



Love

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Love is a sweet book that shows us there are many ways to show and share love.

READ

Before: Introduce the book and tell the children a little bit about it. Follow with a comment or question that is related to the story such as, *what do you think this story is about?* Encourage a discussion so the children can comment, ask questions, and express their feelings. Set the stage for listening by asking an “I wonder” statement based on the cover illustration.

I wonder why they are all making hearts and smiling?

During: Encourage the children to comment on the illustrations, ask questions and predict what will happen next in the story. Children gain confidence and a sense of achievement through being able to correctly predict how a story will end. Point out “rare words” (e.g., those words that are not commonly used in every day conversation) and help the children relate the meaning in a way that makes sense to them.

Rare Words

- fancy – not plain, very expensive
- designer – very fashionable and popular
- bouquet – a group of flowers that are picked and often tied together
- melody – pleasing series of notes
- sparkles – to produce small flashes of light

After: Discuss the story. Ask questions...

- How are the people in the kitchen showing what love is?
- How can you show love to a pet?
- What are some special presents the characters make to share their love with others?
- What does love sound like?
- What is the shape that represents love?
- What are some of the ways love happens at first sight?
- Who do you like to hug the tightest?
- How can you shout love from the rooftops without making a sound?
- Who do you love?



DO

Let's learn some ASL (American Sign Language) to show love.

Using the diagram below, practice signing with your class.



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