

personal english



Semantic Field #2

(LICIT) LOVE

Falling in love often starts off as a simple **crush** on someone, which in turn originates as a **soft spot** on this person.

Once two people have taken up seeing each other romantically, we say that they are **dating**.

Definitions for dating partners are rather numerous in English: a **sweetheart** is a school girlfriend or boyfriend, a **date** is someone you're not yet in a relationship with, a **valentine** is someone you've chosen to celebrate St. Valentine's day with – and so in and so forth. When one of the two partners **pops the question**, then they (may) exchange **engagement rings** and become **fiancés**. On the wedding day, the **husband-** and **wife-to-be** are called, respectively, **groom** and **bride**; usually, they go on a **honeymoon** soon after the nuptials.

