Do the preparation task first. Then read the article and do the exercises to check your understanding.

Preparation
Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–f next to the numbers 1–6.

1. to propose (to somebody) a. something that people normally do in a particular country or culture
2. a custom b. a present; something that you give to another person
3. commercial c. without a name
4. a gift d. a person who sends a present or card to somebody that he or she likes, but without saying who sent it
5. a secret admirer e. related to buying and selling
6. anonymous f. to ask somebody to marry you

1. Check your understanding: true or false
Circle True or False for these sentences.

1. Valentine’s Day is on February 14th. True False
2. It’s traditional to send cards secretly on Valentine’s Day. True False
3. WUBMV means ‘Will you buy me a Valentine’s card’. True False
4. Chocolates and flowers are popular presents on February 14th. True False
5. It’s unlucky to get married on Valentine’s Day. True False
6. All British people love Valentine's Day. True False

2. Check your vocabulary: gap fill
Complete the sentences with a word from the box.

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1. Everyone tries to work out who sent a card and who has a ____________ admirer.
2. Some people prefer to send an ____________ card or letter instead of signing their name.

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3. For true ________________, the gift of love is enough.
4. I sent a Valentine’s card ________________ to a boy in my class when I was younger.
   If I like a girl, I don’t need to waste money sending her a card just because it’s a
   ________________.
5. It is traditional to send an anonymous card to anyone you ________________ love.
6. ________________, men give chocolates or flowers to their wives or girlfriends.
7. Who says ________________ is dead?

3. Check your vocabulary: multiple choice
Circle the best word to complete these sentences.

1. Is it traditional / traditionally / tradition to give presents on February 14th in your country?
2. We have a similar traditional / traditionally / tradition but it’s in April.
3. I think I’ve got a secret / secretly / secretive admirer!
4. If someone secret / secretly / secretive loves you, maybe you’ll receive a card on Valentine’s
   Day.
5. Sending a card anonymously / anonymous / anonymity is a crazy idea!
6. Don’t write your name on the card if you want to be anonymously / anonymous / anonymity .
7. Do you think British people are romance / romantic / romantically ?
8. He gave me some songs called ‘Music for love and romance / romantic / romantically ’. Do you
   think he likes me?

Discussion
Do you celebrate Valentine’s Day in your country? If not, is there a similar day in your country?
What gifts do people usually give in your country?
Do men and women buy each other gifts?
Is it popular with young people, older people or everybody?