

Valentine's Day (Idioms)

Exercise 1: Read the example sentences below, and try to guess the meaning of the phrases.

fall head over heels in love with sb

Meg fell head over heels in love with Harry when she met him in 2014, and now they're getting married.

love at first sight

It was love at first sight when I saw Derek walk into the shop. I couldn't stop staring at him.

pop the question

Kevin is planning to pop the question on New Year's Eve. I hope Sara says 'yes'. She will be so surprised because they haven't talked about getting married yet.

only have eyes for sb

Nora: I don't feel comfortable with you spending so much time with other girls.

Paulo: Don't worry, I only have eyes for you.

puppy love

I thought I was going to marry my first boyfriend, who I met when I was 14, but it was only puppy love and soon ended.

the love of my life

We met in 1970, and we were inseparable until the day she died. She was the love of my life, and I'll never find another like her.

love is blind

Mary: I can't believe Kim is still with Fred even though he's so rude.

Gwen: I know, me too. I guess it's true what they say that 'love is blind'.

tie the knot

We're going to tie the knot in Spain next summer and you're invited, so book your flights.

Exercise 2: Match the phrases above to the correct definition below.

- _____ = when you only fancy or love one person and nobody else.
- _____ = the person you have loved romantically most of your life.
- _____ = ask someone to marry you.
- _____ = fall in love the first time you see someone.
- _____ = get married.
- _____ = to develop a strong love for someone very soon after meeting them.
- _____ = when young teenage couples fall in love, but it doesn't last.
- _____ = loving someone so much that you can't see their faults..



Exercise 3:

Let's practise!

Work with your partner and write three or four mini dialogues using some of the expressions you have learnt. See the example below:

A: When are you two lovebirds going to finally tie the knot, and give us all something to celebrate?

B: Oh, we're never even talked about it. If Gav popped the question now, I wouldn't know what to say. I'd be completely shocked.

