

UNIT 60

Valentine's Day



I. Express Yourself

The Story

James loves Lucy.
Lucy loves Mike.
Mike loves himself.

II. Vocabulary

Match the word with its correct meaning.

be addicted to

present

customary

thoughtful

a. in keeping with custom, or usage; usual; habitual

b. careful, attentive, esp. considerate of others: kind

c. to exhibit, to show, to display

d. enthusiastically devoted to a particular thing or activity

III. Conversation Practice

Practice the conversation with your teacher by doing a role play.

Larry: Happy Valentine's Day, Miho. Here's some chocolate for you.

Miho: Thanks, Larry! That's very sweet of you. I love chocolate.

Larry: I was going to get you flowers, but I know you like chocolate.

Miho: Yes, I think ***I'm addicted to*** chocolate.

Larry: Me, too. So, you have to open it soon so I can have some.

Miho: <Ha Ha> OK, I will. Did you know that in Japan it's the woman who gives chocolate to the man?

Larry: I didn't know that. That's interesting. I like that way better.

Miho: <Ha Ha> I thought you would. In Japan, the custom is for the woman to ***present*** it, because in Japan traditionally a woman can tell someone how she feels only on Valentine's Day. And chocolate ***symbolizes*** her love towards him. Moreover, Japanese women usually ***dish out*** many chocolates even at the workplace. Of course this is not out of love, but rather a sense of social obligation. So, this is called "obligation chocolate."

Larry: "Obligation Chocolate"?! Strange. In America it's different. It's ***customary*** for the man to give it to his ***sweetheart***.

Miho: That sounds so sweet and romantic!

Larry: It's interesting that the same holiday in different cultures can have different meanings.

Miho: Yes, it is. Thanks again for the chocolate. It was very ***thoughtful*** of you.

Larry: My pleasure. Enjoy.



Key Points

<i><u>I'm addicted to chocolate.</u></i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- I'm chocoholic.- I'm dying for chocolate.
<i><u>his sweetheart</u></i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- his love- his lover

IV. Role-play

Talk with your co-worker about the different ways of celebrating Valentine's Day.



Part 2

I. Introduction

Arrange the words to form a meaningful quote.


1	it's love
2	is that person
3	even if
4	You know
5	to be happy,
6	when all you want
7	of their happiness.
8	you're not part

A decorative background for a word puzzle. It features a red background with various Valentine's Day motifs: hearts of different sizes and colors (pink, white, red), gold and red ribbons, and gift boxes. The text "Arrange the words to form a meaningful quote." is at the top. Below it is a table with 8 rows and 2 columns. The background is decorated with hearts, ribbons, and gift boxes.

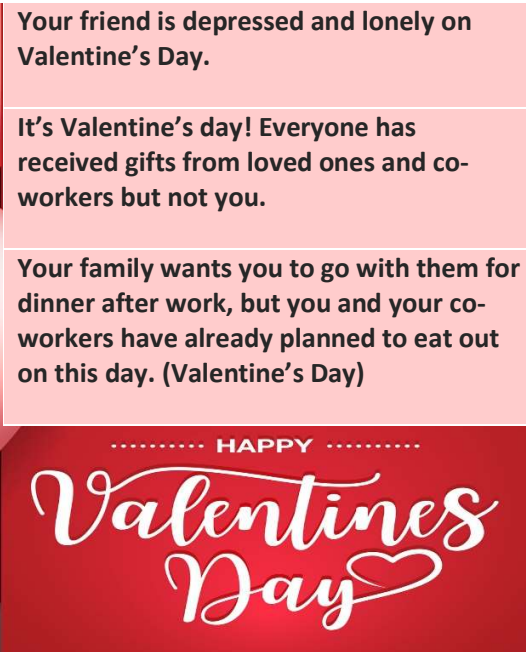
II. Discussion

Exercise A

What is the best thing to do in the following situations?

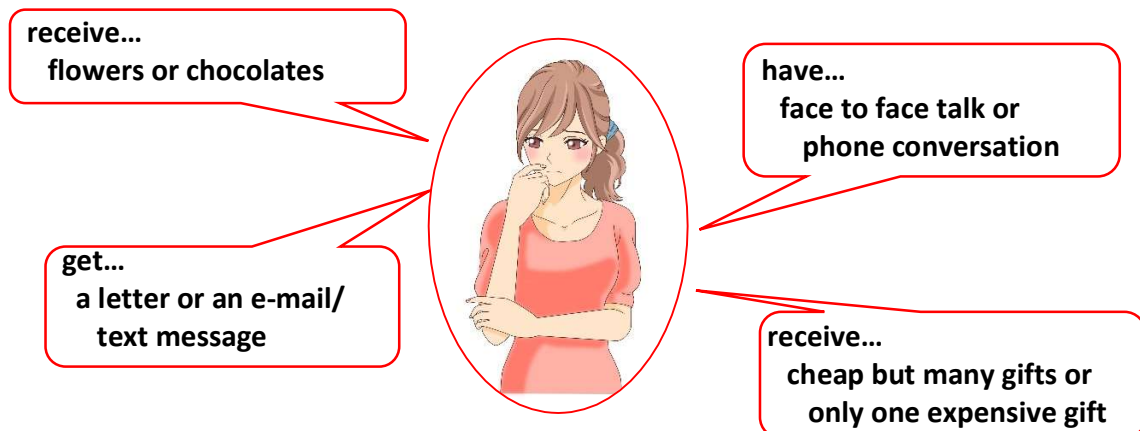


Your friend is depressed and lonely on Valentine's Day.
It's Valentine's day! Everyone has received gifts from loved ones and co-workers but not you.
Your family wants you to go with them for dinner after work, but you and your co-workers have already planned to eat out on this day. (Valentine's Day)



Exercise B

Would you rather...?



receive...
flowers or chocolates

get...
a letter or an e-mail/
text message

have...
face to face talk or
phone conversation

receive...
cheap but many gifts or
only one expensive gift

 **Exercise C**

Role-play

You are planning to have a date with your boyfriend/girlfriend on Valentine's Day. You don't want him/her to feel disappointed but you don't know exactly what to do.

Happy Valentine's Day

Talk to your friend and ask for some advice.

