



Foolproof Rabbit Production

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Apparatus and Effect:

We supply you with a cage, an open bottom box, and a black metal container with no bottom and holes in one side. The metal container holds your rabbit and the holes are for air. A flat wooden rabbit completes the outfit. Your rabbit should be of such a size that it will fit easily in the metal container when the container is placed within the 4 wooden strips inside the cage.

Method and Set-Up:

Note that there are magnets on the inside of the bottomless wooden box and also on the back of the flat rabbit. When the black metal container is placed within the boundaries of the 4 strips inside the cage, open end downward, it will be attracted to and picked up by the magnets inside the bottomless wooden box. To see how everything works place the black box open end downward within the boundaries of the wooden strips. Have the air holes facing the rear. Set the wooden rabbit on the front strip in the center and let the magnet attract it to the front side of the black container. place the open bottom box over all. Be sure the box rests completely on the cage floor. Raise up the box and the metal container and flat rabbit will be carried along with it. To set up the trick place the bunny inside the metal box and fix as above. Have the flat rabbit set aside for the moment.

Presentation and Handling:

Cage is on table. Bottomless wooden box is set aside. "Ladies and Gentlemen, boys and girls, it is now time for me to show you my magic rabbit. I'm sure you will be very impressed!" (Bring out small wooden rabbit). "Here he is! His name is pancake. It used to be fluffy, but he played in the street one day...so now his name is pancake. Believe it or not he can do some great tricks. Watch! Pancake, turnover..(turn the wooden rabbit in a circle). Now Pancake,sit..(just hold the wooden rabbit in an upright position). Pancake, play dead..(let the wooden rabbit fall flat)." (Audience will not be particularly impressed with these stunts).

"I see that you are not much impressed by the amazing tricks that Pancake does. Let's try one more trick. For this I need the help of a child from the audience." (Bring up child. Have him look inside the bottomless box..even have him put his head in the box). Place Pancake inside the cage with the bottom of the figure resting on the front strip in about the center. "This box is my transporter machine. Here is how it works. We count to three. Lower the box into cage over pancake while you speak. At the count of three cover Pancake completely and immediately lift the box away showing the real live rabbit!). ...and at the count of three Pancake becomes a real live rabbit!" (Applause from the audience will be spontaneous).

Comments:

For added fun you can have the child wave various comedy magic wands at "Pancake" before you use the white box. of course nothing happens..the wands are apparently defective. So then you bring in the magic transporter machine (the white box) in a final effort to make something special take place. It also is fun to have the child actually put his/her head into the white box in the process of inspecting it. Once the head is inside the box ask the child if anything is in the box. The reply will be, "no". Then say, "your head is in the box!"

If you don't want to work with a rabbit, you might use a small birthday cake - or spring flowers (You could fill the cage with flowers in a split second!) - or a stuffed animal such as a teddy bear - or a pitcher of milk - or a pile of fruit - there are many possibilities. Most people remember the "Star Trek" T.V. series and are familiar with the idea of a transporter machine. It supposedly transports things/people from one place to another. You may want to get creative and use this cage in context of a portable transporter and work it with a variety of props.

Have Fun

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