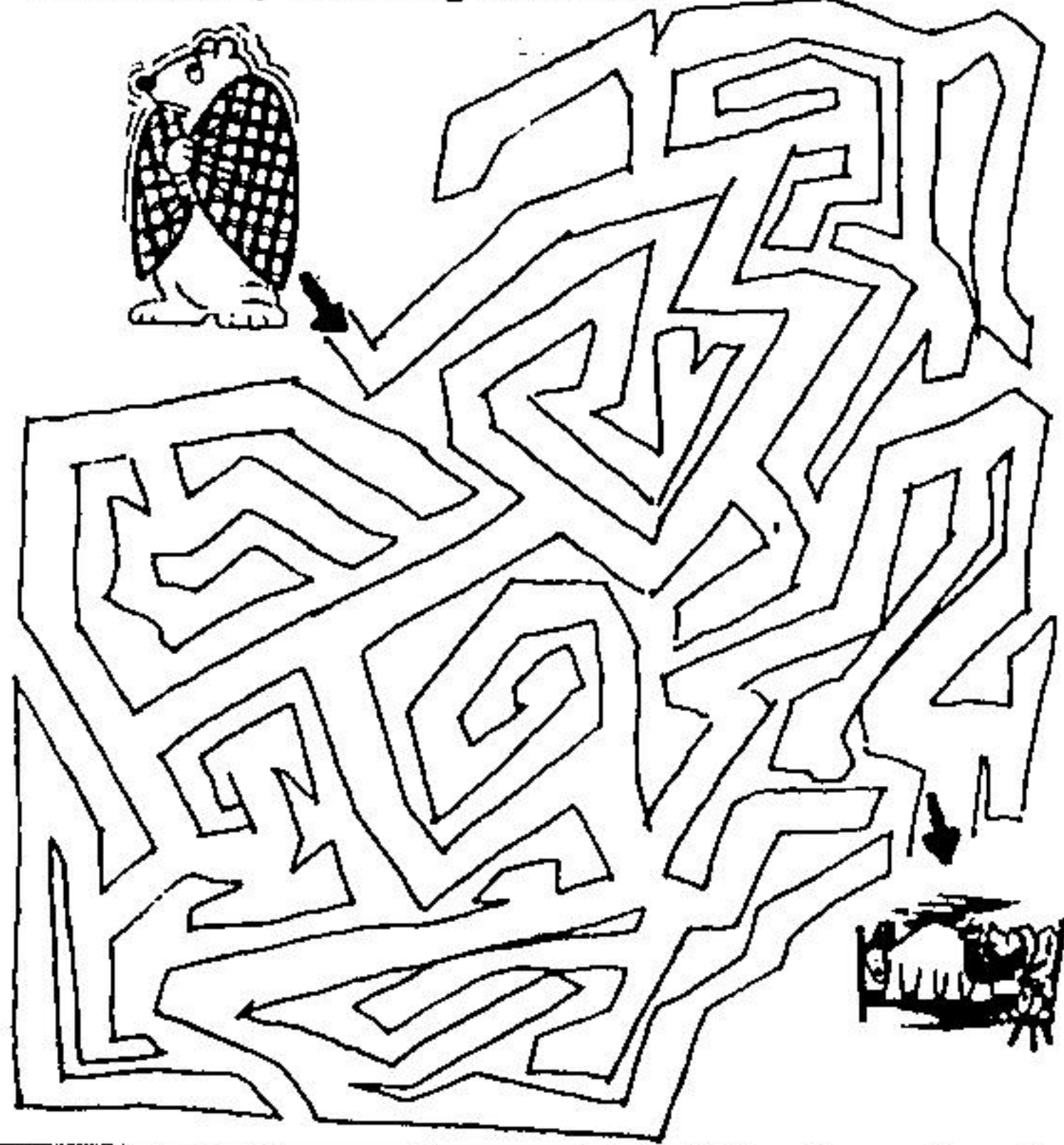


Young Outlook

A Long Winter Sleep

Winter is here and Bruno the Bear wants to hibernate or sleep during the cold winter days. Help him find his warm bed by following the maze.



GROUNDHOG DAY BOOKS

Tilabel by Patricia Coombs. Grs. 3-5. Based on Grimm's "The Three Spinners," Tilabel is about a lazy groundhog who didn't like to work. When she became queen, she made up Groundhog Day as an excuse to go back to bed for six extra weeks.

Time for Jody by Wendy Kesselman. Grs. K-3. When Jody is invited by the animals of the Distant Field to be their groundhog, she was very proud. She takes twenty-seven alarm clocks with her - all of them set for February 2.



During the cold winter months, remember to throw crumbs and birdseed out for the small animals that may have trouble finding food. They will appreciate your thoughtfulness.

A Cold Weather Picnic

We all enjoy picnics during the summer, so why not have an indoor picnic when it is too cold to go outside! Here is one recipe you may want to use for your winter picnic.

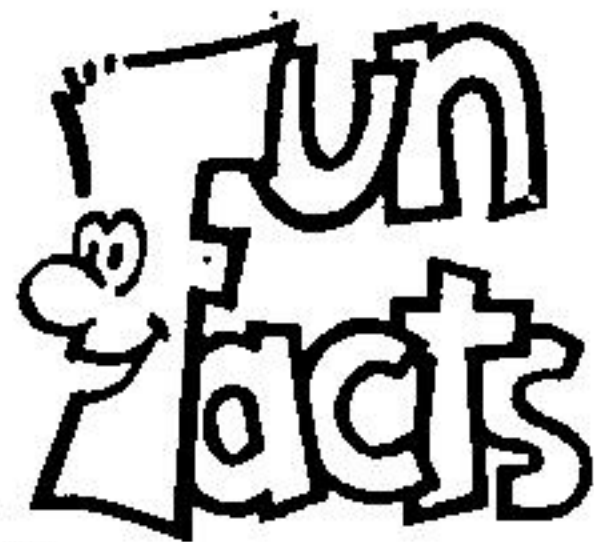
WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- 1 quart milk
- 2 tablespoons cocoa mix
- 4 tablespoons honey



WHAT TO DO:

- Combine cocoa mix, honey and two tablespoons of milk in a heat proof pitcher and stir until creamy and smooth.
- Ask an adult to heat the rest of the milk in a pan and pour it into the pitcher.
- Stir until everything is well mixed.
- Pour mixture into 6 mugs and share with friends.



1. The custom of exchanging valentines on February 14 can be traced to the English poet, Geoffrey Chaucer.

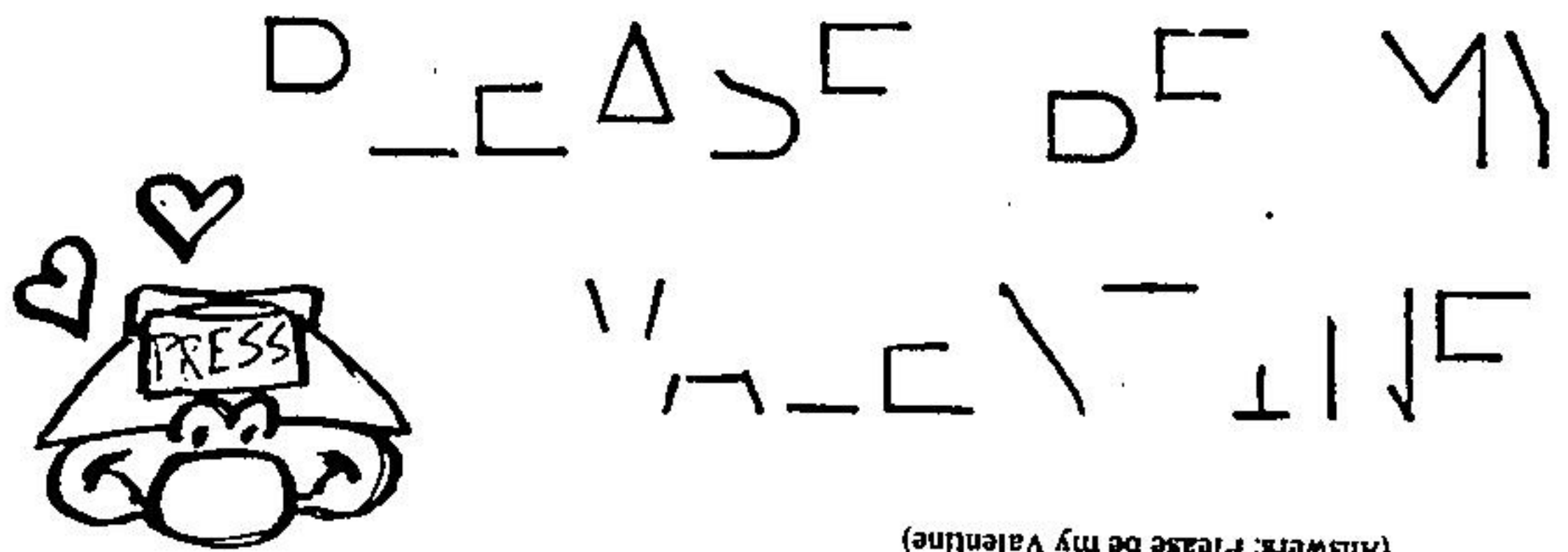
2. One of the first U.S. manufacturers of valentines was

Esther A. Howland of Massachusetts. In 1847, after seeing a card made in England, she decided to make her own. She was soon managing a \$100,000-a-year card company.

3. In Denmark, it is a Valentine tradition to send pressed, white flowers to friends. Also, the men sign their valentines with dots, one dot for each letter of their names. If a woman receiving such a card guesses the name of the sender, he rewards her with an Easter egg at Easter.

A Message from Alfie

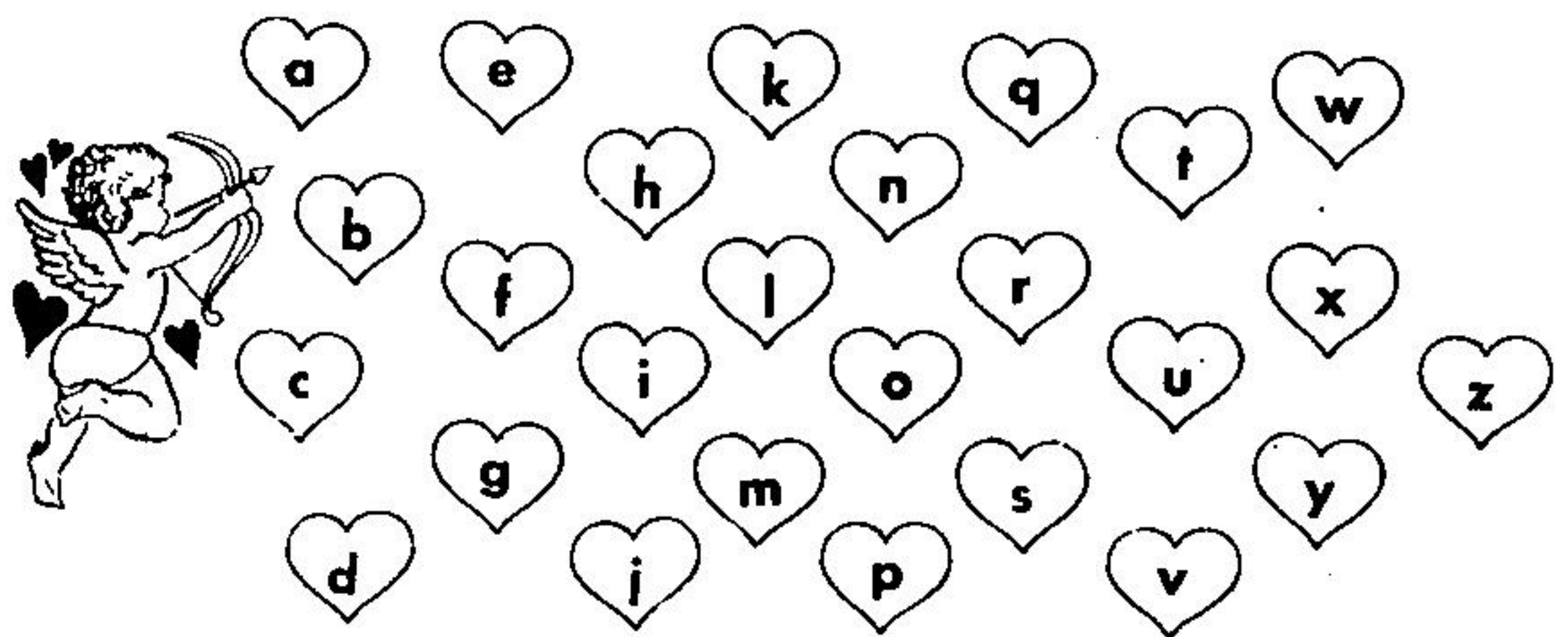
- You'll need to fill in the incomplete lines to figure out the words of Alfie's message.



(Answers: Please be my Valentine)

Love Letters

Cupid, the Roman god of love, is shooting his arrow to letters that form the names of several special people. You can direct his arrow to the letters that make up the name of your special valentine by drawing a line which connects each of the letters.



My special Valentine's name is _____

ANAGRAM ANSWERS

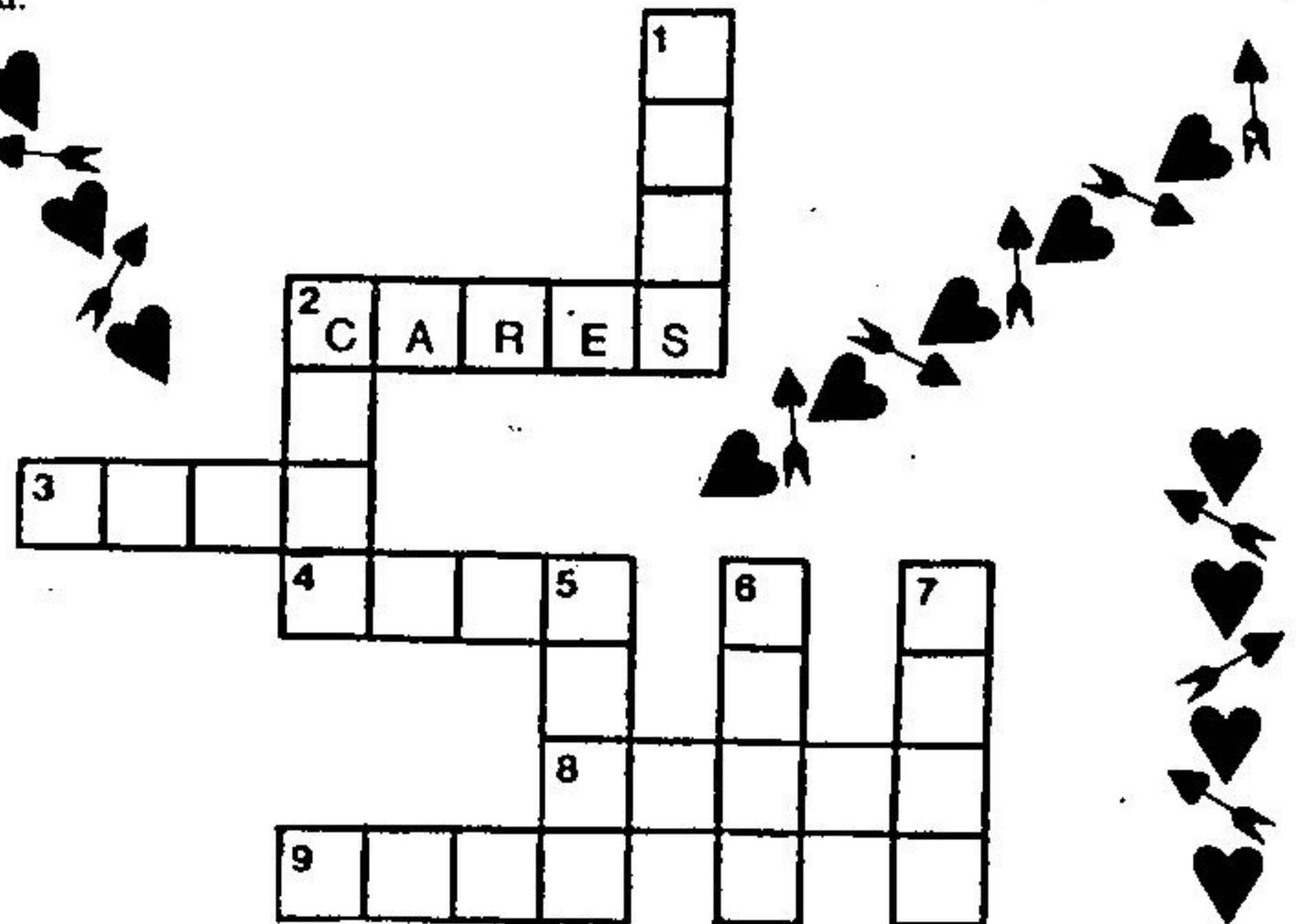
This crossword puzzle is made up of anagrams. An anagram is a word whose letters can be changed around to make another word. Look at each clue then rearrange the letters in that word to make a new word. (All letters must be used.) Now fill in the crossword.

ACROSS:

- 2. races
- 3. sale
- 4. read
- 8. miles
- 9. team

DOWN:

- 1. slip
- 2. clod
- 5. sore
- 6. ring
- 7. mope



(Answers: Across: 2. cares, 3. race, 4. read, 8. miles, 9. team; Down: 1. slip, 2. clod, 5. sore, 6. ring, 7. mope)