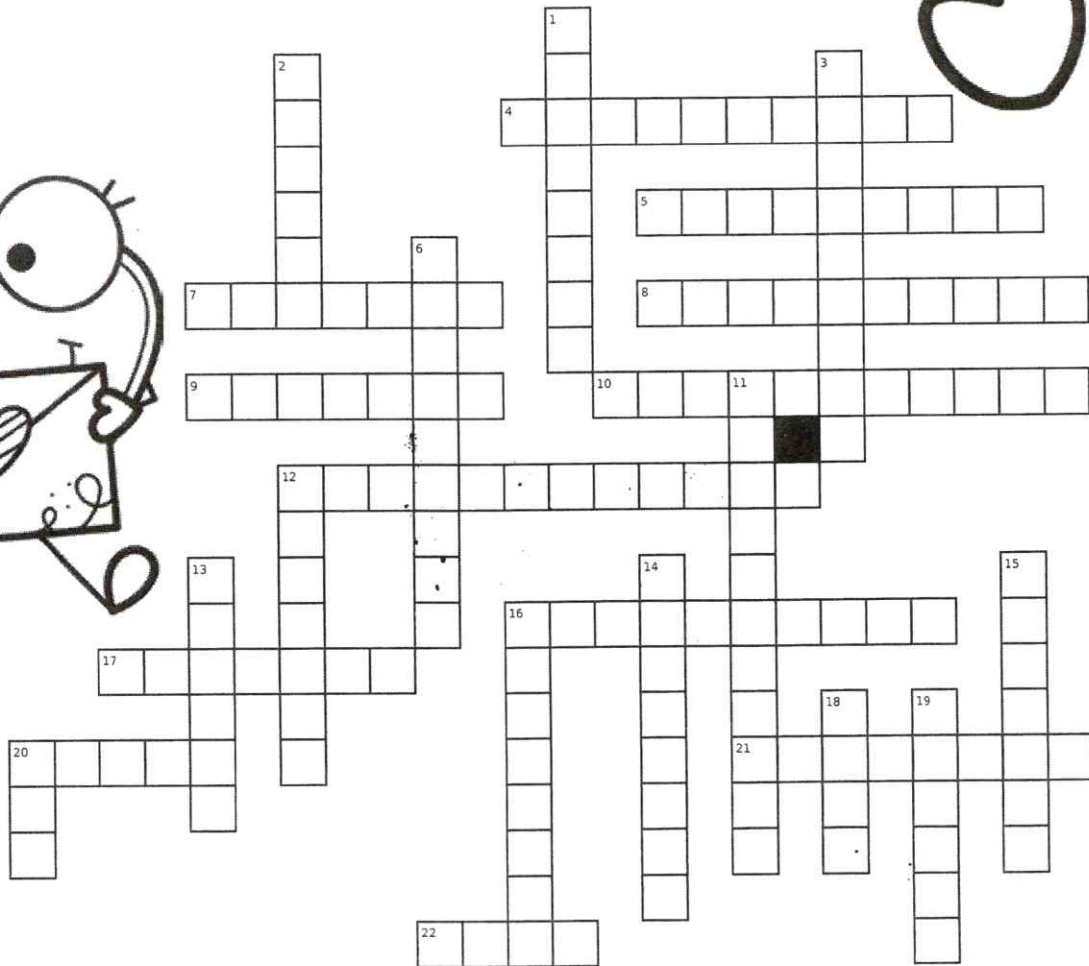
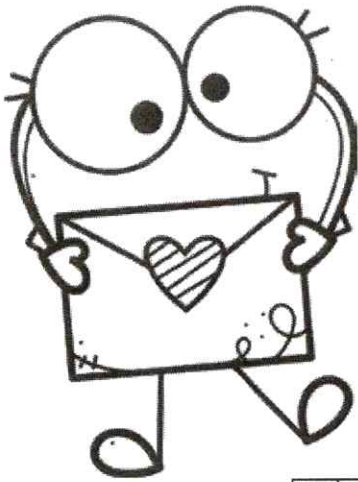
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VALENTINE'S DAY WORD PUZZLE



3 LETTERS

HUG

4 LETTERS

POEM
ONLY

5 LETTERS

HEART

6 LETTERS

PLANTS
DEEPLY
LETTER

7 LETTERS

RIBBONS
ADORING
SHARING
ADMIRER
FOREVER

8 LETTERS

FAITHFUL
QUANTITY
PRECIOUS
I LOVE YOU

9 LETTERS

LOVEBIRDS
CELEBRATE
WONDERFUL

10 LETTERS

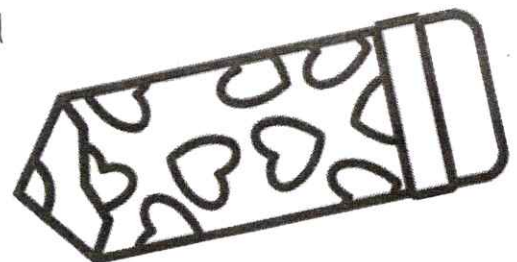
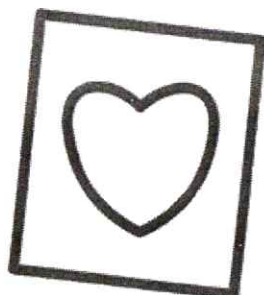
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FALL IN LOVE

11 LETTERS

ST. VALENTINE
CONSIDERATE

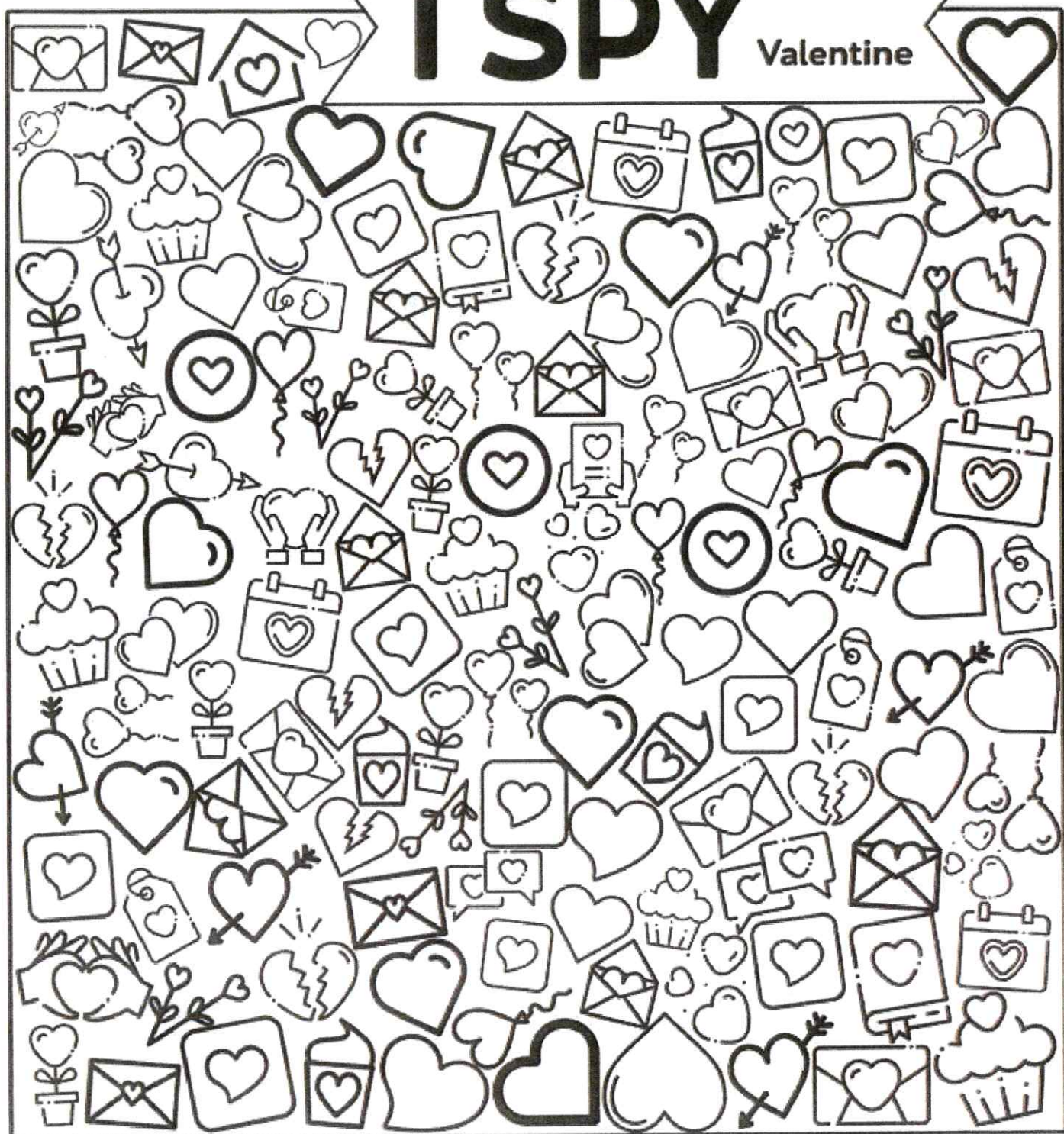
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Valentine



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