

SPLIT DECISION CARD PREDICTION

THE EFFECT

You introduce ten half cards, cut from five different cards. Any spectator is allowed to freely shuffle the pieces and then distribute any number between himself and another spectator. He's in complete control. He can keep two and give the other spectator eight, keep six and give the other person four, etc. The pieces are assembled and each person notes the card located at his number. Each spectator is now allowed to remove his half card from packet. You now show your prediction and ask the spectators to turn over their half cards - each has half of the same card and it matches your prediction! The entire effect is virtually self-working, absolutely no sleights or difficult moves, no extra cards or gaffs, make it up in minutes with any size cards. A great mental card trick you can carry in your pocket and do anytime!

REQUIRED

Five playing cards of any size, jumbo, bridge or poker. Cut each one exactly in half using a straight edge, ruler and X-acto knife. If you're using extra Bicycle cards, there is a "spade shaped" ornamental design facing outward on each side; which you can use to align your ruler and cut perfectly in half.

PRESENTATION

"Here sir, I have a number of playing cards that are cut in half. As you can see, this half matches this half, this one this one and so on throughout this miniature deck."

"Now, while my back is turned will you kindly mix these cards to your satisfaction and then while my back is still turned please deal to some other person, face down, as many or as few cards as you wish. What cards you each get is unimportant. This is merely a means of obtaining a NUMBER. Each of you count your cards and remember how many you each have."

"Now that you each have a NUMBER, remember that number! "Now I will turnaround, for the first time and face you and I will pick up the cards. I will also write a prediction which I want you, sir, to hold."

"Now, you sir, who dealt out the cards of your own free will, as I show you these cards one at a time I want you to look at each card, and when I show the card that corresponds with your secret NUMBER, REMEMBER IT, but don't tell me or even say 'STOP' -- just remember the name of the card at your number!"

"Next, you sir! As I show you these cards when I come to your known-to-you-only number YOU may tell me to STOP and then I want you to thoroughly shuffle the cards. Thank you!"

"I am now going to ask you sir (either spectator No. 1 or 2) to look through the deck, pick out your card and lay it face down on the table. Fine! Now then you, too, sir, look through the remaining cards, pick out yours and you, too, place it face down."

"Actually almost before we started you will remember I wrote a prediction which this gentleman holds. Will you open it and read what it says? THE TEN OF HEARTS? (Or whatever you wrote.)"

"Thank you. Now if each of you gentlemen will turn your cards face up you will find you each have a half of that very card and that they match perfectly!"

THE METHOD

The method and handling are diabolically simple, just follow the presentation as described. Now, when you turn around after each person has a NUMBER you pick up the cards spectator No. 1 has and you NOTE THE BOTTOM CARD of this packet. Next, place this packet (belonging to spectator No. 1) on top of the other packet belonging to spectator No. 2. NOW WRITE YOUR PREDICTION which is the bottom card noted (from spectator 1's packet).

Take the combined packet as it now is and show the cards one at a time from the top of the packet to the FIRST spectator. After showing him the face of each card, place it face down into a single pile on the table. When you get to the last card AND THIS IS IMPORTANT, USE IT AS A SCOOP to pick up the other nine cards. LEAVE THIS CARD UNDERNEATH PACKET.

Next show the cards one at a time from the top of the deck to spectator No. 2. After HE has seen his card at HIS NUMBER you can either stop and have the cards mixed or keep on going until all are shown. Regardless of WHAT you do - the result is the same!

In this "quickie," neither helper nor any other spectators will realize that EACH person actually saw the SAME one-half card! This is a great mental card prediction that can be performed anytime, anyplace. Plus, it really stands out and is remembered due to the fact that it is done with just pieces of cards!

WE HOPE YOU HAVE FUN WITH IT!