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This is one of the easiest tricks you could possibly do and you'll be surprised at how many people you will shock using it.

As with most magic, it's all in the presentation.

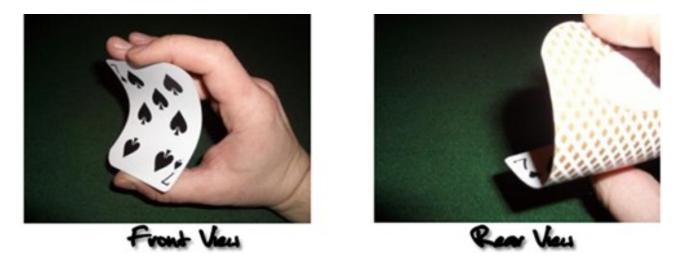
Enjoy!

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## FLEXIBLE CARDS

Did you know you can tell the value of a card by how flexible it is? The more ink content the stiffer and the less ink content the more flexible. For example a picture card such as a king has lots of ink and is therefore stiff and a low value card such as a two has less ink and is less stiff. Did you know you can also tell the suit of the card by feeling the face of the card with your fingers?

The magician takes the top card off a shuffled and cut deck and holds it facing you. He flexes the card to determine the stiffness and feels the front of the card. He then reveals the selected card is the 7 of spades. The next card is taken, he bends the card again between his thumb and forefinger and feels the front and reveals correctly that it is the king of hearts. Finally, you are asked to take a card of your choice from the deck and pass it back to the magician. He repeats the process and gets it right again!



The secret to this trick is simple. When you flex the card in your hand, if you bend it sufficiently you can see the the bottom corner of the face of the card as show in the picture.

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