

CAN'T TOUCH THIS!

Test your sleight of hand with these fun activities!



Activity 1: DO YOU HAVE THE MAGIC TOUCH?

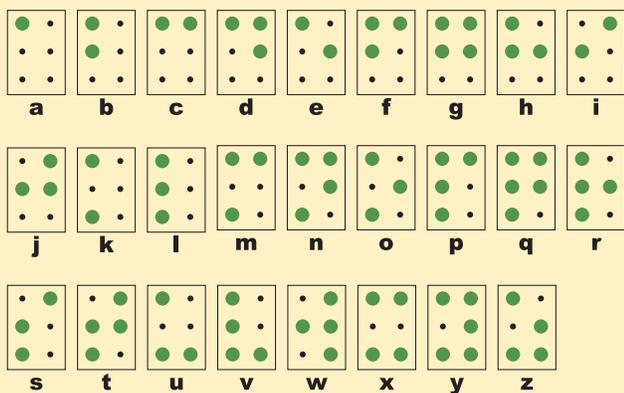
Sandpaper comes in different grades, from superfine to supergritty. Buy a sheet of each kind, and cut it into small squares (mark the grades on the back of each square). Then shuffle up the squares and see if you can sort the different kinds correctly, just by touch!

Activity 2: CONNECT THE DOTS

Draw simple shapes, letters, or numbers on index cards. Glue sandpaper dots along the lines, leaving just a little space in between each dot. Then, test your friends! Ask them to close their eyes (or wear a blindfold) and see if they can figure out what the picture is on each card.

To make this a matching game, make two copies of each card. Then play concentration or Go Fish in the dark!

You can also use sandpaper dots to write messages in the Braille alphabet. Here is a copy of the alphabet to use as a guide:



Activity 3: THE MIDAS TOUCH GAME

Here's how to play:

Go outside where you can run. Pick someone to be Midas. Then **RUN!**

Rule 1: If Midas touches your leg, it turns to gold and you have to walk—slowly. (You can't run with a heavy gold leg, can you?)

Rule 2: If Midas touches your other leg, it also turns to gold and you can't run at all.

Rule 3: Midas can't touch the same person twice in a row.

Rule 4: A player with no gold legs can "heal" someone else's gold leg by touching it.

Rule 5: A player with two gold legs can't be healed.

Game Over: When Midas has turned all the runners' legs to gold, it's time to pick a new King Midas and start again.

Activity 4: FILL IN THE BLANKS

- A: Don't _____ the mummy, or you will turn into one.
- B: Pseudonymous Bosch is a little _____ in the head.
- C: Cass is rather _____ about the size of her ears.
- D: In this book, Cass and Yo-Yoji share a _____ moment.

Answers: A. touch B. touched C. touchy D. touching

