

# BET YOU DIDN'T KNOW: VALENTINE'S DAY



<https://youtu.be/neb7dbPW0Sk>

**Watch the video about Saint Valentine's Day and decide whether the following statements are true or false.**

1. Saint Valentine's Day is the most popular holiday in the United States.  
a) True      b) False
2. More than half of Americans celebrate Saint Valentine's Day.  
a) True      b) False
3. The origins of this holiday date back to an ancient Roman fertility festival called *Lupercalia*.  
a) True      b) False
4. *Lupercalia* was celebrated at the beginning of February.  
a) True      b) False
5. The Christian Church chose mid-February for Saint Valentine's Day to Christianize this celebration.  
a) True      b) False
6. There were several Christian clerics named Valentine.  
a) True      b) False
7. Emperor Claudius II forbade marriage because he thought that single men made better soldiers.  
a) True      b) False
8. A cleric called Valentine was sentenced to death for performing wedding ceremonies in secret.  
a) True      b) False
9. Pope Gelasius declared February 14<sup>th</sup> as a date for honouring that cleric at the end of the 6<sup>th</sup> century.  
a) True      b) False
10. Saint Valentine's Day didn't become associated with love and romance until the 1300's.  
a) True      b) False
11. The first written Valentine greetings appeared in the 15<sup>th</sup> century.  
a) True      b) False
12. By the 16<sup>th</sup> century, people in Great Britain had started the tradition of exchanging Valentine cards.  
a) True      b) False
13. In the United States, the first mass-produced Valentine cards emerged in the 1840's.  
a) True      b) False
14. More than 35 million heart-shaped boxes of chocolates are sold in the USA in a typical year.  
a) True      b) False
15. Altogether, Americans spend 30 billion dollars on Saint Valentine's Day.  
a) True      b) False
16. According to a recent survey, as many as 6 million couples are likely to get engaged on February 14<sup>th</sup>.  
a) True      b) False