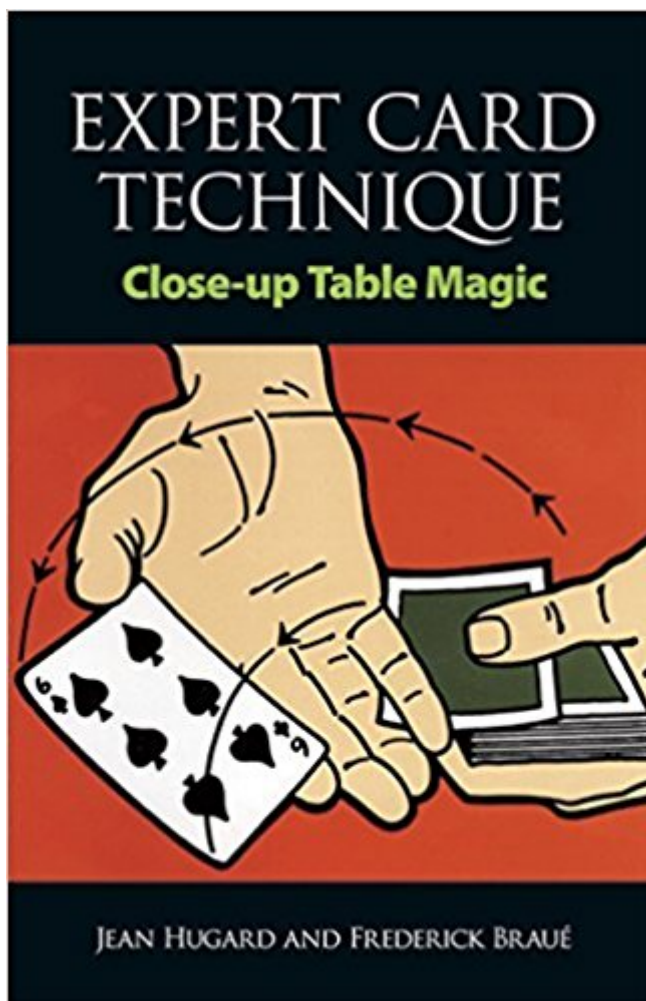




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Customer Reviews

If you are keenly interested in card magic there is every reason to buy this book. It's inexpensive, it's comprehensive, and a terrific resource. I can give it only four stars because I find it terribly hard to learn most of the sleights from the diagrams and descriptions. They're very hard to describe but, when this was written, there was no internet, no DVDs, no way of learning other than one on one or via the printed page. So there are far easier and clearer resources for learning the techniques in this book. Still, it's a classic volume and, particularly if accompanied by a good video reference for the various moves, well worth the money.

This is an excellent text, with extremely detailed instructions. I'm mostly a novice at this stuff, with a mostly academic interest, and not much yet especially dextrous with my hands, but even I found with dedicated reading, notwithstanding the tiny diagrams, the descriptions are so excellent that you can get this stuff working, and working well. As you may have heard: you don't read this book casually: you read in detail, work slowly, and dedicate yourself to practising. Doing so, you can

hardly help but getting somewhere, and potentially somewhere pretty impressive. These are solid techniques, from what my limited experience can tell, some demanding, some less so, and all entirely fascinating. The reason I can't give it five stars: the epub edition I have contains a fair level of typos and wonky paragraphs I just have to assume come from the same problem; I'm guessing they're mis-scans during optical character recognition missed in subsequent correction; obviously I can't tell quite how it happened at my end. In a very few places, it's bad enough you have to add a step to that careful reading: a forensic step of working out what it must have said, supplemented in my case by grepping around the web, looking for people talking elsewhere about the sleights, toward said working out. Which is annoying. It's nice there even is an epub, obviously--I find it very convenient to read on my phone in moments of what would otherwise be downtime--but the errors do get in the way. That said, in fairness, there's only one or two such places it's such a significant problem. Usually, it's just more a stupid optical error, one character in a word you can work out from context, and since it's pretty obvious what was meant, fine, good enough. Still, it'd be nice to see a little more caution in preparing an epub people do pay for.

My son appreciates that he's now learning tricks that aren't readily available on YouTube. Works for me.

gift for my son, he loves it. Wishes there were a few more pictures, but still a great book

Amazing book, just as expected, no flaws for a cheap price. Got it earlier than expected, and I've already learnt a few dozens of card tricks from this and Royal Road to Card Magic, although I got them only five days ago. If I could, I would rate this 6 stars!

Great book, tons of material, starts at the basics then works its way up. If you want to avoid certain types of tricks then go ahead, there's plenty more

Bought for my son.

Goes from 0 to 60 at a very pleasant rate. Not only techniques are presented but suggestions to expand on them and make them your own. This is a book filled with wisdom, not only information. It will take you to the next level at your own pace

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