

Valentine Card

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The red paper looked really nice; It would make a fine Valentine. My fold in half was precise. Then I cut on the curvy line. Snip! Snip! Snip!

"Oh, please," I thought, "Please don't rip!"

I wanted to make you the perfect heart, A symetrical, beautiful work of art,

But somehow I sliced the two halves apart!

So, now, I'm sorry to say, I'm just gonna throw it away, Throw this darn card away!

Then I tried to draw you a cupid And a cute little cuddly kitty.

But the cupid looked kind of stupid

And the kitty wasn't so pretty. I tried to draw you a puppy, But the puppy looked more like a guppy.

Then I tried to draw your smiling face, But your eyes and nose looked out of place,

Like some alien from Outer Space. So, now, I'm sorry to say, I'm just gonna throw it away,

And I glued together my knees!

But I only had three words to spell.

Throw this darn card away!

Then I unscrewed the cap,

But the cap fell into my lap

Things weren't going so well,

Gave my Glitter Glue a squeeze,



I scrawled out "I love you,"

But it's hard to write with a tube of glue.

Then something made me sneeze - "Achoo!" -And all around me, glitter flew -

And then the next thing that I knew,

The whole gooey mess was stuck to my shoe! So, now, I'm sorry to say,

I'm just gonna throw it away, Throw this darn card away!

What's that? You say you don't care? You don't really give a hoot If my Valentine heart has a tear?

Or the creatures I drew aren't so cute? And this mess of glitter and glue Is a masterpiece to you?

You say what matters is the thought, You're glad my card was not store-bought, The best Valentine you've ever got. And, now, I hear you say, "I'll never throw it away." Wow! Now, you've made my Valentine's Day!

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