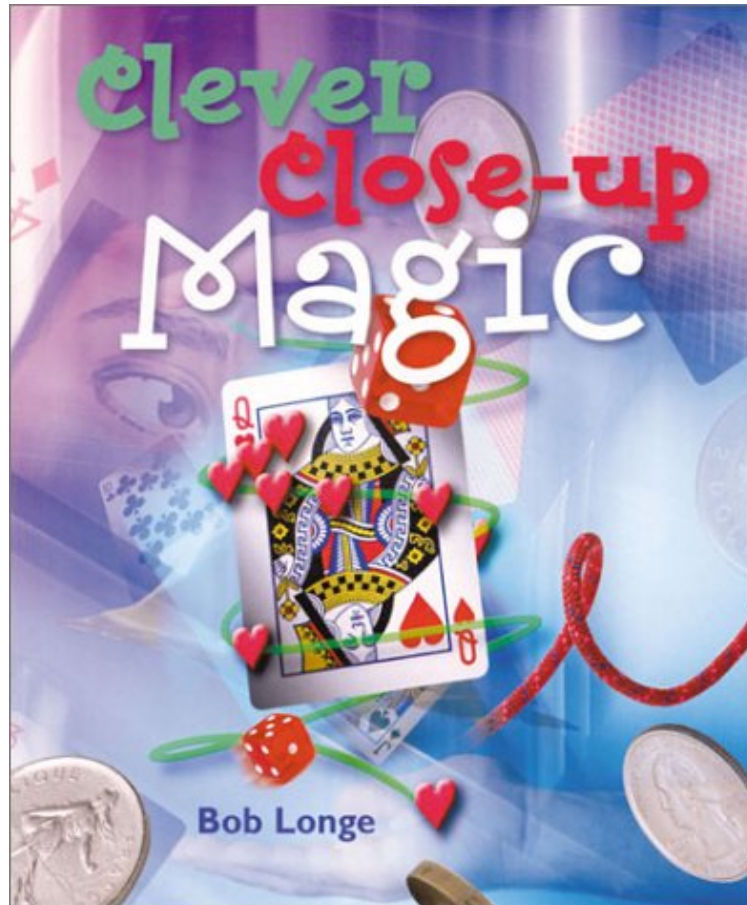


## Clever Close-up Magic

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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Most of this isn't even "magic" By A Customer Decent sized book, and the copy I picked up has a nice spiral binding and nice, thick pages...with pictures of all the tricks and such. That's the little to like about this book. Most of the tricks in this book are fairly lame...number tricks, adding tricks, no real magic like I expected. A lot of these tricks are really easy, but that's because they're really boring and mostly silly...if you did these tricks for most people, they would laugh at you for even attempting them. Most are obvious number tricks or tricks that are very similar...even when he gets into the car tricks- it's not really magic as you would usually see, but laying down cards into order and doing some simple trick that most people would be able to figure out themselves. I got this book and a couple of others, so I could learn a few tricks- but these aren't the type of silly tricks I would want to dare attempt...If I did half of these for people, some of them would probably end of laughing at me for even wasting the effort.

Invite the audience up close; they'll still never figure out how these easy tricks work. You can perform these magic tricks anytime, anywhere, under almost any conditions. Start with a can't-miss gambit, where you challenge your friends to pick the hand that holds the odd number of coins. Then try a classic; though it sounds like "a real stretch," it's a mere sleight of hand to make a handkerchief seem to get longer, and longer...and longer. Next, toss out five dice; ask a volunteer to shake them up, and then pile one on top of the other. Look away the whole time. Turn back, and shock everyone by naming the top numbers of every single one of the dice in the pile. How? You won't believe how simple it is. Plus: astonishing magic with math, hankies, cards, paper clips, and more!