

# Newspaper Lessons to Love

When it's cold outside, warm up your students with these fun newspaper activities!



## Heartbreaker Puzzles

1. Ask your students to search the newspaper for five examples of compound words (or words that could be expanded into compounds).
2. Then divide each compound word into its separate words and write the two words on a heart.
3. Cut each heart in two between the two words.
4. Mix up the heart pieces, distribute them and have students try to find the complete compound words.

**Standards Link:** Decoding/Word Analysis: Students understand basic level appropriate words including compound words.

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Each week, the *Kid Scoop Weekly Writing Corner* invites students to submit stories for their own special column. The list of upcoming topics at right will help you to plan how your class will participate.

## WEEKLY WRITING CORNER



### How I Earn Money

How do you earn money? Do you do chores? What kinds of jobs do you do?

**Deadline:** February 2  
**Published:** Week of Mar. 1

### I'm Green

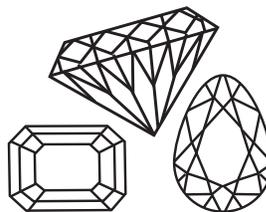
Explain what you do to help the environment. Why is this important to you?

**Deadline:** February 9  
**Published:** Week of Mar. 8

### Woman I Admire

Tell us about a woman you admire and why you chose this woman.

**Deadline:** February 16  
**Published:** Week of Mar. 15



### Diamonds and Gems

*I am brilliant because ...*  
Finish this story.

**Deadline:** February 23  
**Published:** Week of Mar. 22

## WEEKLY WRITING CORNER GUIDELINES

Here are some guidelines to give students a better chance of being published.

1. Keep length between 50 and 100 words.
2. Follow directions for the topic. Creativity is great, but is the entry on topic?
3. Make sure entries are legible.
4. Students' name, school and grade should be on each entry.
5. Screen for appropriateness. We try to avoid potentially embarrassing entries, but sometimes it is not obvious.

*NOTE: Teachers should include a note if an entry is exceptional for a particular student but might not otherwise stand out.*

### WEEK OF FEBRUARY 2

## DENTAL HEALTH

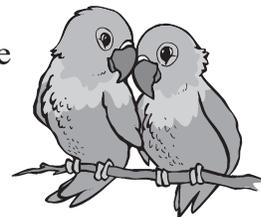


Sparkle and Smile! This week *Kid Scoop* says open wide and takes a look inside the marvelous mouth!

### WEEK OF FEBRUARY 9

## LOVEBIRDS

Lovebirds are a playful and affectionate type of small parrot. They are only about five inches in length and are sometimes called pint-sized bundles of joy. This week's *Kid Scoop* celebrates Valentine's Day with lots of details about lovebirds.



### WEEK OF FEBRUARY 16

## GET THE BUZZ ON BEES!

This week *Kid Scoop* takes a look at bees—they are fascinating critters in their own rights, but they are also essential to the food we eat. We investigate the decline in bee populations and find out how people are working to restore these.

### WEEK OF FEBRUARY 23

## SUPER TUESDAY

Super Tuesday is the Tuesday in a presidential election year when the largest number of states and territories hold a presidential preference primary or caucus. In 2020, Super Tuesday will be held on March 3. This makes it a good week for *Kid Scoop* to explain how primary elections and caucuses work!



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