

Find The Four Kings



This is a trick that I learned from Criss Angel. To perform the trick you will need an ordinary deck of cards. Before you present the trick you will prepare by finding all four kings. Once you have found the kings place them all at the bottom of the deck.



Ask your volunteer to cut the deck, making two close to equal piles. We will refer to these piles as the top pile, the cards that had been on the top of the deck, and the bottom pile, the cards that had been on the bottom. Make sure you remember which pile is the bottom pile. (To help you we have placed a T on the top pile and a B on the bottom pile) Ask the volunteer to point to one of the piles.



Here is the magic move, it is so simple it is beautiful. If the person points to the top pile you will say "excellent, we will eliminate these cards and we will use the other pile." If the person points to the bottom pile you will say, "excellent choice, you will use that pile, I will get rid of the others." This is so cool, the volunteer has no idea you have made a "magic move".



Ask the volunteer to pick up that bottom pile and hold it in their hand. Explain that you would like them to deal the cards into four piles. Make sure that they understand you want them to go from left to right, dealing one card on each pile until all the cards are dealt.



Now you will tell them that it is time for them to find the kings. Ask the volunteer to point to one of the piles. You turn over the top card of that pile and reveal a king. "Wow, that is great, do you think you can do it again?" Ask them to point to another pile. Turn that top card over and reveal another king. Repeat this until all four kings are revealed to be at the top of the four piles of cards.

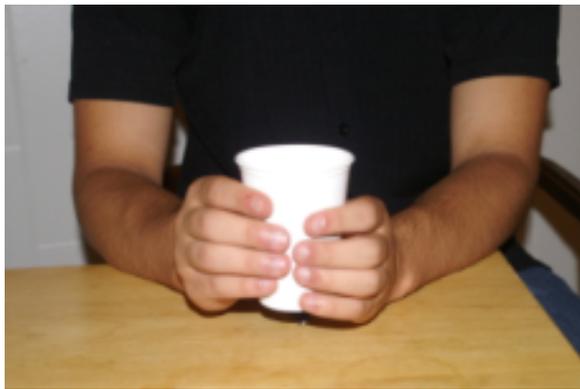


THE MYSTERIOUS FLOATING CUP!!!

This is a trick that will really freak out your friends. To perform this trick you will need good acting skills and you will need to create a special cup. Find a paper picnic cup. Try to find one that could be used for coffee, these are usually made thicker.



Cut a small hole into one of the sides of the cup. Slowly make the hole bigger and bigger until you can squeeze your thumb into the hole.



When you are ready to perform the trick secretly place your right thumb inside the hole. (If you are a lefty you may want to place your left thumb in the hole) Hold the cup with two hands. Your audience should be seated directly in front of you.

Here is where the acting comes in. Stare at the cup and quietly say "I can't believe what is happening!"

Slowly open your fingers. Slowly move your left hand and the fingers of your right hand about an inch from the cup. Continue to stare at the cup as if you can not believe your own eyes.

After the cup has floated for a few seconds grab for the cup as if it was going to fall to the floor. "Wow, that was incredible!"

Now it is time to either hide the cup or crumble it up and throw it away. Just make sure your audience does not have a chance to find the hole.



Secret View



I Am Special!!!

This trick requires no special skill or tricky moves. It will work every time if you follow these directions you will amaze your friends, and help them feel better about themselves at the same time. To perform this trick you will need a deck of cards.

Begin by saying this;

"Magician use lots of different magic words, abracadabra, hocus pocus, shazam. These are great magic words, but they are not the words I use.

Now you will deal 3 cards face up from left to right. Continue to deal in this way until you have three rows with seven cards in each row. You can put the other cards away, you will not be using them, Turn towards one person and say

"As you can see I have dealt three rows of cards. Could you please look and think about one of these cards. Don't tell me the name of the card, just think and remember the name of one card. Do you have it? In a moment I am going to find your card by saying my favorite magic words, "I am special." Could you please tell me which row the card you are thinking of is in?"



In teaching you this trick we are going to imagine that the spectator is thinking of the King of Hearts, and as you can see the King of Hearts is located in the first row. Once she tells you this you are going to pick up the cards in this very special way; gather the cards in the row the spectator tells you her card is in, in our example that would be the first row. Next gather the cards in row two and place them under the first pile of cards. Now gather the third row of cards and place it on top of the pile of cards. The most important thing to remember is that the row with the selected card must be in the middle of all of the cards.

"Now don't get me wrong, when I say that the words I am special are my favorite magic words I don't mean that those words give me any magical powers."



"The reason the words I am special are magic to me is because reminding myself that I am a very special and unique person makes me feel really good. I know that my family and friends love me for me. I know that I have talents and abilities that can make a difference in the world. Just like you!" You are now going to deal the cards in the exact same way you did before.

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In our example we can see that the King of Hearts is now in the middle row. It is now time to pick up the cards the way we did earlier, first gathering the middle row, the row with the selected card, then the first row, placing those cards on the bottom of your deck and then gathering the third row of cards and placing them on the top of the deck.



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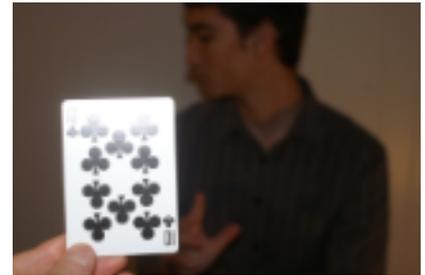


PICK A CARD, FIND THE CARD!!!

This is a very cool trick that is easy to perform and will fool your friends. All you need to perform this trick is an ordinary deck of cards. As you take the cards out of their case sneak a peek to see what card is at the bottom of the deck. That is your key card. In our example you can see that the five of diamonds is at the bottom of the deck and will be our key card.



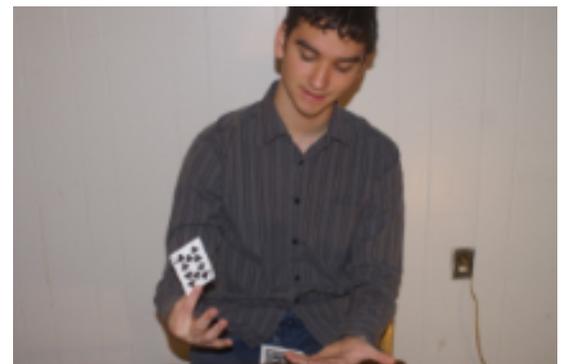
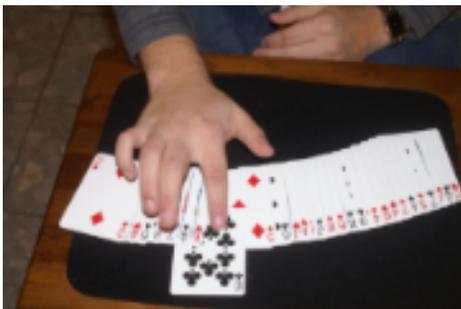
Spread the deck and ask a volunteer to select a card. Ask your volunteer to look at the card, show the other folks but to make sure that you can not see it. As you can see our volunteer selected the 10 of clubs.



While your volunteer is showing the card to the rest of the audience cut the deck. Place the top half of the deck on the table and ask the volunteer to place the selected card on top of that pile. Place what was the bottom half of the deck on top of all the other cards. As you can see you are placing the bottom card, the five of diamonds, on top of the selected card, the 10 of clubs.



Now you can spread the deck out face up. Your job is to find the key card, in our example the five of diamonds. As you can see the selected card, the ten of clubs, is located on top of the key card.



Everybody will be amazed that you were able to find the selected card.