



Equipment Required:



A basic woodburning set can be purchased which comes with different head shapes. This one is from Lidl and cost only €9.99. They are great value but you need to be careful using

them, as they omit high levels of heat. The other equipment needed is your wood that you are going to burn. I have also used the back of the scrabble letters that are rarely used such as Q's, K's, X's, etc.

Jigsaw Messages:



These simple messages can be burnt onto wooden jigsaw pieces (available from The Range) and the pieces put loosely into a card as a surprise for someone. They will have to make the jigsaw to be able to read your message, which can be made as personal as you wish.



Special Postcards:

This wooden postcard can be posted for the standard Irish postal rate with a message written using a ballpoint pen. The blank front can be decorated as shown below, using two different shape hearts. To ensure nothing falls off in the post, everything is stuck on with super glue (be careful!). The mouse face and "hello" are burnt on using the woodburning pen.







Lettering:



Woodburning can be useful for burning words or letters (as shown above) to personalise a present. Here is a sample family tree, which demonstrates both the use of uncommon scrabble letters and woosen hearts that can have names, etc. burnt into them. You do need a steady hand to write the letter/word and to ensure you have good ventilation, as the wood can be toxic when burnt.

