

# Planning a Surprise

## Gifts from Hand & Heart



**CREATE** a list of surprises that you like and write the reason why you like each. Consider whom you would like to surprise with a handmade gift and the many ways you might be able to surprise others. Sketch a handmade gift you imagine. After planning with the sketch, gather the supplies you'll need and create the gift.

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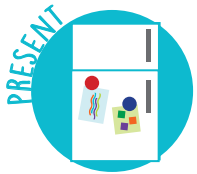
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**PRESENT** a handmade gift in a way that delights another person. Plan the gift and the surprise delivery with that person's interests and needs in mind. Have a plan and a backup plan for the surprise delivery—in person or remotely via mail or digital sharing. What might go wrong and how can you adjust to something unexpected that might surprise you?

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**RESPOND** to the gift making and giving experience by thinking about feelings—yours and the other person's. Did anything surprise you?

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**CONNECT** this gift-giving experience with the unexpected situations you face in daily life. What surprises delight you and are a gift? What surprises frighten or embarrass you? How does connecting a surprise with feelings help you plan wonderful surprising experiences?

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When we receive gifts, especially those that are a surprise, how can we express our appreciation?

- use positive language that expresses how you feel
- consider how the other person is feeling
- listen and ask questions—there is always something more we can learn
- if it was handmade ask how it was created
- thank the person for thinking about you and making or selecting something for you



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