



Writing Valentines

How Sweet!

Beginner: Create Valentine's cards for the special people in your life, encouraging your child to draw pictures, print simple words, and the recipient's name.

[Tip]: Brainstorm words such as love, happy, hugs, and have your child practice writing short words.

Intermediate: Create Valentine's cards with simple messages like, "I love you," "You are special to me/us."

[Tip]: Encourage your child to write slowly and neatly, so recipients can read their card with ease.

Experienced: Come up with personalized messages for your Valentines as a family, and help your child spell difficult words by sounding them out.

[Tip]: Point out unconventional letter sounds like how "ph" sounds like the letter F in words like phone and photo.

Why is this important? Writing messages of love and appreciation for the special people in our lives is a great way to spread joy while practicing early writing and fine motor skills.

Looking for more information? Check out our website's resources on [Sight Words](#), and [English Letter Sounds](#).

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