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From Laughing Elephant : Valentine Postcards before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Valentine Postcards:

5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. "Handle with care this poor little heart / So cruelly pierced by Dan Cupid's dart . . . By Allen Smalling. . . 'Tis bleeding and tender, but faithful and true / And every faint throb is a message to you." (So says a little girl, Valentine in hand, imploring a genial postman.) The good folks at Seattle-based Laughing Elephant have given us this book of thirty sturdy and colorful Valentine's Day-themed postcards. There are no repeats, but the cards are reprints from the early 20th Century, and some might consider them quaint to a fault. Most of the figures on the cards are cupids or kewpies or kids -- twee they may be, but nothing ribald or suggestive, even in the relative few that portray adults. Probably best used these days for display, or for expressions of history and Americana. Pros: Very nice printing (China) and good sturdy cards with the message side clearly designed to be postcards. Unlike a similar book of old-time postcards I recently reviewed, most of these cards are annotated as to origin and approximate date. A minor drawback: The cards are larger than the conservative USPS definition of postcard size (but they will work domestically with any "Forever" stamp). A bigger drawback for collectors: the cards are a little too small to fit easily a standard five-by-seven-inch picture frame without extra matting. However, they are adorable, so unless you reject Edwardian-era sentimentality they may well be worth the extra effort. Price is reasonable. Time is of the essence. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Great seller! Good item! By SOS Most of the cards are great, but there are a couple, which were appropriate in their day--but come off creepy in today's world. All in all great item, but honestly could not use a few as the wording and theme detracted from things. Manufacturer needs to rethink things using the vintage design but rewording things for today. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Darling. By cats Really cute postcards. !

Postcard books are a wonderful way for us to share our treasure trove of images. Our postcard books on Easter, Halloween and Christmas have proven to be very popular, and so we turn to one of our favorite holidays--Valentine's Day. The valentine, as a graphic token to be exchanged by lovers on February 14, became very popular in the middle of the 19th century, and continued to increase in popularity and variety as the century advanced. In the first years of

the 20th century there was an explosion in popularity of the picture postcard, and it was natural that postcards would be created to send on every holiday. Tens of thousands of valentine designs were printed as Valentines. We have selected thirty favorites from our collection, and reproduced them here in such a way that they can either be removed and mailed or kept intact and the book given entire.