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The world of magic is shrouded in mystery...until now! Little Giant Encyclopedia: Card & Magic Tricks reveals some of the basic secrets of conjuring and illusion. It begins with 30 pages of card handling methods that any beginner will find worthwhile. The magical card section features 83 mathematical tricks using special props and novelties, and you'll also find 66 magical sleights of hand using coins, silks and handkerchiefs, string, rope, and paper. There's even a section on how to get the truly "magical" effects that

will have your audience shaking their heads in disbelief and calling for more.

"Finally, a book that brings the art of magic into the 21st century!"—Rick Merrill, 2006 World Champion of Magic "Every 10 or 20 years a book comes along that introduces a whole new generation to the art and craft of magic. This is it!"—Stan Allen, Editor-in-Chief of Magic Magazine The Book: A book of powerful secrets. How to master the art of direction. Perfect the Sid Lorraine force, essential to card tricks. Harness PATO to read minds. Learn skills like the false trans-

fer, palm switch, big-action-covers-the-small-action, and more. Above all, how to create an emotional hook so that, in the fleeting moment when an effect occurs, magic truly happens, revealing the world to be a place of boundless wonder. Dazzle your friends. Impress a date like never before. Confound your kids, or better yet, confound your parents. Magic shows you how to master over 100 effects that are simple to learn and guaranteed to astonish. The DVD: Included with Magic is an entertaining 132-minute DVD featuring 35 effects performed and taught in great detail, with particu-

lar emphasis on rhythm and action and the nuances of timing and direction. The author: Joshua Jay was crowned champion at the World Magic Seminar in 1998, when he was still a teenager. He's performed and lectured in over 50 countries, is a headliner at the Magic Castle in Hollywood, and writes a monthly column in *MAGIC*, the leading magazine for magicians. His website is www.joshuajay.com.

This book contains a collection of puzzling magic tricks and illusions. Covering an array of different areas, from card tricks to conjuring, this book will mean that you can keep your friends and family amazed and mystified for hours. Using simple, easily obtainable props these tricks are practical to do anywhere, meaning you will always have the perfect trick up your sleeve at any party. The content has been carefully selected for its interest and relevance to a modern audience.

With a little practice and this beginner's guide, you will quickly be amazing your friends and family with your new sleight-of-hand craft. Being an accomplished magician definitely takes practice, but it starts with the right

instruction. *Amazing Magic Tricks for Beginners* offers just the right level of foundational guidance in easy-to-follow, illustrated, step-by-step instruction. Whether it's cards, coins, or magic boxes and hats, even the most inexperienced magic enthusiasts will be able to access the insider magic tips and performance advice taught in this book. Professional magician Bryan Miles from the world-renowned School of Magic presents: A guide to all the tools you will need to do everything from a simple card trick to tricks that use multiple props to execute The practical elements for executing a wide array of tricks, starting with the basics and including fresh takes on traditional tricks Performance skills such as distraction, sleight of hand, storytelling, and pace, which are the key to executing a convincing magic trick *Amazing Magic Tricks for Beginners* will give you the inspiration you need to create a magic show around every trick you perform. No matter which end of the spectrum your magic aspirations fall in, you will succeed in performing your tricks of choice with panache and leave your audience wondering how you

did it. Always wanted to pull a coin out from behind an ear or pull the queen of hearts from a shuffled deck of 52 cards? This book will teach you what you need to know to be the magician you've always wanted to be!

"Step-by-step instructions and photos describe how to perform magic tricks with items from a dinner table"--Provided by publisher.

The last thing world class violinist Ava Wellington wants is some nosy writer publishing her biography. Unfortunately, her manager is insistent this is the best way to capitalize on her fame. Ava is terrified someone might discover the secret she's kept for nearly twenty years, one that could not only destroy her career, but ruin the lives of those she loves most. Journalist Bianca Vega has only just recovered from the loss of her wife and isn't prepared to see Ava again, not after the deep connection she felt almost two years ago. When Bianca is hired to write Ava's biography, they're thrust together on a whirlwind music tour and neither can ignore the desire that's simmered between them since that first chance meeting. Will Ava be able

to trust Bianca with her darkest secret or will hiding her past destroy their chance at forever?

Learn to perform fun, step-by-step tricks with common household items. Learn intriguing facts about magicians of the past and their awe-inspiring tricks. Get the inside scoop on how to stage a magic show that'll leave audiences amazed and astounded.

Over a million copies of Ian Irvine's fantasy novels sold. In a world terrified of magic, a boy is abandoned to the worst school in the world - Grimdgrim. A place designed to crush all magic out of him. But Runcible Jones has to learn magic, to uncover the truth about his father's death on another world. Hurlled through a gate to magical Iltior, Runcible's arrival begins a war that will spread to Earth. But why is Lord Shambles, the blackest sorcerer on Iltior, hunting him? To uncover the truth, Runcible must fight the dreadful sorcerer, but even if he wins, nothing will ever be the same again. After every defeat, Lord Shambles comes back stronger than before, and more determined to punish humanity. Having crushed all resistance on magical Iltior,

he moves the war to Earth, and so much power has been drained that the world is on the verge of collapse. Unfortunately, Earth's weapons are useless against this enemy. Only Runcible Jones can stop him, though it's an impossible battle - a fourteen-year-old boy against the most terrible sorcerer on two worlds. Runcible will need every bit of his courage and cunning to save Earth. Praise for the Series "A great book for rainy days and lazy afternoons." John Cohen, Reading Time "A well written and exciting series." Northern Daily Leader "A great read." Book Bites

From the author of the bestselling Secret Series comes this funny chapter-book mystery about a third-grade magician and the wisecracking rabbit who is the secret brains behind his act. Eight-year-old Oliver dreams of being a professional magician, even though he has terrible stage fright. And now, his friends Teenie and Bea have gotten him invited to a classmate's birthday party as the paid entertainment! Desperate for help, he visits The Great Zoocheeni's Magic Emporium, but comes away with nothing more than a moth-eaten top hat. Oliver is in

for a lucky surprise, though. Inside that top hat hides a wisecracking rabbit named Benny, who agrees to help Oliver with his act. But at the party, Oliver is accused of robbery! He'll need to solve the mystery of the missing robo-cat to clear his name before he and Benny can amaze the crowd with their grand finale.

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great read." Book Bites
 Caroline Fairchild has never met a mystic, never known the Magic, never matched wits with a dark queen and never ever ridden bareback on a unicorn. All she knows is that her life has taken a turn for the worst since her step mother banished her to the wood shed. But all that is about to change when she meets Ali, a mysterious girl of the garden who shares with her its secrets. Guided by a mystic and helped by the magic Caroline along with Uni, a mystical friend brought to life through the wonder of dreams, must struggle to find their way through the the forest of shadows. On the path they must confront their own fear and doubt; for it will be the only way they will be able to find and rescue Ali, the tiny miss who in fact has a secret of her own...perhaps the best kept secret of all!

Ormond McGill has hypnotised audiences all over the world with his exciting stage shows. Here are some of the secrets of his success. " ... fun-reading and additionally a resource of little-known information for magicians and hypnotists." Dr. Dwight F. Damon, President, National Guild of Hypnotists, Inc

Don't fight for customers, let them fight over you! Have you ever queued for a restaurant? Pre-ordered something months in advance? Fought for tickets that sell out in a day? Had a hairdresser with a six-month waiting list? There are people who don't chase clients, clients chase them. In a world of endless choices, why does this happen? Why do people queue up? Why do they pay more? Why will they book months in advance? Why are these people and products in such high demand? And how can you get a slice of that action? In *Oversubscribed*, entrepreneur and best-selling author Daniel Priestley explains why...and, most importantly, how. This book is a recipe for ensuring demand outstrips supply for your product or service, and you have scores of customers lining up to give you money. *Oversubscribed*: Shows leaders, marketers, and entrepreneurs how they can get customers queuing up to use their services and products while competitors are forced to fight for business Explains how to become oversubscribed, even in a crowded marketplace Is full of practical tips alongside inspiring examples to alter our mind-

sets and get us bursting with ideas Is written by a successful entrepreneur who's used these ideas to excel in the ventures he has launched

The Wiz : adapted from "The wonderful Wizard of Oz" by L. Frank Baum.

"Teaches children dozens of easy-to-learn magic tricks using common materials; includes both performance and instructional videos for each trick featuring the author"--

A New York Times best-seller and USA Today best-selling book! From award-winning actor Neil Patrick Harris comes the magical first book in a new series with plenty of tricks up its sleeve. When street magician Carter runs away, he never expects to find friends and magic in a sleepy New England town. But like any good trick, things change instantly as greedy B.B. Bosso and his crew of crooked carnies arrive to steal anything and everything they can get their sticky fingers on. After a fateful encounter with the local purveyor of illusion, Dante Vernon, Carter teams up with five other like-minded illusionists. Together, using both teamwork and magic, they'll set out to save the town of Mineral Wells from Bosso's villainous clutches. These six Magic

Misfits will soon discover adventure, friendship, and their own self-worth in this delightful new series. (Psst. Hey, you! Yes, you! Congratulations on reading this far. As a reward, I'll let you in on a little secret... This book isn't just a book. It's a treasure trove of secrets and ciphers and codes and even tricks. Keep your eyes peeled and you'll discover more than just a story--you'll learn how to make your own magic!)

This entertaining book is a complete guide to card tricks that will delight the amateur and professional magician alike. A comprehensive collection of tricks, which are extensively illustrated with explanatory diagrams and drawings. This book contains classic material dating back to the 1900s and before. The content has been carefully selected for its interest and relevance to a modern audience.

This is the story of the irresistible chemistry of Destiny, and the love of a man and a woman . . . a bond they could not understand . . . a journey they never suspected. Who will win, Fate or Family? Their story is the continuance of one begun four hundred years before at the cross-

road of Fate. But today, Marcel and Monique must struggle to realize the fruits of their powerful feelings.

Blindsided by an attack that destroys her home and blamed for murder, Karolina Dalca, a half-vampire, escapes, only to plunge into the magical societies from which she was sheltered. Betrayed by those around her, she abandons her dreams of becoming an investigator and flees, trusting only herself. Her police internship would never prove more useful. Hoofing it through the wilderness, she makes it to her university dorm, disheveled but delightfully deflowered. Enter a full vampire: one wielding dark magic and a ride out of Canada. A fugitive from the law, Karo complies with his demands to escape, unsure whether his requests are bewitched. She vows to clear her name and avenge her mother's death, but Karo's family secrets aren't so easily left behind.

Various types of magic tricks are explained with diagrams and "lines" of chatter to go with the tricks.

An urban fantasy with everything from romance to mystery, *The Witch's Bell*

Series follow a feisty witch, Ebony Bell, as she solves magical malady after magical malady.

SOMETIMES SECRETS ARE TOO BIG TO IGNORE. After a lifetime of lacking confidence at work and in life, Rebecca has finally found her voice. Her blog for women is gaining traction, even getting noticed by the world's top fashion magazine. When they request an article, Rebecca is beyond thrilled. So why is her boyfriend Kyle so concerned? Kyle has a blank spot in his past he won't share—not even with Rebecca. But his secret is blown when a powerful woman from Kyle's fashion past, becomes desperate to get his attention. It's attention he never wanted and has been trying to forget for eleven years. As Kyle takes steps to heal, Rebecca's article becomes a global sensation. Events force Kyle's past and present to converge, putting Rebecca's future at serious risk. Kyle and Rebecca must now act to reclaim their lives before it's too late. With this bold novel, Paulette Stout delivers a deeply personal story that proves the power we hold to reclaim our own lives. *We Never Say* is yet another bingeable read from a rising Women's Fic-

tion author. This book includes delicate subject matter.

Step-by-step instructions and photos describe how to perform magic tricks with everyday items.

Abracadabra! The magic word is . . . science! Make coins disappear Crush a soda can --without even touching it Write an invisible message-that suddenly reappears out of nowhere Teach your cereal to jump and dance, and much more! Is it magic? No, it's science! There's a lot more to magic than just waving a wand. From chemistry to biology, gravity to electricity, discover the amazing magical powers of science with these fun-filled, easy-to-perform activities. You won't need any special materials to become a science magician --just everyday things found around the house. With Magic Science, you'll be dazzling family and friends quicker than you can say, "Nothing up my sleeve!"

Here's the ultimate modern guide to magic tricks for everyday situations: magically feed a parking metre, make yourself levitate, pull a banana out of thin air or make a shot glass disappear. This handbook features more than 40 do-it-yourself illusions

to perform, with step-by-step illustrations and instructions.

Inspired by the much-loved classic Ballet Shoes by Noel Streatfeild, Into the Spotlight is a magical new story from bestselling author and acclaimed performer Carrie Hope Fletcher. Brilliant Aunt Maude visits seashores the world over and has become quite the pebble collector. Pebbles of all shapes, sizes and colours and even one that looked a bit like Elvis Presley if you squinted a bit. Her favourite pebbles, however, are Marigold, Mabel and Morris. One by one, and by strange and unusual ways, each child arrives at the stage door of Brilliant Aunt Maude's theatre in the heart of London, home to an extraordinary cast of performers. There's Dante the miraculous magician, Petunia the storyteller and seventy-year-old contortionists - the Fortune Sisters! But ticket sales are dwindling and the curtains might have to close - for the final time. Until one day, as the Pebbles are exploring the many nooks and crannies of the theatre, they stumble upon something they were never meant to find . . . something that just might save the theatre after all . . .

An enchanting new series about an eleven-year-old witch, Beatrix, will cast a S-P-E-L-L on readers! Eleven-year-old Beatrix is thrilled -- she can finally cast spells just like the rest of her family. When her non-magical best friend George finds out her secret, however, the result is T-R-O-U-B-L-E!

Seven years after they first came together, the members of the Black Hand Gang meet up again. They find much has changed. Whilst they cherish their shared past, they discover they have chosen different paths in life, and are preparing for adult life in different ways.

Popular Mechanics inspires, instructs and influences readers to help them master the modern world. Whether it's practical DIY home-improvement tips, gadgets and digital technology, information on the newest cars or the latest breakthroughs in science -- PM is the ultimate guide to our high-tech lifestyle.

This handy book explains and shows clearly how to perform 100 close-up magic tricks and illusions. Paul Zenon, David Blaine, Dynamo and a host of other great magicians have made fooling people cool

again. Paul Zenon gives you advice on how to best perform tricks, when and how to use them for the greatest effect, as well as offering his unique insight to the world of magic and illusion.

This comprehensive, in-depth, and personal journey through the eyes of one of the world's most famous comics creators, Dave Gibbons, spans his earliest years copying Superman and Batman comics as a kid, to co-creating the bestselling graphic novel of all-time, Watchmen, and beyond. Presented alphabetically, with informally written anecdotes that can be read from cover-to-cover or simply dipped into, Gibbons reveals unseen comics' pitches, life as the first Comics Laureate, and going from being a fanzine artist to infiltrating DC Comics in the 1970s. The book covers everything from working on Doctor Who and meeting Tom Baker to being inducted into the Eisner Hall of Fame. Gibbons also discusses, for the first time anywhere, the reasons why he and fellow Watchmen co-creator Alan Moore no longer speak. Packed with over 300 iconic, rarely seen, and unpublished art pieces and photographs, Confabulation:

An Anecdotal Autobiography not only entertains, but peels back the layers of a fascinating career in comics.

From beloved author Diana López comes an exciting middle grade story about three friends, a magic competition, and how far they'll go to succeed. Sixth graders Dominic, Loop, and Z stumble upon a new magic shop in town and can't wait to spend their summer mastering cool tricks to gain access to the Vault, a key holders-only back room bound to hold all kinds of secrets. And once they get in, they set their sights even higher: a huge competition at the end of the summer. They work on their card tricks, sleights, and vanishing acts, trying to come up with the most awesome routines possible....Problem is, the trip is expensive, and it's money that each guy's family just doesn't have. To make things worse, the shop-owners' daughter, Ariel (who just so happens to be last year's competition winner), will do anything to make sure the boys don't come out on top. Even pit them against one another. Will they make it to the competition? And if so, at what cost? Diana López, author

of Confetti Girl and Ask My Mood Ring How I Feel, offers a story that's just the right mix of heart, high jinks, and a bit of magic.

Christopher Milbourne presents a selection of classic magic tricks originally published over the course of 50 years in "The Sphinx," the most famous magazine for magicians.

Intended to support the national initiative to strengthen learning in areas of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, this book helps librarians who work with youth in school and public libraries to build better collections and more effectively use these collections through readers' advisory and programming. • Introduces more than 500 STEM resource suggestions for toddlers to young adults • Highlights more than 25 detailed library program or activity suggestions to be paired with STEM book titles • Provides resource suggestions for professional development • Contains bonus sections on STEM-related graphic novels, apps, and other media

From a professional magician and New York Times bestselling author, 116 tricks, stunts, and brain-

teasers that will engage the grandchildren and provide giggles, jaw-dropping awe, and wonderful memories. Guaranteed to make grandparenting even more fun, *Grandpa Magic* is sure to entertain—and crack up—the grandkids. From the old pull-a-quarter-from-behind-a-kid's-ear trick and “removing your thumb” to card tricks, stunts for the dinner table, and verbal puzzles that surprise and delight, there's something for everyone. Step-by-step illustrations make them easy to learn.

A valuable, one-stop guide to collection development and finding ideal subject-specific activities and projects for children and teens. For busy librarians and educators, finding instructions for projects, activities, sports, and games that children and teens will find interesting is a constant challenge. This guide is a time-saving, one-stop resource for locating this type of information—one that also serves as a valuable collection development tool that identifies the best among thousands of choices, and can be used for program planning, reference and readers' advisory, and curriculum support. *Build It, Make It, Do It, Play It!* iden-

tifies hundreds of books that provide step-by-step instructions for creating arts and crafts, building objects, finding ways to help the disadvantaged, or engaging in other activities ranging from gardening to playing games and sports. Organized by broad subject areas—arts and crafts, recreation and sports (including indoor activities and games), and so forth—the entries are further logically organized by specific subject, ensuring quick and easy use. Provides an excellent resource for libraries considering creating makerspaces. Helps educators locate instructions for entertaining and educational program and curricular activities that range from cooking and e-drawing to performing magic tricks, solving puzzles, mask-making, and outdoor games. Utilizes a subject heading organization and indexes multi-topic titles by chapter for ease of use. Supplies plans targeted for distinct age ranges: lower elementary (K–3rd grade), elementary (3rd–6th grade), middle school (6th–9th grade), and high school (9th grade and above). Includes an appendix containing additional online sources of information that augment the book's content.

Who has time nowadays to put in the graft to succeed? And why bother, when the truly important things in life only take a quarter of an hour to master? Here, Tom Cutler proves that following the path to becoming disgustingly rich, stylish, intelligent, thin, happy, classy, successful and a legend in the bedroom need take no longer than it does to cut your toenails, or listen to The Archers. Learn how to become as popular as your dog. Which sports car suits your personality? How to work out the date of your death. Are you a genius? With Tom Cutler's help you will soon find inner perfection and hugely impress your family, friends and work colleagues. From the author of the brilliant *A Gentleman's Bedside Book*, this is a hilariously funny but deeply practical guide to self-improvement.

Reveals secrets of over 120 magic tricks, with over 1,000 color photographs. Gives in-depth information on how to perform amazing closeup tricks, baffling optical illusions and incredible mental magic.

Ashes is one of the petty thieves and con artists of Burroughside, trying to stay on the good side of Mr. Ragged, the district's

vicious crime lord, while avoiding the wild Ravagers who roam the streets at night. In the midst of running a rigged card game, he catches the attention of Jack Lantern, who sees potential in the young thief and becomes his mentor. Jack takes Ashes into his crew and trains him to use a power that can spin illusions. The crew is planning a heist against one of the cream of society, but Ashes is waging his own war against Mr. Ragged.