Additional Classroom Activities

Here are some additional ideas to use in the classroom to further explore magic and science!



Activity 1: Make Magic!

- Have students create their own magic tricks. Promote students to develop their own
 unique magic trick. Guide them through the steps of the Scientific Method to help them in their
 quest to create their very own illusion.
- If time is of the essence perform this activity as an all class magic trick. Ask students to share ideas of a magic trick they'd like to create. Select one idea and as a class follow the steps of the Scientific Method to make the trick a reality!
- Remember sometimes no matter how many times you try the trick won't work. Be sure to document
 your experiments and the single variables you change each time. Use those notes to spawn classroom
 discussion on why the magic didn't work. What else could be tried to make it work? Have students
 suggest other methods to try. Did they work?

Activity 2: Magic Show!

- Have students select a magic trick from a magic book in the library.
 *If you're school library doesn't have any magic books find some magic tricks online to hand out to the students.
 See credits/resources at the end of this guide.
- Discuss with students the importance of showmanship when performing magic. Encourage them to use magic words, hand gestures, etc. when performing.
- Instruct the students to practice the trick at home.
- Plan a day to have the students perform their very own magic show.
- Following each trick explain the science that allows the magic to happen.

