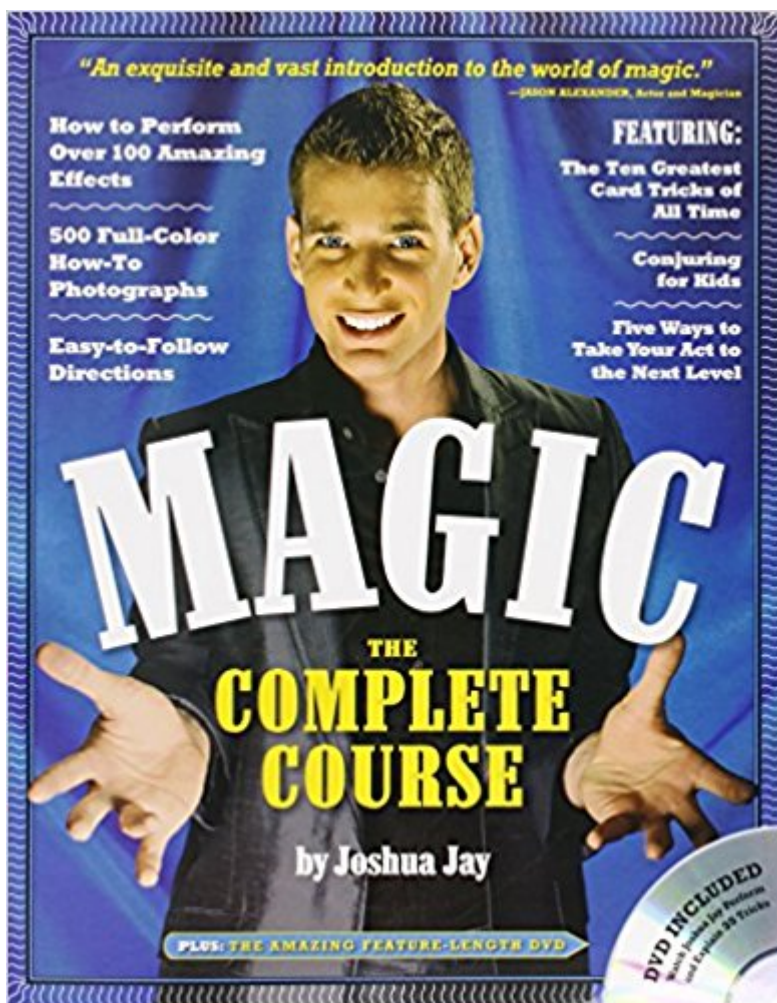




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# Magic: The Complete Course



## Synopsis

Magic is everywhere, from the big spectacle celebrity of David Copperfield and Siegfried and Roy to the quirky Penn and Teller to the spooky David Blaine and Criss Angel to the endless material on YouTube. But until now, learning it has never been easyâ•that's all about to change with *Magic*, a book that does for close-up magic what *How to Grill* does for barbecue. Written by charismatic young magician Joshua Jay, *Magic* combines expertise, photographs, and step-by-step directions showing how to perform 100 tricks. Joshua Jay took home the top prize at the World Magic Seminar (the Olympics of magic) when he was just 16 years old. Ten years later, he continues to perform magic, write about magic, eat, sleep, and breathe magic. Here, he brings all his passion and knowledge to teaching magic. Each trick is broken down into the Effect, the Secret, the Set-up, and, most important, the Performance, with lessons on what to say, how to direct the audience's attention, where to keep your hands, and so on. (In other words, how to be smart about the things your audience is surprisingly clueless about.) Here are the Ten Greatest Card Tricks; tricks to dazzle a dinner date; tricks to perform for the boss (poke a hole through his shirt, then magically mend it); tricks especially for kids; and even tricks for an audience in another stateâ•with "Australian Self-Help," you can find a participant's chosen card over the phone. It's the Aha! book for a subject whose time has come.

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"Finally, a book that brings the art of magic into the 21st century!"â "Rick Merrill, 2006 World Champion of Magic --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

The book is excellent . Even though I haven't received it yet. Not sure why the seller is taking so long to send. I have an electronic copy on kindle. I wanted a hard copy. I ordered it around July 20th and still haven't received the book. The book itself is a great read for anyone wanting to learn some magic effects. Amendment to this review. Shortly after writing this review I got an email saying my purchase was delivered to my house. So even though it took about a week to receive my purchase it was well worth the wait. I do want to amend my first part of this review to say that overall the seller and quality of the purchase were excellent.

This is a good ebook and is easy to read with easy directions, quite lengthy and most of the tricks are ones I had not seen before, the writer has a very laid back style.

This book is so much fun and my nephew loves it! He's learning new tricks all the time and amazing me as to how they're done. You really don't expect amazing tricks from lil kids, but with the help of this book, he's pulling off some pretty great stuff. We are all glad he got us to order this book for him now. It's a wonderful hobby and it has helped him develop his self-esteem and social skills, which were fine to begin with, only now he's reached new levels. Parents, buy this and other magic trick books for your kids if they want them, you won't be sorry.

This book is awesome and makes learning magic effects easier than most books out on the market. I have even learned some easier ways to perform some of my other effects better.

The book is very good, but the DVD is what makes this item something any magician at any level of expertise should consider. Mr. Jay is clearly a talented performer, but also a careful and competent teacher. I have had the Invisible Deck and a certain trick coin sitting around unused for years. After viewing Jay's handling of each effect, I plan to make them part of my "set list." The author correctly views a magic trick as a device through which one can convey their personality to others. Therein lies real entertainment.

Great book and DVD for beginner magicians. He made it to the talent show with some of his tricks

My son and I really enjoy learning the magic. We've only done about five at this time but enjoy it so far.

This book is great. It was really interesting. I learned a lot of magic. It is a really special book because it gives detailed explanation about the performance, which is not something every book has. This book really inspired me to perform magic. It's amazing what can be done with a deck of cards, or pretty much anything else. Really creative ideas for beginner magicians, with tricks that can be performed at any time mostly without preparation. Waiting for another one to come out!

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