

Sara's Valentine's Day



While Sara was finishing her paper heart, her mother walked in and said, "Oh Sara! That is a lovely heart you have there. Who are you making it for?"

Sara blushed slightly and replied, "I'm making it for Colin. Tomorrow is Valentine's Day, and Mrs. Evans said to make a valentine and bring it in for someone special."

Sara's mom smiled slightly. She began thinking about years ago when she was in school. She remembered how it felt to have a crush on a boy in her class. She also remembered how Valentine's Day went for her this year. This remembrance brought back some uneasy memories. Back when Sara's mom was in school, she remembered the heartache that she felt around Valentine's Day. She had made a valentine for a boy, just as Sara had done, and she had not gotten one in return. She thought back to how sad this made her feel, and she wanted to make sure that Sara did not have her hopes set too high.

Sara's mom said, "Now Sara, you know that there is a chance that Colin doesn't feel the same about you. He may not have a valentine for you tomorrow."

Sara lowered her eyes in disappointment. She began to think about how sad she would feel if she had spent all this time on a card for Colin and he had nothing for her. She quickly brushed away the thought and continued working.

That morning Sara woke up excited and anxious. She rushed over to her card, placed it in her backpack, and boarded the bus for school. Once she arrived at school, she sat in her desk as the teacher had instructed. After a few minutes, Mrs. Evans asked everyone to get out his or her valentines. She gave a speech on how if you do not receive a valentine, not to be sad. Mrs. Evans brought in her own special valentines for the students who did not receive one from a peer. As the students began passing out their valentines Sara made her way over to Colin. She stood in front of him, smiled sweetly, and handed him her card. At first, he looked surprised, but that surprised face quickly turned into a smile. He reached into his backpack and grabbed out a sparkly heart for Sara.

Sara smiled, accepted the valentine, and walked back to her seat. Sara spent the rest of the day with a huge grin on her face, and she was so excited to get back home to show her mom.

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Sara's Valentine's Day Multiple Choice Questions

1. What month is Valentine's Day celebrated?

- a. February
- b. January
- c. March
- d. April

2. Who did Sara make the lovely heart for?

- a. her mother
- b. Colin
- c. her father
- d. Mrs. Evans

3. What did Sara do once she arrived at school?

- a. she handed out her Valentine's
- b. she gave a speech
- c. she rushed over to her card, and placed it in her backpack
- d. she sat in her desk as the teacher had instructed

4. What type of Valentine did Colin give to Sara?

- a. a sparkly heart
- b. a baseball card
- c. a robot Valentine
- d. a blank card

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Sara's Valentine's Day Free Response and Writing Activity

Write your answers in complete sentences.

1. Why was Sara excited and anxious when she woke up?

2. Why did Mrs. Evans bring her own Valentines?

3. According to the story, why was Sara's mom sad?

4. What was Sara so excited to show her Mom? Why?
