

# Magic trick

Here's how to be a magician with the **Disappearing Egg**.

To demonstrate your magical powers invite someone up from the audience, then look that person up and down suspiciously. Suddenly you reach into their jacket (or windcheater or whatever) and pull out an egg.

You pretend to be horrified. 'Well, keeping eggs in your jacket! Were you going to throw it at me? I'm smarter than that, my friend, and I'm going to throw the egg away!'

Then you turn to the audience and throw the egg at them. As they scramble for cover, they will be surprised to be showered with confetti, and the egg will disappear. Eggciting stuff!

## Props

1 egg  
pin, needle or skewer  
confetti  
sticky tape

## Preparation

Take a raw egg (ask permission from your parents) and carefully make a small hole in each end with the pin. Blow into one hole and the raw egg will come out of the other hole. (Catch the contents in a bowl.)

Rinse inside the egg and let it dry.

**Note:** It is a good idea to prepare several eggs at a time, as you will need some to practise on. Blowing eggs is a very tricky business, and it may take you several attempts. You could be eating scrambled eggs for weeks!



Cover one hole with a small piece of sticky tape. Carefully enlarge the other hole and fill it with confetti, then seal that end, too.

## Performance

When you invite your volunteer up, have the egg in your pocket with your hand already around it. Then you pretend to pull it out of their jacket.

Just before you throw the egg into the audience, crush it in your hand. The small bits of eggshell will mingle with the falling confetti and the egg "disappears".

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