

## TSN SPECIAL (ST. VALENTINE PARTY)

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T. Hello everybody. Today we have a special news report devoted to the holidays and traditions of the country the language of which we study. It's very important to know them for better understanding the history and the life of other people.

*(Слайд — Великобританія)*

We cannot speak about Great Britain without observing some of its traditions and customs. If you arrive to Great Britain you'll hear the word tradition everywhere. An Englishman has a sentimental love for things, customs and traditions. There is even a joke that British people have no thoughts, they have traditions instead. Some of their traditions are commonly known all over the world.

And our news today will be devoted to one of them, one of the most romantic holidays which is celebrated nowadays all over the world,

*(Показ ролика про День св. Валентина.)*

And first of all we ask our reporter to get to know. Why and when did we begin to celebrate this holiday?

### Інтерв'ю з істориками (historians)

St. Valentine is the patron saint of lovers and on the 14<sup>th</sup> of February young men and women declare their feelings to each other. It is interesting to know how this holiday came into being.

The story is that Valentine was a Christian who lived in the third century. The Romans Emperor at that time Claudius the second decided that soldiers must not marry, because married soldiers do not make good soldiers, Valentine worked for the Church and one day he helped a soldier to get married. The emperor said that Valentine had to die because he did wrong. In prison Valentine fell in love with the daughter of a man who worked in prison. The day he died, he sent a note, he wrote "your Valentine".

And now we ask our artists what they can tell us about symbols of our holiday.

### Traditions and Symbols

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|------------|----------|
| • Heart    | • Lace   |
| • Doves    | • Gloves |
| • Ribbons  | • Cupid  |
| • Red Rose | • Rings  |

Where there is Love there is Life...

*Mahatma Gandhi*

### Red Rose

The rose was the flower Venus, the Roman goddess of love. Red is a colour that stands for strong feelings. This is why the red rose is a flower of love.

### Ribbons

Ribbons go back to the days when ladies gave ribbon to their favourite knights when they went to war.

### Lace

Hundreds of years ago, women carried lace handkerchiefs. If a woman dropped her handkerchief, a man nearby might pick it up and return it to her. Sometimes she might drop her lace handkerchief on purpose to encourage romance.

### Gloves

Years ago when a man proposed marriage to a woman, he "asked for her hand". The hand a symbol of marriage and love. Soon gloves also became a symbol of love.

### Lyrics

How many poems are written about love? Some are miserable and lonely. But other are marvelous and devoted. Very often people speak about love in poems. And now let's ask our audience. Who knows poems, songs about St. Valentine's Day.

*(Читання віршів.)*

### Valentine Bowl

Valentine Bowl is a popular game on this day. In the middle ages young men and women drew names from a bowl to see who their Valentine's would be. They would wear these names on their sleeves for one week.

### Contests

*"Find the right word"*

- 1) a part of your body
- 2) a heart shaped
- 3) a man who cared for people
- 4) a boy who shoots arrows
- 5) a kind of flower
- 6) a bunch of flowers
- 7) a friendly look
- 8) used with a bow
- 9) a fancy material
- 10) a kind of candy

- a) chocolates
- b) lace
- c) arrow
- d) bouquet
- e) smile
- f) rose
- g) Cupid
- h) St. Valentine
- i) Valentine
- j) heart

T. Cupid is also a symbol of love. Cupid has a sharp arrow to pierce our hearts with.

*To try to guess lovely pairs.*

*(Слайди)*

1. Майстер та Маргарита
2. Наполеон та Жозефіна
3. Таїсія Повалій та Ігор Лихута
4. Наталя та Віталій Кличко
5. Д'артаньян та Констанція
6. Альоша Попович та Любава
7. Скарлет та Ретт Батлер
8. Новосельцев та Калугіна

### Contest "I and my ideal Valentine"

T. When we choose a friend we do not look only at his or her face, do we? It's interesting for us his or her features of character. What do we want to see in our friend? Do you know yourselves? I want to propose you a game. My assistants will help you. In the first column you will mark your own features and in the opposite — the features you want to see in your friend, in your Valentine. So put a tick opposite every one you have or you want your partner would have.

It is very fashionable nowadays to listen to astrologers, and horoscopes. By the way what do we stars say to us? Here is our horoscope "Love in stars".

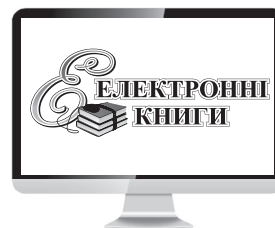
*(Читання віршованих гороскопів.)*

Oh, I am so sorry, it was so difficult to do it and I have destroyed it in a second. So your family life can be destroyed so easily do everything you can to be happy.

Thank you for all your work, smiles and a good mood.

**HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!**

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