### Examples from the Corpus

#### love

- I used to read books about love.
- The authoritative, dedicated, and benign conductor was Williams Llewellyn, whose knowledge and love for the score was obvious.
- Only his tears spoke of brotherly love.
- Jack was her first love.
- She was never able to express her **love** for Henry.
- And though they regularly clashed, they were undoubtedly in love.
- All children need love, attention, and encouragement.
- Finally, it never hurts to wear our own love of reading on our sleeve.
- She nourishes a secret, unrequited **love** for Harry.

#### love for

• a mother's love for her child

# first love

- We love because he first loved us.
- Roland heard her voice again, remembered all that had happened, and fell for his first love.
- Brown wrote his novels and faded back into his first lovelike a man whose ego needed fresh air and nothing more.
- I must have been about fifteen when I received my first love letter.
- The sea was my first love, but now the hills have an equal claim to my affection.
- Elizabeth Taylor was my first love.
- Ah, the innocence of first love.
- The sweet, tinkling sound of a music box can stirrecollections of everything from childhood to first love.

#### love of/for

- Jerrod has a love for the game of chess.
- A love of flying Statistics aside, Steve Butler admits that his job sometimes scares him.
- Wasn't she used by now to disguising her love for him?
- Despite his love of distraction, Minton in his career as yet showed no loss of impetus.
- Van Leer inherited some of his father's acumen but none of his money and certainly none of his love for money.
- All played directly to his **love of** the <u>theatrical</u>.
- Had already admitted to herself the extent of her own love for him.
- On the other hand they are telling us we are not playing for the money but the love of the sport.
- It's possible that he's trying to test your love for him.

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- a much-loved author
- Tom was the only man she had ever loved.
- You needn't love boxing-or even care for it-to appreciateToole's highly accomplished debut.
- We still **love** each other very much.
- And even crazier to have told him that she loved him.
- He loved his stepdaughter as if she were his own child.
- It is a heady, exhilarating feeling, and I love it.
- Cassie works in the theatre, and she really loves it.
- I really believed that my parents didn't love me.
- Ben loves swimming, playing tennis, those kinds of thing.
- It's incredible how much she loves those two kids.
- I love to hear applause between movements.
- She loved to sit in the park and feed the ducks.
- Because he just **loves** to write.
- I love you, Betty.
- I love you so much now, it hurts!
- Just relax and let me love you.
- He stroked her hair and murmured, "I love you."

#### loved one

- How would anybody feel about the death of a loved one?
- About 30 years after the debut of the original, the spieswho loved one another are married.
- Volunteers in the sitting service have helped families lead relatively normal lives while caring for their loved one at home.
- And some wouldn't dream of helping out, however disgusting their loved ones' dishes.
- Beware of carrying a subtle ploy too far today or of letting a loved one get away with playing emotional games.
- The death or incapacitating illness of a loved one is always hard to take.
- As we have discussed, the survivors need to feel involved in their loved one's dying process as much as possible.

## love doing something

Katie loves playing tennis.