Kids’ 17th-Century Lines of Love & Friendship

Woo the object of your admiration with these expressions of love and friendship from Shakespeare’s day. Once you’ve tried out these wooing words and friendly phrases, create more of your own by imitating these 17th-century models.

I am a cast-away in love.

You are the rising sun which I adore.

You have a face where all good seems to dwell.

I’ll bathe my lips in rosy dews of kisses.

I wear you in my heart.

You are the miracle of friendship.

Mine eyes have feasted on your beauteous face.

My genius and yours are friends. Your breath casts sweet perfumes.

It is no pilgrimage to travel to your lips.

By you, like your shade, I’ll ever dwell.

You, like a comet, do attract all eyes.