Valentine's Day Language Arts



What's Included

Each domain will have 3-4 activities.

The domains are:

- Reading Literature
- Reading Informational
- Writing
- Speaking and Listening
- Language
- Foundational Skills

There will be a mix of:

- partner activities
- whole group activities
- independent activities
- small group options



Standards-Based

All of these activities are standards-based activities. What makes these unique is that they are themed to a holiday or a season!

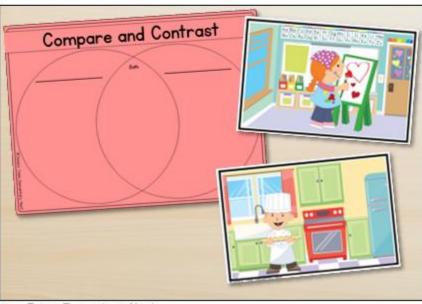
Domain	Skills Hit
Reading Literature: RL	RL.K.7- Illustrations RL.K.2- Retelling a Story RL.K.9- Compare and Contrast RL.K.3- Sequencing Events
Reading Informational: RI	RI.K.I- Asking Questions RI.K.8- Author's Point and Reasons RI.K.9- Compare and Contrast RI.K.2- Main Topic
Writing: W	W.K.5- Editing and Expanding Writing W.K.5- Editing Mistakes in Writing W.K.3- Narrative Writing W.K.3- Narrative Writing
Speaking & Listening: SL	SL.K.I- Collaborative Conversations SL.K.3- Asking Questions SL.K.5- Adding Drawings to a Story
Reading Foundational Skills & Language: RF, L	RF.K.3.b- Long and Short Vowels RF.K.2.e- Letter Substitution L.K.5.a- Sorting Objects into Categories L.K.5.c- Connections

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Reading Literature









Reading Informational

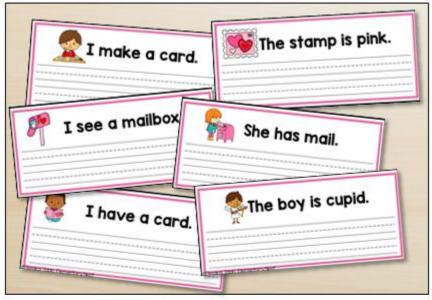


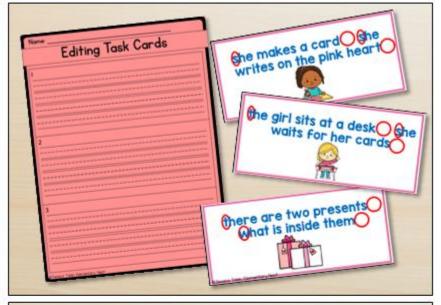




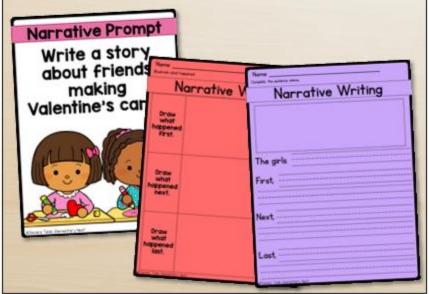


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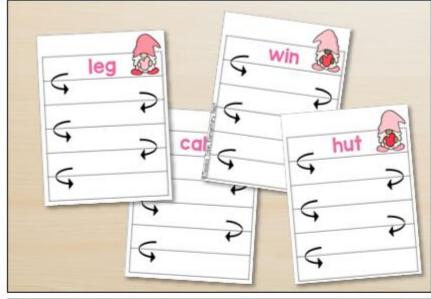






Foundational Skills & Language

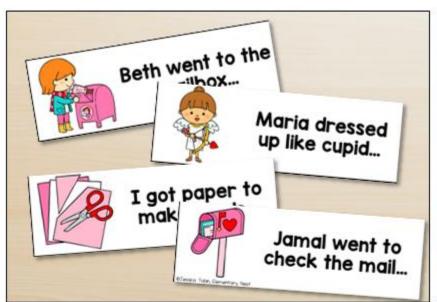








Speaking & Listening







Instructions Included

Each domain comes with 3-4 activities.

These activities are explained in detail with a teacher instruction page.
Consider this your mini lesson guide page!

Speaking & Listening Activities

Activity |: Collaborative Conversations (SL.K.I)

Students will sit in a circle of four children. They will all face each other. When the teacher displays a story starter strip on the board, student I will tell 2 sentences about this story to start it off. Then, they will take turns adding one sentence to the story until they work their way around the circle at least one time. Repeat for three more story starter cards.



Activity 2: Asking Questions (SLK.3)

Teacher will display one picture card and one question card at random. He or she will model and practice asking questions for the first set. Then, have students turn and talk with a nearby partner to ask questions about the next random sets of cards.



Activity 3: Adding Drawings to a Story (SL.K.5)

Partner I will draw an event card out of a pile and tell a short story about this event card. Partner 2 will listen and draw the story he or she sees in their mind. Then, they will share the illustration and Partner I will clarify if that's what he or she originally saw in his or her mind.



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RL Activities

Activity |: Illustrations (RLK.7)

Students will participate in a Mix-Pair-Share activity. The teacher will display a picture and read the sentence. Students will mix up around the room, pair up with a new partner, and share if the illustration matches the sentence or if it doesn't match.



Activity 2: Retelling a Story (RLK.2)

Students will each receive a book or will buddy read the book with a partner. Teacher and students will read aloud book as a whole group three times. Then, the teacher will ask questions for the students to answer with a partner.



Activity 3: Compare and Contrast (RL.K.9)

The teacher will create a Venn diagram on the white board (or display one given below under document camera). Students will help teacher complete a Venn diagram about the two pictures. Students will study the pictures, noticing what the characters are doing, then compare their adventures.



Activity 4 Sequencing Events (RLK.3)

Students will sit knee-to-knee with a partner. The teacher and class with chorally read the mini book three times. Then, the partners will try to read together without the teacher. After that, teacher will guide students to illustrate the events that happened at the beginning, middle, and end of the story.



RI Activities

Activity | Asking Questions (RI.K.I)

One at a time, teacher will show a picture on the board during Mix-Pair-Share. Students will mix up around the room, pair up with a new partner, and ask one question about each picture. Repeat for all four pictures.



Activity 2: Author's Point and Reasons (RIK.8)

Teacher will read point and reasons strips. Then, he or she will ask students if the given point matches the given reason. Students will listen, then show their pink check or red X to show if they agree with the teacher's question.



Activity 3: Compare and Contrast (RI.K.9)

Students will participate in a Mix-Pair-Share activity. They will mix up around the room, pair up with a new partner, and share one similarity and one difference in the two pictures the teacher displays. Repeat with all comparison cards.



Activity 4 Main Topic (RIK.2)

Teacher will read aloud a text task card to the students. After each text is read one at a time, students will participate in a Mix-Pair-Share activity. They will mix up around the room, pair up with a new partner, and share the main topic and key detail from each text.



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Writing Activities

Activity I: Editing and Expanding Writing (W.K.5)

Students will pull a sentence strip out of a pile with a partner. They will read the sentence aloud together, then decide how to add more detail to that sentence. They will rewrite the sentence below, then trade with a nearby group to compare sentences.



Activity 2: Editing Mistakes in Writing (W.K.5)

Students will work with a partner for this activity. They will draw a task card with a week or incorrect sentence with correction circles on it. They will rewrite the sentence on their recording sheet. Each circle must be fixed. After they copy the sentences correctly, they must add their own to expand on detail.



Activity 3: Narrative (W.K.3)

Teacher will display an action card. The students will participate in a Mix-Pair-Share activity. They will mix up around the room, pair up with a new partner, and share how they think the character feels in the picture. Repeat for all six cards.



Activity 4: Narrative (WK.3)

Teacher will display the prompt on the board. Teacher will then allow students to work on their brainstorming paper independently. Then, students will take their illustrations and notes from the brainstorming step and add sentences to them. Then, students will transfer their brainstorming draft paper onto a piece of writing paper for their final copy.



Language & RF Activities

Activity I: Long and Short Vowels (RFK.3b)

Students will work with partners or in a small group. They will draw a laminated card from the pile and say the word within the animal's heart. They will determine if it's a long or short vowel and circle. Then, they will check with a nearby group to verify their answers.



Activity 2: Letter Substitution (RF.K.2e)

Students will work with a partner to complete the word ladder by changing the letter that is being pointed to. Teacher will remind students that nonsense words about allowed as long as they can read their list after.



Activity 3: Sorting Objects into Categories (L.K.5.a)

Students will work with a partner or small group to draw a picture card and decide where each Valentine's Day item belongs. They will have a nearby partner group check their work after.



Activity 4 Connections (L.K.5.c)

Students will match the picture card to the adjective word card. They will use their background knowledge and real-life connections about the objects and the words to make the match.



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