THINGS YOU WILL NEED:

A box such as regular shoe box
Scissors  tape  glue
Paper ribbon  heart shapes
Glitter  stickers

paper or paint (you choose color)
paper doilies (if you want to use)
artificial flowers (if you want)
YOUR IMAGINATION

Valentine boxes have been made by students in classrooms for many years. They can be done in class or as a home project for the whole family to enjoy. You must first choose a box. Any box will do and you will need an adult to cut a slit in the top of the box to insert valentine cards.

You can use paper to cover your box or paint the box. Choose a valentine color that you like. If you decide to paint your box, you will need to let it dry for several hours before decorating. After you have covered or painted the box, the fun begins!

Many children like to draw their completed valentine box on paper before they begin decorating it. It gives you a plan for your box. When your plan is complete, start the decorating. Use any items you have at home to decorate the box or ask a parent to take you to a store to choose items to decorate your box. Make sure it pleases you. It is your box to use on Valentine’s Day at school. Have a great time!

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What must you do first when making a valentine box?
   a. paint the box  b. choose a box  c. cut a slit in the top  d. none of these

2. Why do many children like to draw their completed valentine box on paper before they begin to decorate?
   a. They like to draw and color.
   b. They like to paint.
   c. It gives a plan to work from.
   d. None of these
3. Why should you let the paint dry?
   a. Wet paint is messy   b. Paint looks better dry.
   c. People like to paint.   d. none of these

4. Why are Valentine boxes used on Valentine's Day?
   a. to put homework in   b. to put books in
   c. to put valentine cards in   d. to put pencils in

5. The fun begins after you have ___________.
   a. painted the box   b. addressed valentines
   c. covered the box with paper   d. both a and c

6. What can you use to decorate your box?
   a. glitter   b. ribbon
   c. stickers   d. all of these

7. What does imagination mean?
   a. You learn some facts about valentine boxes.
   b. You use your mind to create something just for you.
   c. You get someone else to think for you.
   d. None of these

USE THIS SPACE TO DRAW AND MAKE A PLAN FOR YOUR OWN VALENTINE BOX. HAVE FUN!

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