



Questions from Cupid

Happy Valentine's Day from the Mendik Library! As our Valentine's Day gift to you, here's an opportunity to be entered into a drawing to WIN *research aids, study guides and cool study tools*. Complete this Info Hunt and submit your answer sheet by Tuesday, February 14th at 5 pm to enter the drawing. The official collection barrel for completed entries is located at the Reference Desk in the Library. The drawing will take place outside the library entrance on February 14th at 5:30 PM. Although you need not be present to win, winners in attendance will have the opportunity to choose from the selection of prizes, and may even receive bonus prizes. Absentee winners will be contacted by email.

Good Luck!

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2. Run the following Terms and Connectors search: "no fault divorce"

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We hope this “hunt” hasn’t left you with a broken heart. Now that you’re done, bring your completed answer sheet to the reference desk or send it by email to reference@nyls.edu to be eligible to win. We’ll see you at the drawing on February 14th!