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Level 5 – 12th February 2024

Pizza to help relationship break-ups on Valentine's Day

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THE READING

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Valentine's Day makes us think of romance; of red roses, pink hearts and candlelit dinners. We rarely think about breaking up with our partner. The restaurant chain Pizza Hut is selling a Valentine's pizza for those who want to break up with their partner. Pizza Hut is selling "Hot Honey Goodbye Pies". It will write the name of your soon-to-be ex on the pizza box. Pizza Hut also has an online service to aid the break-up. Customers can visit GoodbyePies.com to send a break-up message, and a link for the "future-ex" to receive a complimentary pizza to help them get over being dumped.

Pizza Hut said: "With the launch of Goodbye Pies, we are bringing that perfect blend of sweet and heat...to real life. We are delivering spicy news in the sweetest way for Valentine's Day." Its website said: "Break-ups are awkward. We can help. Send a free...Goodbye Pie from now through Valentine's Day, and the delivery driver will deliver the bad news in the best way." It added: "We'll generate an expertly crafted, carefully curated, and potentially plausible break-up excuse for you." A poll stated that 45 per cent of people believe it is best to end a relationship before February 14.

Sources: <https://www.restaurantbusinessonline.com/marketing/restaurants-embrace-darker-side-valentines-day>
<https://nypost.com/2024/02/07/news/pizza-hut-offering-goodbye-pies-to-help-couples-break-up-for-valentines-day/>
<https://goodbyepies.com/>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Valentine's Day makes | a. dumped |
| 2. pink hearts | b. up with our partner |
| 3. think about breaking | c. complimentary pizza |
| 4. The restaurant | d. and candlelit dinners |
| 5. the name of your soon- | e. message |
| 6. send a break-up | f. chain Pizza Hut |
| 7. receive a | g. us think of romance |
| 8. help them get over being | h. to-be ex |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. that perfect blend | a. curated |
| 2. delivering spicy news in | b. driver |
| 3. Break-ups are | c. a relationship |
| 4. delivery | d. of sweet and heat |
| 5. deliver the bad news | e. awkward |
| 6. carefully | f. break-up excuse |
| 7. potentially plausible | g. the sweetest way |
| 8. it is best to end | h. in the best way |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Valentine's Day makes us (1) _____; of red roses, pink hearts (2) _____. We rarely think about breaking up with our partner. The restaurant chain Pizza Hut is selling a Valentine's pizza for (3) _____ to break up with their partner. Pizza Hut is selling "Hot Honey Goodbye Pies". It will write the name of (4) _____ on the pizza box. Pizza Hut also has an online (5) _____ the break-up. Customers can visit GoodbyePies.com to send a break-up message, and a link for the "future-ex" to receive (6) _____ to help them get over being dumped.

Pizza Hut said: "With (7) _____ Goodbye Pies, we are bringing that (8) _____ sweet and heat...to real life. We are delivering spicy news in the sweetest way for Valentine's Day." Its website said: "(9) _____. We can help. Send a free...Goodbye Pie from now through Valentine's Day, and the (10) _____ deliver the bad news in the best way." It added: "We'll generate (11) _____, carefully curated, (12) _____ break-up excuse for you." A poll stated that 45 per cent of people believe it is best to end a relationship before February 14.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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VALENTINE'S DAY SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2402/240212-valentines-goodbye-pies-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about Valentine's Day in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

WRITING

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Write about **Valentine's Day** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
