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# MAGIC IN A SNAP!

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Easy-to-Master  
Professional Caliber  
Tricks

It's a snap  
turning simple magic tricks  
into a spectacular  
magic show!

## TRY USING THESE "TRICKS" OF THE TRADE

**Practice, practice, practice!** The more you do these tricks on your own, the easier it will be to fool your audience. It's especially helpful to practice in front of a mirror!

**Talk and move!** Engage and distract your audience with clever chatter and lots of gestures and movements. (For example: "Behold! I have here an empty bag [wave bag dramatically]. I will use my amazing magical powers to fill it with money! Abracadabra and Alakazag [wave hand over bag]! Make gold appear in this bag!")

**Use lots of magic words!** Hocus-Pocus! Presto-Change-o! Ta-Da! Bingo, Bango, Bongo! Make up your own magic words—the sillier the better!

**Dress the part!** Transform yourself by adding a cape, a top hat or turban, and some colorful clothes. Come up with a stage name (Mr. Magic! Madame Mysterium!) and change your voice. Set up a table and decorate your performance area with tablecloths and signs.

AGES 4+

Please retain for information

**WARNING:**  
CHOKING HAZARD - Toy contains  
a small ball and small parts. Not for children  
under 3 years.

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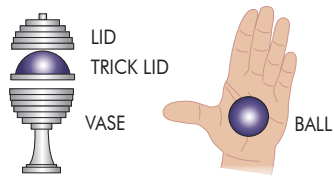
# BALL & VASE TRICKS

**THE TRICK (PART ONE)** A ball magically appears in a vase! **(PART TWO)** Then, the ball disappears from the vase and drops out of the magician's hand!

**THE SECRET** There is a hidden trick lid so the magician can reveal either the ball or an empty vase.

**Props** Ball, Vase with Lid,  
Trick Lid

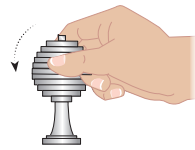
**Prep** Stack the vase with the base first, then the trick lid, then the empty lid. Keep the extra ball hidden in your left hand.



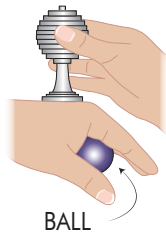
**4. PART TWO:** Replace lid.  
Squeeze the ball in the palm of your left hand so the audience can't see it.

## Perform

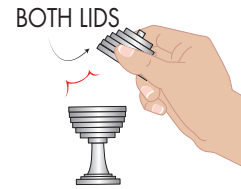
**1. PART ONE:** Place the prepared vase on a flat surface.



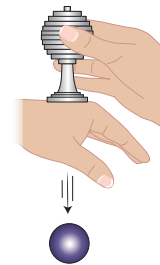
**5. Pick up the vase with your other hand and hold it over your hand that's hiding the ball.**



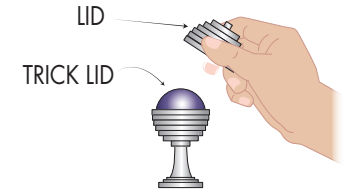
**2. Lift the top two pieces together and show the audience the vase is empty. Replace lid.**



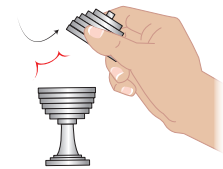
**6. As you tap the top of your left hand with the base of the vase, open your hand so the ball drops out!**



**3. Wave your hand or wand over the vase. Lift just the top piece to reveal the ball in the vase!**



**7. Place the vase on a flat surface. Lift both lids to show the ball is no longer in the vase!**



## Helpful Hint

- Beginning magicians with small hands may want to only perform PART ONE of this trick until they are able to hide the ball in the palm of their hand. Magicians can add to PART ONE by replacing the lids, saying some magic words, then lifting both lid pieces to show the ball has again disappeared! Or, place a small object like a coin in the empty vase and change it into a ball by covering with both lids, then lifting the top piece.

# CASH CASE

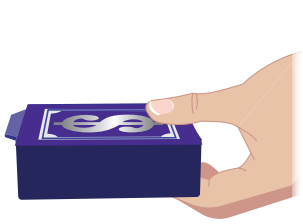
**THE TRICK** A \$100 bill is placed in a case and it disappears!

**THE SECRET** A hole in the bottom of the case lets you hold a secret inner tray to hide the bill.

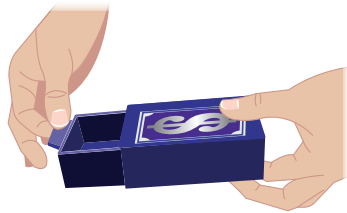
**Props** Special Cash Case with 2-Part Drawer and Hidden Hole, Pretend \$100 Bill.

**Prep** Close the drawer completely and place closed case and folded \$100 bill on a flat surface.

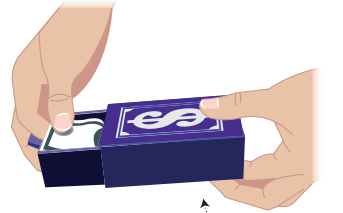
## Perform



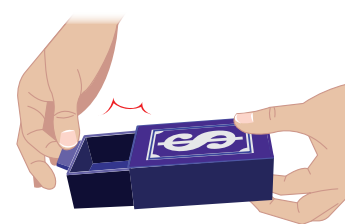
**1.** Hold the case at the back with your thumb on top and other fingers underneath.



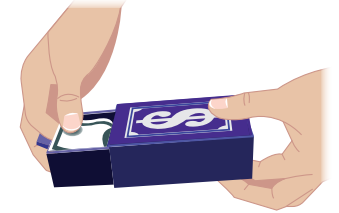
**2.** Open the drawer and place the folded \$100 bill inside.



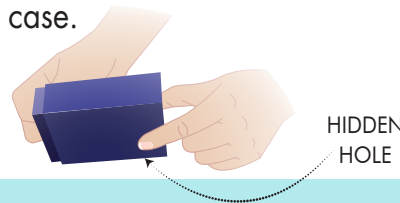
**3.** Close the drawer and secretly insert your index finger into the hidden hole in the bottom of the case.



**4.** Keeping your finger in the hole, open the drawer and the bill has disappeared!



**5.** Close the drawer again and remove your finger from the hidden hole. Re-open the drawer and the bill reappears!



## Helpful Hint

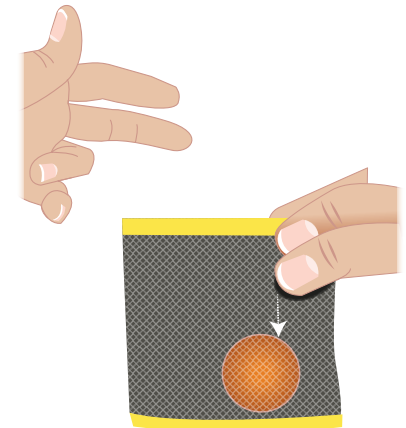
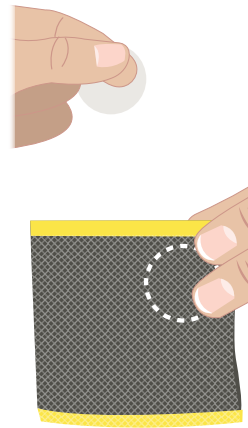
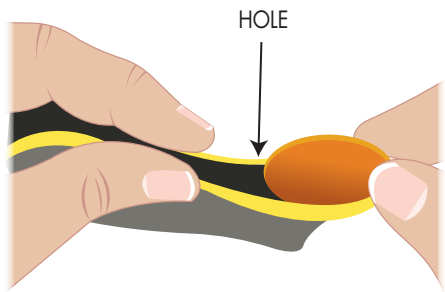
- Do not allow the audience to see the bottom of the case.
- You also can do the trick using real money or other small objects.

# MAGIC COIN BAG

**THE TRICK** A coin suddenly appears in a see-through mesh bag!

**THE SECRET** There is a hidden flap in the bag that hides the coin.

**A.**



**1.** Pick up the bag while holding the coin in place between the thumb and middle finger of your left hand. Show the audience the bag is empty. Pretend to hold an invisible coin in your other hand.

**2.** Tell the audience you can make the invisible coin appear in the bag. Pretend to drop the invisible coin from your empty hand into the bag while releasing the real coin from your left hand so it drops and appears in the bottom of the bag!

## Helpful Hint

- Hold the coin in place with your thumb on the velvet back, and your other fingers on the outside of the top mesh layer. Release the coin by pulling your middle finger away from the bag.

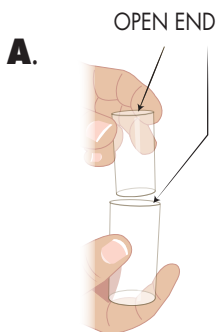
# MAGIC TUBE

**THE TRICK** A silk scarf vanishes from a clear tube!

**THE SECRET** An unseen insert falls away, leaving an empty tube.

**Props** 2-Part Clear Tube, Colored Scarf, Foil

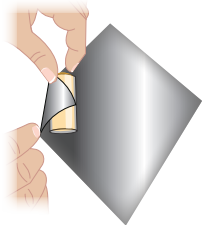
**Prep** Make sure you have a performance area that shields the view of the floor near your feet from your audience (for best results, stand behind a table covered with a floor-length tablecloth or sit behind a table so the tube insert falls onto your lap). Begin with the insert in the clear tube (picture A) so it looks like a single tube.



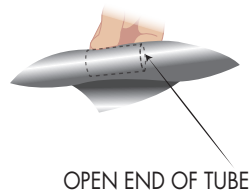
## Perform



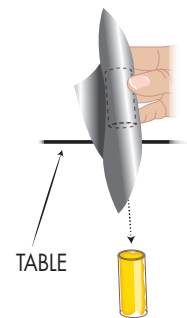
**1.** Spread out the foil on your performance table. Stuff the scarf into the tube.



**2.** Roll the tube up in the foil on the table.



**3.** Pick up the rolled up foil and tube, holding it horizontally.



**4.** Tilt the foil so the open end of the tube faces down. Keep the bottom end of the foil below the level of the table, so the inner tube slides out and drops to the floor or onto your lap unseen by the audience.



**5.** Unwrap the foil and show the audience the empty tube inside!

## Helpful Hint

- If doing the trick standing up, it works best when performed on a carpeted area so the audience does not hear the Magic Tube insert drop on the floor. If the area is not carpeted, perform sitting down and catch the tube in your lap. Be careful when you stand up again to keep the tube hidden.