



Love is in the Air



1. Valentine's Day has its history in...

- A matchmaking festival in Ancient Greece.
- Two different Ancient Roman holidays that merged into one.
- The Hallmark card company in America.

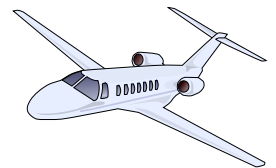
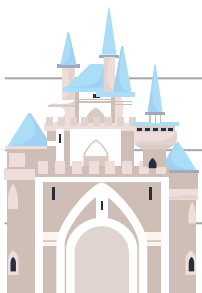
2. How did St. Valentine, a Christian priest, make the emperor angry?

- He spoke against the tradition of flogging women with goat skins.
- He didn't believe in matchmaking dates.
- He secretly married couples.

3. The rule at Amanda's old school was that if you wanted to bring a Valentine for one person, you had to bring one for everyone in the class. Do you think that's a good rule? Why/why not?



4. Would you rather have your own private plane, or a private day at Disneyland? Why?



5. Below are some pros and cons of Valentine's Day. Tick the statements that you agree with.



PROS

- It's nice to spend a day focused on celebrating and being grateful for those we love.
- It feels good to make someone happy.
- Chocolates are always on sale the day after!



CONS

- We should express our love and gratitude every day, not once a year.
- It's crazy to spend so much money.
- It can be a very hard day for people who are lonely.

6. Analyse your answers above. Do you think we should celebrate Valentine's Day? Why/why not?

7. Here's a challenging maths question. If Australians spend \$400 million on Valentine's Day, and there are 26 million people, about how much is that per person? How would you work it out? (Hint: pretend it's just \$400 and 26 people)