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## Teacher Notes

YouTube Links:

- Poetry Pause with Dr. Kim version includes a short interactive mindfulness introduction before the poem: <https://youtu.be/lwVWVve6ovI>

Use the poem "A Valentine's Day Wish" in various ways:

- As a **bell ringer** or **post-recess moment of focus**. Let the video play while you tidy or prep.
- To introduce or complement your other **Valentine's Day activities**.
- Practice **representing**: ask students to draw one of the activities featured in the poem
- Introduce a **craft activity**: choose one of the activities in the poem and have your students do the activity (rock painting, making cards, etc.).
- Practice or complement **creative writing**: ask your students to list 5 activities they would like to do in a "perfect day". For older students, you can ask them to write a short paragraph about their activities.
- Complement **drama or performing arts activities**: ask students to act out the day they heard about in the poem.
- Introduce or complement **Show & Tell time**: ask students to choose one activity they do with a grandparent or other family member and tell the class about it.

If you have questions or would like to share feedback, please get in touch:

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Happy Teaching, Kim x

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## **A Valentine's Day Wish**

**By Kim T. Harrison**

Let's play some games and tell some tales  
Then follow friends through snowy trails

Let's build a fort and eat some cheese  
Then watch the birds hop through the trees

Let's make a card and paint a rock  
Then sew a face onto a sock

Let's snuggle up and read a book  
Then find our aprons on the hook

Let's bake some cakes and tasty treats  
Then share our yummy homemade sweets

Let's swap a gift and show we care  
Then blow some bubbles in the air

Let's hug goodbye and dream of when  
We'll get to do it all again!

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## About Dr. Kim

Dr. Kim's full name is Kim T. Harrison. She is a writer, poet, and teacher, who was born in England but moved to Canada a long time ago and now lives on the beautiful island of Newfoundland.

Dr. Kim can't help fix a broken leg or a sore throat, but she can prescribe poetry reading and writing activities! She's a "doctor" because she has a PhD in French literature and cultural studies. This means she's read and written about A LOT of books and poems. When she was a kid, her favourite book had lots of different poems in it. She still reads these poems today and now writes her own because she loves the sound and feel of words, and the magic that happens when those words work together to create new worlds.

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