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Love Bug

#### Dear Boys and Girls

I'm so very pleased to say that Grandpa Ben's suggestion helped Timid Timothy tremendously and for the first time in a while he was less nervous to meet all the new children who visited Never-ending Stories at the beginning of the term.

He wanted me to ask if it helped you and if you made a new friend or two.

All my love

Martha Mouse

### Making a Love Bug Get Mom & Dad to help you

#### Here's what you'll need...

- Construction paper
- Paper cup
- Polystyrene ball
- Red paint
- Black paint
- Black craft foam
- Red craft foam
- Pipe cleaners
- Wiggle eyes
- Glue
- Heart hole punch

#### Here's how you make it ...

- 1. Glue the ball to the bottom of the cup. Paint the cup red and the ball black. Leave to dry.
- 2. Use the heart punch to make small black foam hearts. Glue these to the cup.
- 3. Use a short length of chenille stem folded in half and then stuck on top of the ball as the antennae. Punch 3 red foam hearts. Stick one red heart to each end of the antennae and one to the centre of the ball as the nose.
- 4. Stick on the wiggle eyes to finish.

#### Collage with letters

Sally Scribbler is secretly trying to make a collage for Martha Mouse for Valentine's Day.

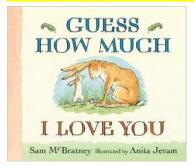
Make your own collage using all the letters in the word FEBRUARY.

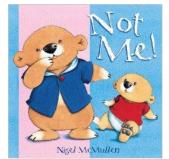
You can send them to Martha Mouse if you like ©.

Remember not to use books but rather old newspapers and magazines.

## **Book Suggestions**

February is the month of love. Love comes in many different shapes and sizes and it is important to find reasons to love everybody and to build strong relationships. Even if it's not always the easiest thing to do.







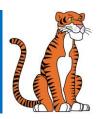
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## How to say 'I love you'!

Confident Charlie is trying to learn all South Africa's different official languages.

See if you can find out how to say 'I love you' in 5 of them.



## **How Never-ending Stories Began**

Time ticked away and before she knew it Martha had been busy for an hour. While locking the cupboard behind her she noticed that a pile of rubbish had appeared in the corner. Wearily she looked up to find that the tiles had finally wedged themselves free and a hole had appeared in the ceiling.

Martha was a little concerned as to Emily's whereabouts not because she was incapable of looking after herself but rather that the wind had suddenly picked up speed. To be honest she slept a lot more peacefully when she knew the younger toys were safely back under her care.

## **Colouring Practice**

Timid Timothy is practising how to colour within the lines. Show him how good you are. Use sharp pencil crayons. Make sure you use colours that start with P, B, Y, R and G.



# **February Facts**

February's gemstone is amethyst February's flower is a violet



Ask mom and dad to help you find pictures of these.