

Talcott Mountain Science Center

Topic The Science of Magic

Home School Science

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Here's some information about the activities your student did with us. Links at the bottom will help you explore further. Enjoy!

What did we do (content, skills, data collection)?

Magic Wands

Made personalized magic wands

Professional Magicians

Watched, analyzed, theorized, and predicted the tricks done by professional magicians

Stage Magic

Watched, analyzed, theorized and predicted the secrets of large-scale stage magic

How did we do it (materials & methods)?

Magic Wands

Using dowels and acrylic paints, students fashioned a personalized magic wand.

Professional Magicians

Students viewed "the science of magic" dvd sections, as well as videos of Ricky Jay, Criss Angel, David Blaine, Chappy Brazil, Harry Anderson, Michael Ammar, and Mac King.

Stage Magic

Students viewed large-scale stage- and outdoor- magic tricks by Franz Harary, David Copperfield, Penn & Teller and others.

Where can we find out more?

Franz Harary moves Diamond Head: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Koz1iL6sjjY>

David Copperfield Vansihes the Statue of Liberty: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=823GNH4Rczg>