

Audio transcript

Don't Miss A Trick Video Script

Oh!

That is insane!

Hey guys, Troy the Magician here hitting the streets with HSBC UK. As a professional magician, my aim is to entertain people using a specialist set of skills. However, these techniques can also be used by fraudsters to fool people. So, today I'm going to show you how to spot their tricks.

So, I've noticed that you are wearing a very expensive looking ring.

Yeah, it's my engagement ring.

Engagement ring?

Can I have it?

Give it back in a couple of seconds or?

Potentially, yeah.

Potentially!

I'm a professional, you can trust me. - Ok.

Yeah, look, it's for everyone's entertainment.

And for yours.

Criminals put you under pressure and force you into making mistakes. They call this the hot state. It's a trick to lower your defences and fool you into handing something over that you shouldn't.

I'm gonna keep the ring in a safe place.

Yeah.

Hold my wrist and make sure nothing can escape.

You can let go.

The ring melts in my hand.

No way!

And it vanished.

That's it! That's the disappearing ring trick.

Ok. And now, get it back, yeah?

Now, that's the trick!

Follow me, I'll show you where it is.

Look, on there.

No way.

What was the year that you were born?

1993.

Use that to open it.

Ok.



Wow, how did you get it there? That's mad.

Oh my god.

That's definitely your ring?

That is insane.

Yeah, this is mine.

You just gave your ring to a total stranger, just because I pressured you into it.

Now listen, don't give your personal stuff to anyone. Your pin number, your password, and definitely not your ring.

How old are you?

21.

What's your shoe size? Where do you live? Are you in a relationship? What do you do for work?

Truck driver.

Yeah.

Ok, with that information you gave me, I'm going to try and guess your passcode. Hold my wrist, but don't push me towards the number, let me try and gauge it from you.

Oh ok.

You're good at this, your poker face.

Absolutely.

You might want to change that. – I didn't expect that.

Yeah.

Just like a magician, criminals are always one step ahead. Now I can't reveal my secrets, but they will call you out of the blue having already researched you online. And they'll ask some seemingly harmless questions to get the information they need. Keep your bank passwords and passcodes secure. Don't share them with anybody. Not even HSBC UK.

The reason I stopped you is because I want to borrow your bank card.

Right, ok.

I'll make sure you get it straight back.

It makes me a little bit anxious, but I'm a nice guy.

I'm a nice guy.

I wouldn't do anything to like, take your information.

You trust me, yeah?

I trust you.

There you go. - Thank you.

Us Brits are way too polite; we struggle with confrontation, and we find it hard to say no. I'm always one step ahead of my audience, knowing that I can use their good manners to my advantage.

need to give you this in exchange – ok.

And just keep this in between your hands, just like that.

See how I gained their trust. I'm a lovely guy, but I'm not that lovely.

I want you to think of a playing card.

10 of hearts.



10 of hearts, ok.

I'm going to try and get your bank card to change places with the 10 of hearts that's in that pocket.

Watch carefully. 3..2...

What, no way!

What's the card you're thinking of?

King of hearts.

The king of hearts. Watch carefully...

3...2...1... the king of hearts.

So if the playing card is here, that can only mean that your bank card must be in the deck.

It's sealed.

Yeah, open it up!

Where the king of hearts should be – How did you do that?

Wow! That is magic.

Usually, you'd wanna trust people who seem polite and professional. But criminals bet on the fact that you don't wanna say no. And they'll usually hook you in with a text or an email. Their routines are so good that you won't suspect a thing. I've got the skills to get your banking information, but so the people that wanna scam you.

Fraudsters are experts in deception. They'll take advantage of your politeness and decency. They'll call you using numbers that look authentic, and they'll use personal information about you that they found online to make themselves look more genuine.

Just like an illusion, it's all an act.

Be on your guard and don't miss a trick.