



MENTAL MAGIC

The following pages contain Idea Sheets about Mental Magic. Use the space below to write down your ideas and resources for accomplishing these miracles with your students.

Ideas for teaching Mental Magic:

Locally available Books, Videos, DVD's, about Mental Magic:

Local Magicians and Other Experts to help in teaching Mental Magic:

Resources:



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List the magic effects of the "Mental" kind that will fit best into each of these venues:

Close-Up: _____

Family Table Magic: _____

Visitors to the House: _____

Classroom Magic: _____

Summer Camp: _____

School Talent Show: _____

SAM Public Show: _____

Picnics: _____

Civic Clubs: _____

Birthday Parties: _____

Day Care: _____

**Adult
Banquets:** _____

Senior Citizen Events: _____

Television: _____

Where Else: _____

Special Notations: Regarding Audiences, Angles and specific awareness that will help you choose Effects.



by T. J. Staab

EFFECT:

The spectator chooses three numbers from a square of nine numbers. They then add them together and concentrate on their number. The magician writes a number on a piece of paper, and when revealed the numbers match.

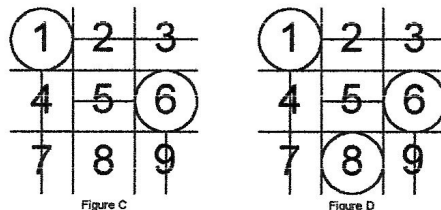
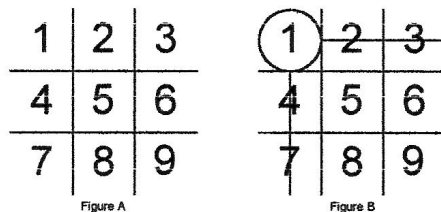
WHAT YOU NEED:

Two pads of paper and two pencils.

ROUTINE:

Hand the spectator a pencil and a pad of paper with 1-9 in tic-tac-toe fashion written on it. (Figure A) Have the spectator circle any number he wishes. (In this case we will say he has circled the number 1.) Next ask the spectator to cross out the two numbers in the same row (horizontally) as the number they just circled. Then ask the spectator to cross out the two numbers in the same column (vertically) as the number they have just circled. (Figure B) Ask the spectator to circle one of the numbers that has not been crossed out or circled. (In this case we will say he has circled the number 6.) Ask the spectator to cross out the last remaining number in the same row (horizontally) and the same column (vertically) as the number they have just circled. (Figure C) Ask the spectator to circle the last remaining number. (Figure D) You now ask the spectator to add the three circled numbers together. Have them concentrate on that number so you may try to read their mind. Take out a pad of paper and write down the number 15. (It will not matter what numbers are chosen, they will always add up to 15.) Have the spectator reveal their number Show your number to everyone and they will be amazed.

Come up with your own patter to make this a mental mystery.





I'LL READ YOUR MIND

from the files of Jack Weigle

EFFECT:

The mentalist suggests a test of mind reading. A spectator writes any thought on a small piece of paper which is then folded to hide the writing. The mentalist tears the folded paper into bits. The spectator seals the bits of paper in an envelope. The mentalist concentrates and reveals the spectators hidden thought!

SECRET:

The mentalist actually reads the written thought by a secret called "the Center Tear." Use a piece of paper about 3 inches square. Just before you hand the paper to the spectator, draw a circle in the center, large enough for someone to write one or two words. (Figure 1) Tell the spectator to write their thought in one or two words and to fold the paper after writing. Demonstrate by folding the paper in half one way and then in half the other way. (Figure 2) Open the paper and give it to the spectator. Turn away so that you cannot see the spectator writing. Be sure he has folded the paper before turning back around. Take the folded paper. Examine the four corners of the folded paper and find the corner with no edges showing. (In Figure 2, the X shows the center of the paper.) Keep this corner next to the right thumb. Tear the paper in half. Put the torn left half behind the right keeping the center corner under your thumb. (Figure 3) Turn the paper keeping the right thumb on the center corner. Tear the paper in half again. Again put the torn left half behind the right keeping the center corner under your thumb. (Figure 4) As you put the papers together, slide the center corner (under your right thumb) back into the right fingers. (Figure 5) Immediately, take the rest of the torn papers in the left fingers and hand them to the spectator. Reach into your side pocket or case and drop the center corner, and take out an envelope. Tell the spectator to seal the pieces in the envelope and write their name on the front. As they do this turn away. Take the torn corner from your pocket or case and read it. When you turn around, pretend to struggle to get the thought into your mind. Retrieve the envelope and holding it to you forehead, reveal the thought then throw it away. This is a very impressive trick.

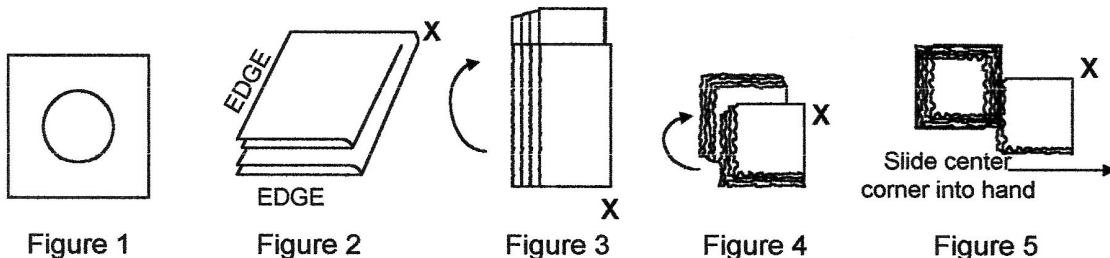


Figure 1

Figure 2

Figure 3

Figure 4

Figure 5



CENTER TEAR PAPER

From T. J. Staab





IMPOSSIBLE

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EFFECT:

The magician hands out 5 cards to five members of the audience. Each card has twenty squares, and each square contains two numbers. The first number of each square are numbers 1 thru 100 in random order. Below each number is a larger, six digit number. The audience member tells the magician one of the lower numbers in a square, and the magician then tells them the larger number below. The magician then repeats this for each member holding a card. Truly, an impossible feat of memory.

PERFORMANCE:

Choose five audience members to help with this test of memory. Hand them each one of the five cards and explain that there are the numbers 1 thru 100 on the card in random order. Below the number is a larger six digit number. Tell them that it would be an impossible feat to memorize all of these numbers, but you have done just that. Ask one member to pick any number on their card. Once they have given you the number, you tell them the larger number. You then go to the next person with a card and repeat this miracle. Continue on through all the five cards.

HOW IT WORKS:

Whatever number is called, mentally add 9 to it. Take that total and reverse the figures, that will give you the first two numbers in the larger number. If the number is 91 through 100, you will have the first three numbers of the larger number.

Now add these two figures together, drop the tens figure (if any) from the answer, and the units figure will be the third figure in the larger number.

Add the last two figures each time to get the next figure of the large number. Always drop the tens figure from the answer and use only the units figure. Continue until you have six figures in the large number.

EXAMPLE:

Suppose 75 is called. Add 9 which makes 84. Reverse these two figures and you get 48 for the first two figures of the large number. Add the 4 and 8 together and you get 12. Drop the 1 (tens) and the 2 will be the third figure of the large number. You now have 482. Add the last two figures, 82, and you get 10. Drop the 1 (tens) and use the 0. You now have 4820. Add the 2 and 0 which gives 2 making 48202. Again adding the last two figures gives another 2 and the large number is complete, 482022.



Print these out on card stock or glue them to a piece of cardboard. If you laminate them, they will last forever.

5	70	24	97
415617	976392	336954	601123
91	13	64	89
001123	224606	370774	897639
22	80	3	77
134718	987527	213471	684268
69	44	40	11
875279	358314	943707	022460
50	70	51	39
954932	976392	066280	842684

12	90	94	48
123583	998752	301123	752796
42	4	16	84
156178	314594	527965	392134
87	21	75	56
695493	033695	482022	561785
30	59	38	29
932572	864044	741561	831459
79	66	65	85
886404	572910	471897	493257



60	9	41	99
965167	819099	055055	801123
37	86	2	68
640448	594370	112358	774156
49	10	23	32
853819	910112	235831	145943
72	55	57	15
189763	460662	662808	426842
26	92	88	71
538190	101123	796516	088640

81	47	52	19
099875	651673	167303	820224
6	33	35	67
516730	246066	448202	673033
54	95	1	98
369549	401123	011235	701123
76	28	78	7
583145	730336	785381	617853
61	17	43	20
077415	628088	257291	921347



74	46	34	83
381909	550550	347189	291011
14	93	25	45
325729	201123	437077	459437
31	82	73	100
044820	190998	280886	901123
62	8	58	18
178538	718976	763921	729101
27	53	63	96
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