

Practical Magic

On the Front Lines
of Teaching Excellence



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Baby Tests

Mess Test

- Obtain a 55-gallon box of Legos. (If Legos are not available, you may substitute roofing tacks or broken bottles.) Have a friend spread them all over the house. Put on a blindfold. Try to walk to the bathroom or kitchen. Do not scream (this could wake a child at night).

Baby Tests

Feeding Test

- Obtain a large plastic milk jug. Fill halfway with water. Suspend from the ceiling with a stout cord. Start the jug swinging. Try to insert spoonfuls of soggy cereal (such as Fruit Loops or Cheerios) into the mouth of the jug while pretending to be an airplane. Now dump the contents of the jug on the floor.

Baby Tests

Financial Test

- Go to the nearest drug store. Set your wallet on the counter. Ask the clerk to help himself. Now proceed to the nearest food store. Go to the head office and arrange for your paycheck to be directly deposited to the store. Finally, learn to enjoy the clothes in your closet today; you'll likely have the same wardrobe when your children graduate from college.

Baby Tests

Grocery Store Test

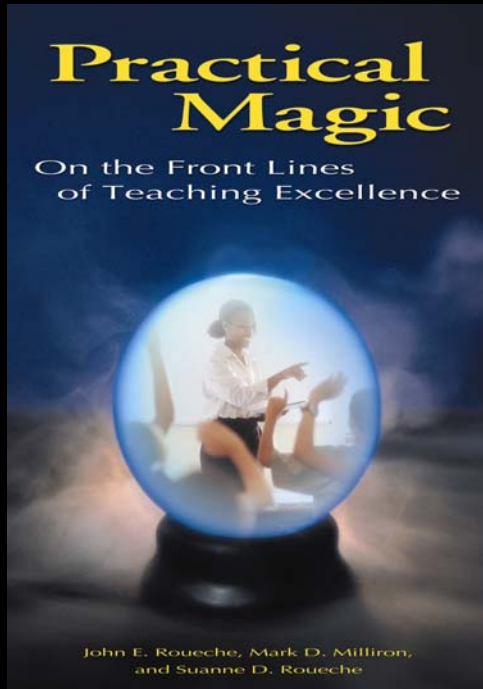
- Borrow one or two small animals (goats are best) and take them with you as you shop at the grocery store. Without using a leash on the animal(s), try to complete your shopping while keeping them in sight and under control. Pay for anything they eat or damage.

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Physical Test (Women)

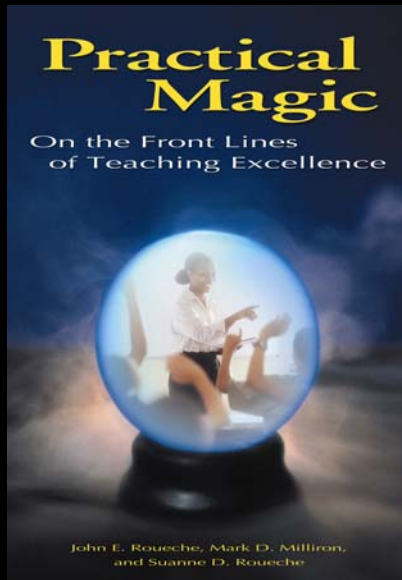
- Obtain a large bean-bag chair and attach it to the front of your clothes. Leave it there for 9 months. Now remove 10% of the beans.

Power of Practical Magic



- Power of Why
- Power of Who
- Power of Belief
- Power of How
- Power of Tools
- Power of And
- Power of Passing It On

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“Get this right. Teaching our students is a noble profession, and we need to pass that feeling on.”

“I AM A TEACHER”

John W. Schlatter