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Mac King's Campfire Magic: 50 Amazing, Easy-to-Learn Tricks And Mind-Blowing Stunts Using Cards, String, Pencils, And Other Stuff From Your Knapsack



Synopsis

Renowned magician/comedian Mac King presents more than 50 amazing tricks and astounding (and often hilarious) feats of illusion for kids ages 9 to 12?perfect for the campsite or the great indoors! In a book as lively and appealing as the magician himself, Mac King's Campfire Magic features dozens of easy-to-learn magic tricks and stunts, with a focus on feats that can be performed with rope, hats, bandannas, knives, coins, twigs, and anything else found around the campfire (or in the kitchen junk drawer). Mac's humorous, easy-to-follow instructions (as well as the antics of his sidekick, Lewis the Monkey) are brought to life by well-known illustrator Bill King, who also draws the widely syndicated comic strip "Mac King's Magic in a Minute." Readers will learn how to bake a cake in a cap; tie a knot with one hand; read their friends' minds; grow a plant?instantly; transform a dead twig into a leafy one; and much more! And as a bonus, two full-length magic acts (complete with patter) are included. With its durable binding and compact size, Mac King's Campfire Magic is the perfect field guide to entertaining friends and family, whether on the trail or in the living room.

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Customer Reviews

As a scout leader and a former amateur magician myself, I wanted some ideas for things we can do on campouts and various scouting programs. I was fortunate to see Mr. Kings Las Vegas show 12 years ago and got another of his book autographed at that time. This one has easy and fun

activities that are sure to brighten the campfire events.

"Mac King's Campfire Magic: 50 Amazing, Easy-to-Learn Tricks and Mind-Blowing Stunts" is a collection of more than 50 incredible magic tricks and illusions that can be performed while camping using "cards, string, pencils, and other stuff from your knapsack!" King's easy instructions are assisted by his comic sidekick, Lewis the Monkey, illustrated by Bill King who draws the syndicated comic strip "Mac King's Magic in a Minute." Many jolly times are promised for all who undertake the implementation of these fun magic tricks. A snappy introduction by famed comedy team Penn & Teller presents the following advice: "If you can find a friend to study this book with, You'll be able to help each other. You can take turns being magician and audience. You can catch each other's mistakes and practice together. Take it from Penn & Teller in their Foreword to "Mac King's Campfire Magic": a magic partner is a good thing to have (p. 6)." In ten easily accessible chapters, "Mac King's Campfire Magic" presents the basics of countless simple magic routines that kids can learn and use to entertain. Magic practice can have a good influence on self esteem when used in this way. Like all good scouts, the motto of Mac King and Lewis is "Be prepared!" That includes something like be prepared to have fun!

I've known of Mac King for many years. He's a pal and a colleague. Any one who has sense and has gone to Las Vegas in the last decade has been held spellbound by his show at Harrah's. So, what a welcome addition to magic literature by the King family ! The illustrations are charming, the concept unique and the magic exceptional. I think you'll howl in delight at the great job of educational entertainment that is Campfire Magic. Bravo...Mac Makes Magic again...Ben Robinson[...]

The book has a wealth of information, and is invaluable for anyone that works with kids around a campfire. The resources cover a wide range of ages for the kids, and a wide range of complexity.

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