

THE
BEST THING
ABOUT
VALENTINES

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Valentines, valentines,
big ones and small—



I
♥
YOU

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♥♥♥

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BE
MINE
♥♥♥

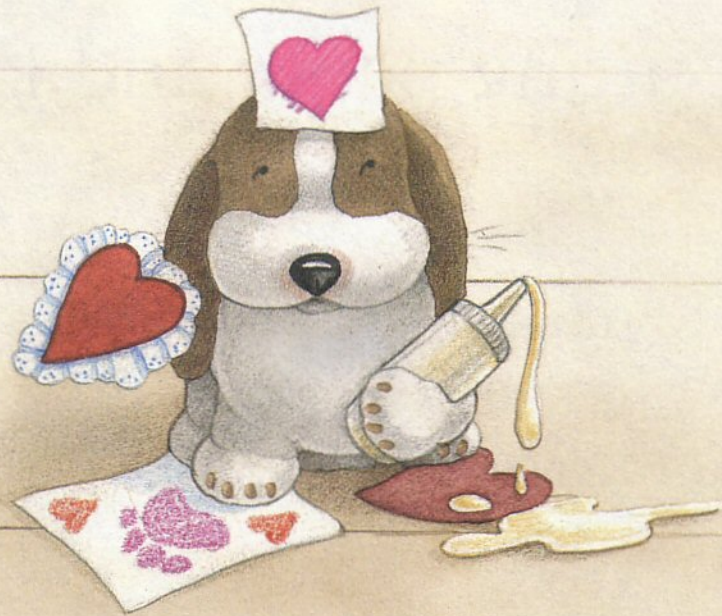
LOVE
♥♥

HAPPY
VALENTINES
DAY!

I love making valentines.
I love it all!
Cutting paper and lace,



smearing glue sticks
and paste.





I LOVE YOU

GLUE

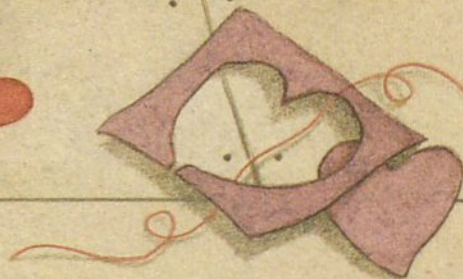
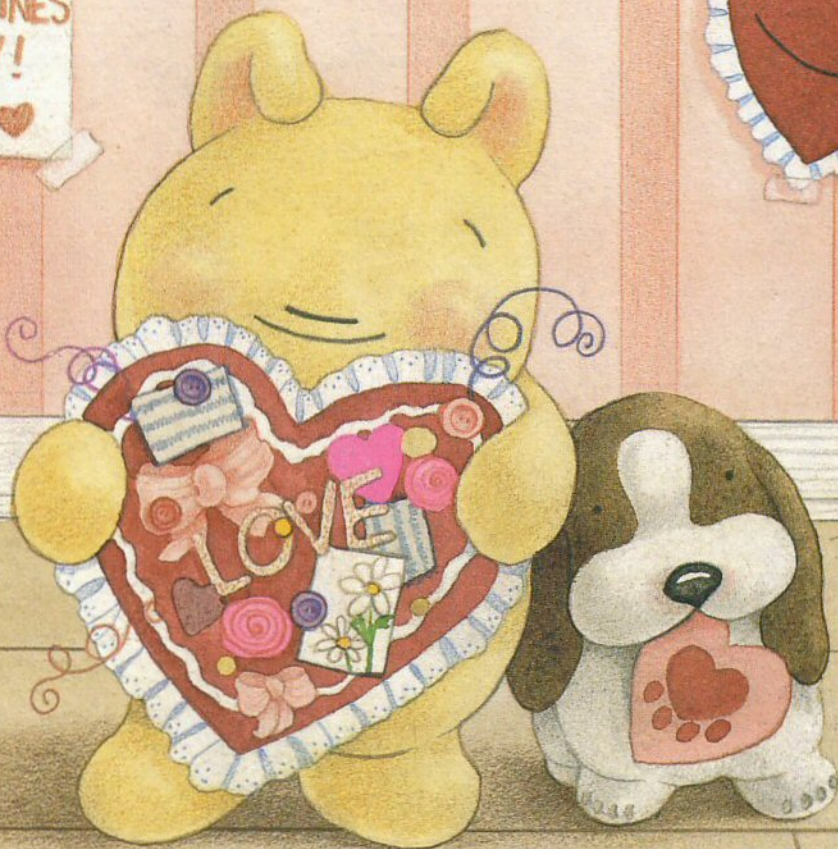
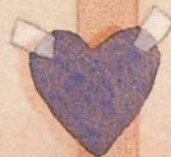
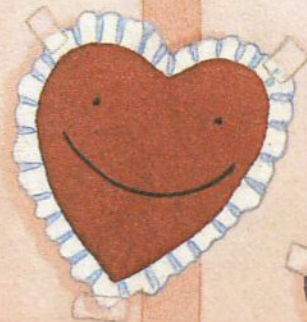
I LOVE YOU

LOVE

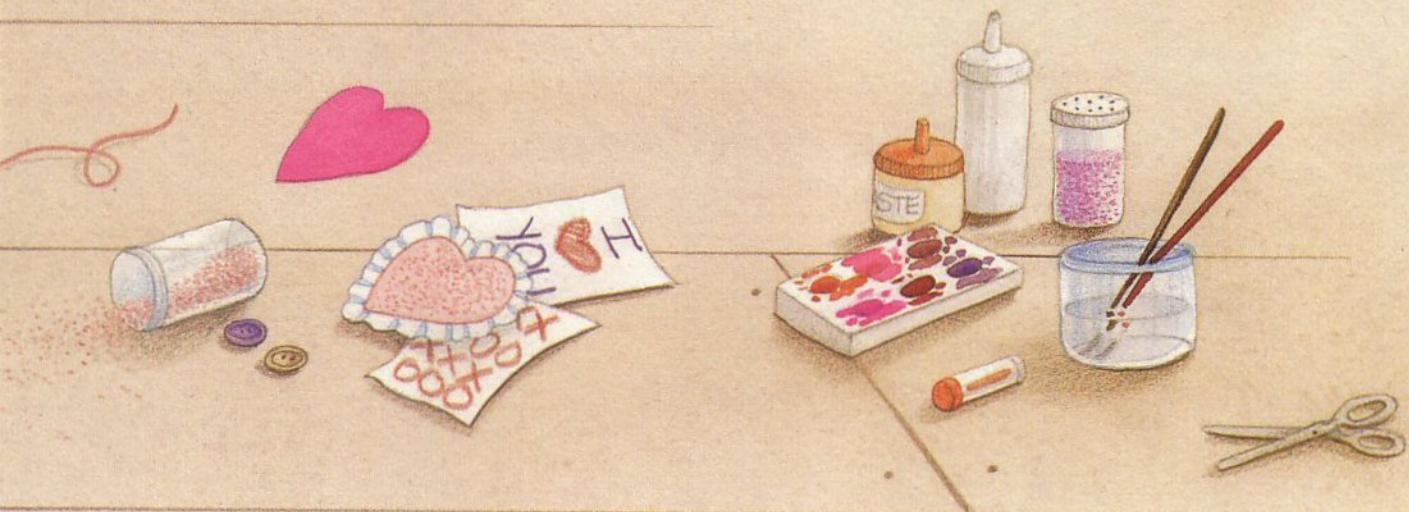
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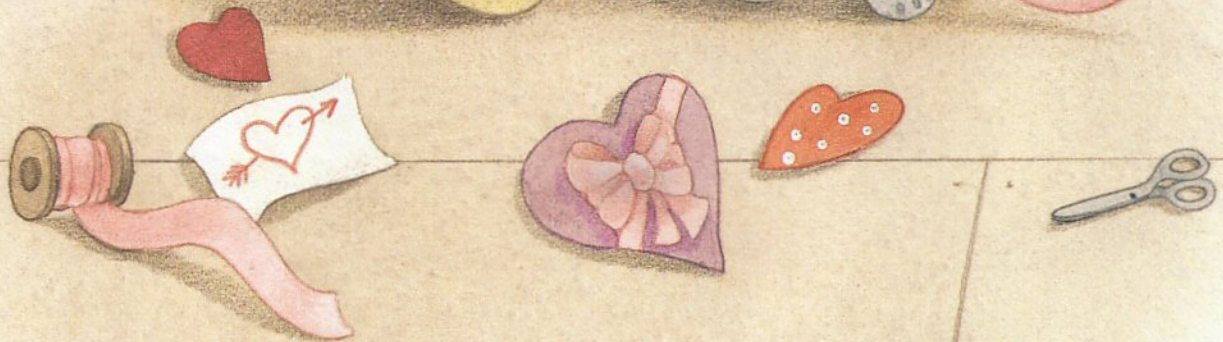
HAPPY
VALENTINE'S
DAY!



I use every scrap.
There's nothing
I waste!



Tying pink ribbons,



scattering glitter.




I always clean up



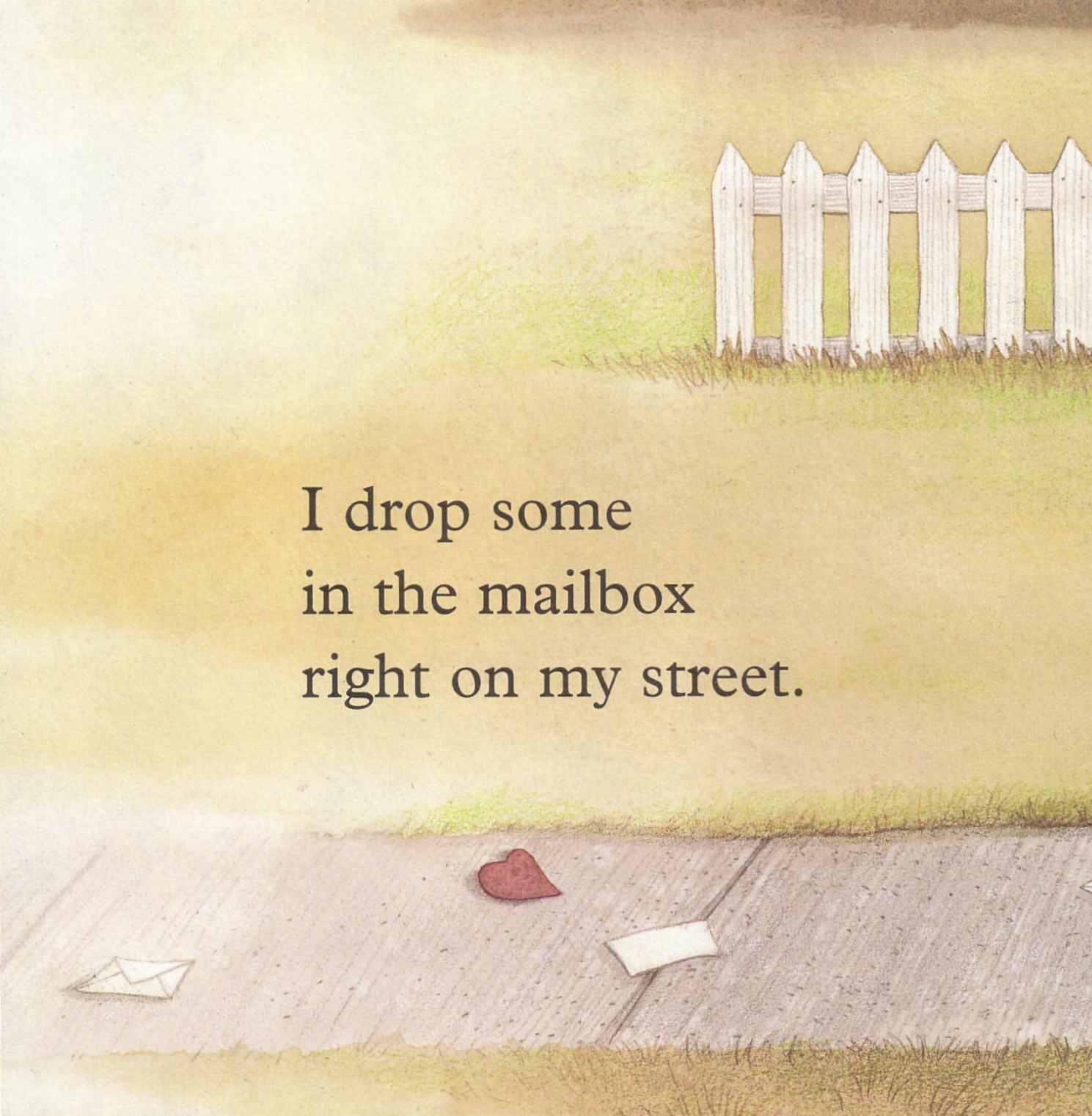
and try not to litter.



A whimsical illustration of a dog in a snowy path surrounded by valentines. The scene is set in a rural landscape with rolling hills, bare trees, and a small white house in the distance. A yellow heart-shaped sun is visible in the sky. In the foreground, a dog with brown and white fur and a red collar with white polka dots is lying on its back in a snow-covered path. Several valentines are scattered around the dog: one with a red heart, one with a pink heart, one with a pink heart and the word 'VALENTINE' written in purple, and one with a pink heart and the word 'VALENTINE' written in pink. The background features rolling hills, bare trees, and a small white house with a brown roof. A yellow heart-shaped sun is visible in the sky.

Valentines,
valentines,
big ones and small—
I love sending valentines.
I love it all!

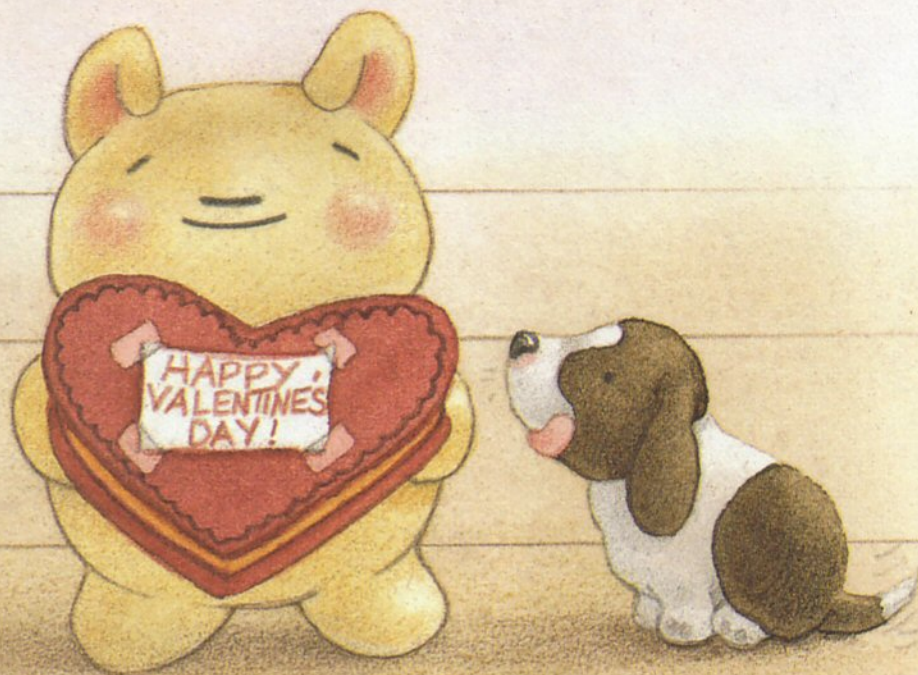




I drop some
in the mailbox
right on my street.



Some others are mailed



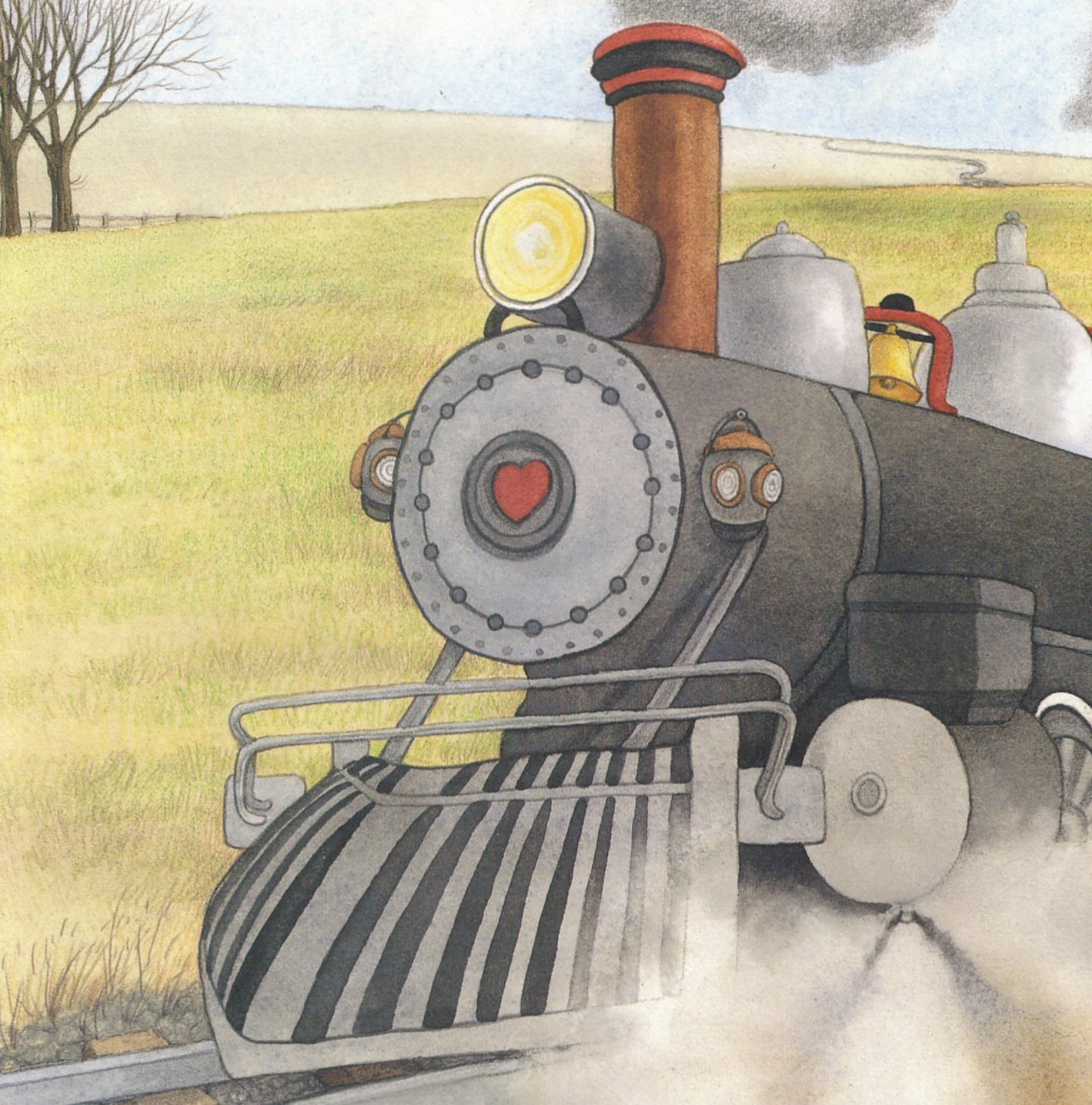
with a yummy sweet treat.

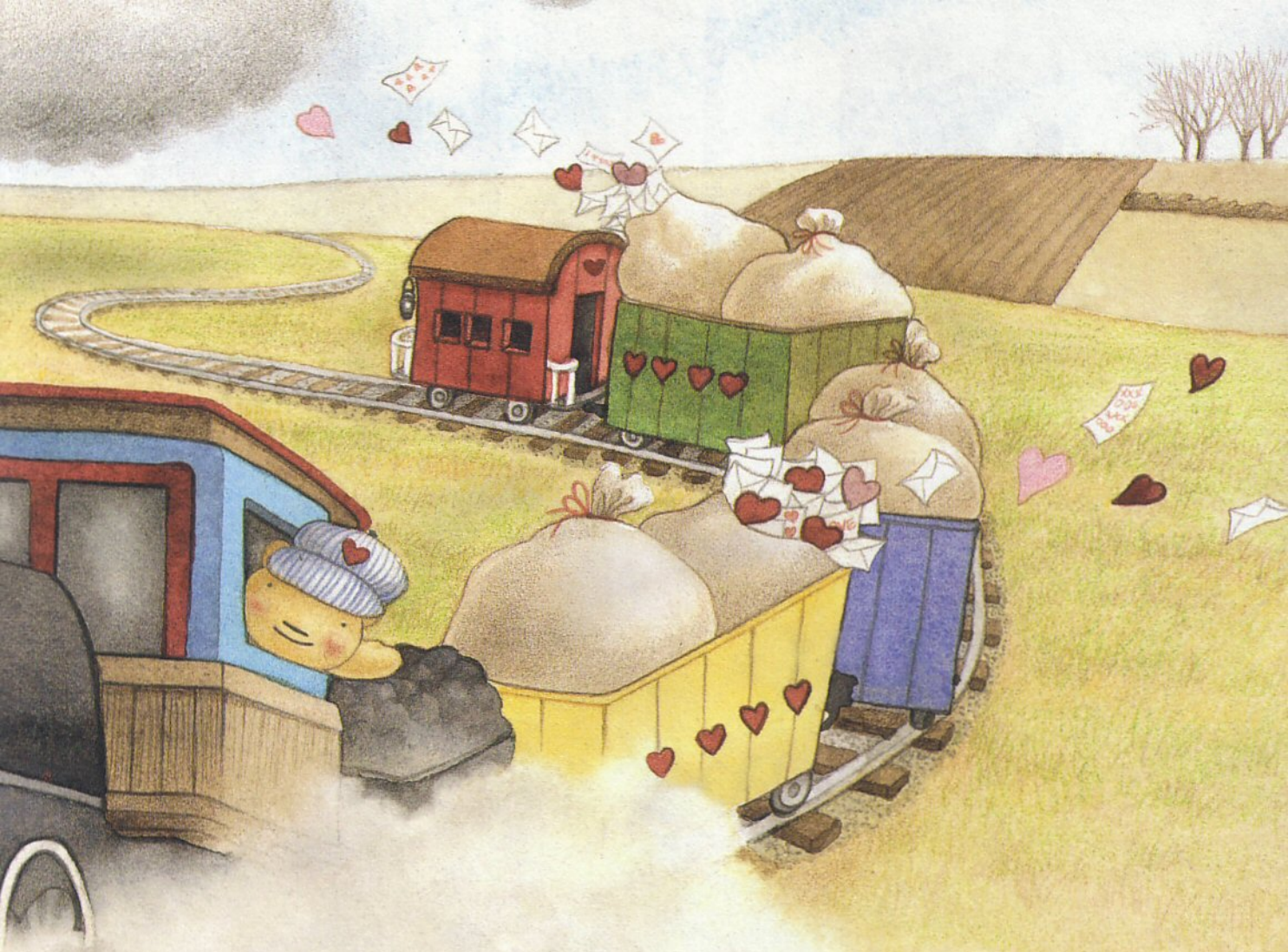


Some valentines are
delivered by hand.

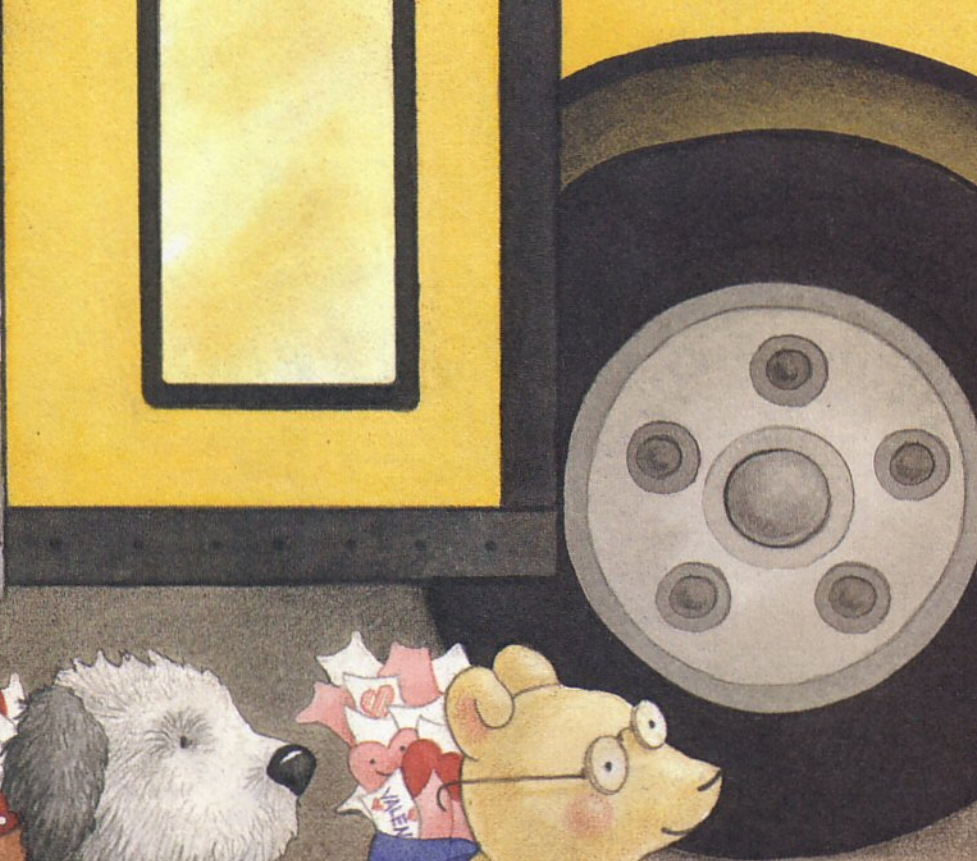
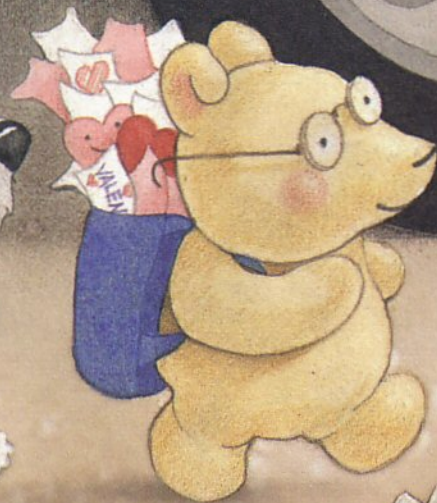








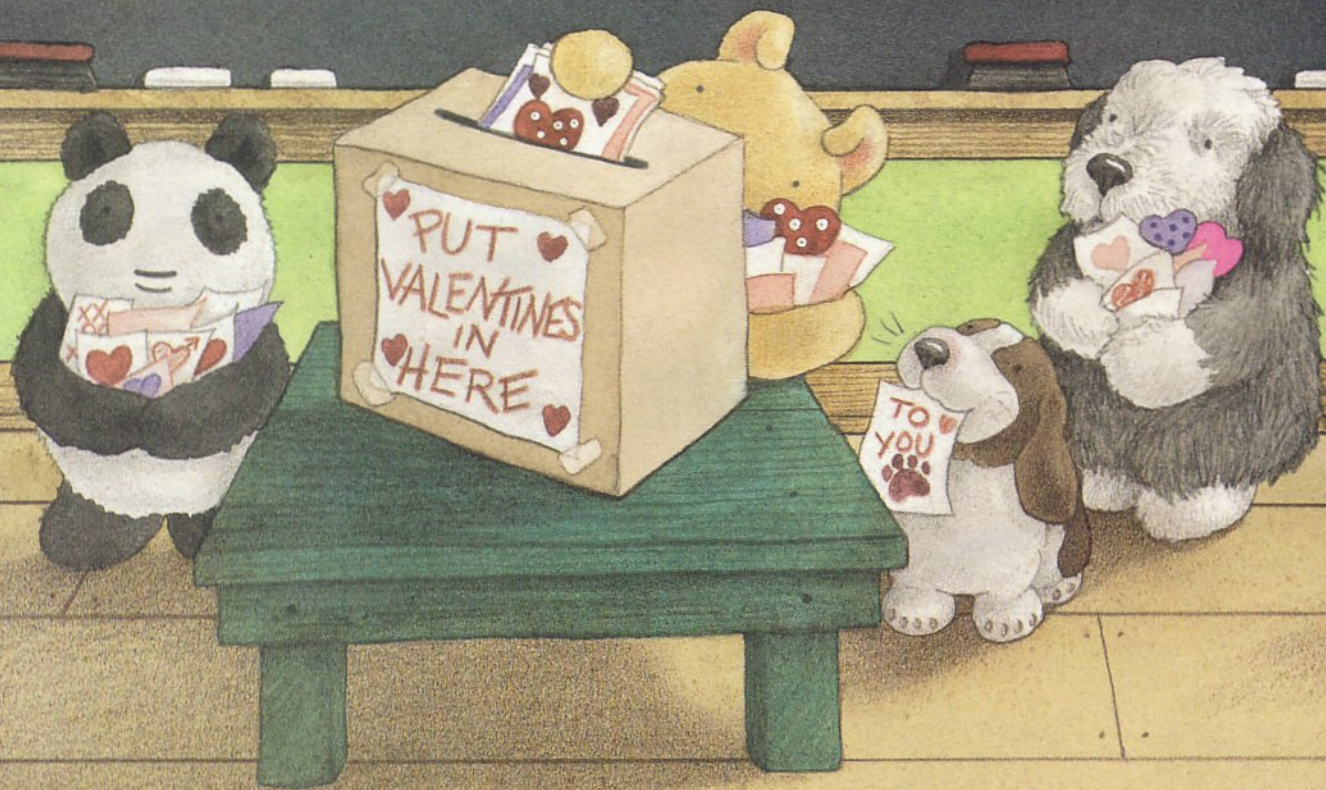
Others take longer
to cross our big land.



I bring more
valentines to school
for my friends.



Happy Valentine's Day!





We put them in boxes and,
when the class ends,



PUT VALENTINES IN HERE

FOR YOU

our teacher hands valentines
out one by one.



Then we give her a **HUGE**
valentine—so much fun!



Though it's great
to make valentines
and give them away...







I love *getting* valentines
on Valentine's Day!

It's fun making, sending, and giving cards on
VALENTINE'S DAY.

But what's the very best thing about valentines?

Find out in this sweet rhyming story!

