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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

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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."