

Houdini - Master of ~~Escape~~ <sup>great work</sup>  
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Houdini was one of the world's greatest magicians. He was born in Appleton, Wisconsin, in 1874. His real name was Erich Weiss. He started to prepare for his daring life when he was very young. He was learning to perform on a trapeze, worked in a locksmith shop and trained his toes to be as nimble as his fingers. Houdini could open any lock and untie any knot.

Houdini got married at the age of nineteen. He married a lovely lady named Beatrice who was eighteen.

Houdini wasn't making much money doing his acts until he escaped from a jail handcuffed. Houdini then traveled all over the world to show them his great escape acts. Houdini

was making over a thousand dollars a week.

Houdini kept on doing his great escape acts and at one of his shows he fell to the ground. He was taken to a hospital. Doctors said he wouldn't live more than twelve hours more, for he had ruptured his appendix.

Seven days had gone by and finally Houdini was dead. Houdini died in 1926 on the thirty first of October which was Halloween. Houdini's library of magic was willed to Library of Congress.

Seventeen years after Houdini's death, His wife Bess died.

## My Opinion

Houdini was a great magician and in my opinion was probably the best. Houdini did many famous tricks in his time, but was a fool to try some of the more dangerous tricks he did. Houdini suffered many injuries, but instead of listening to the doctors when

they told him to rest for months, he would rest for about a week and then continue his daring feats again. I think if Houdini would have listened to the doctors he would have lived a longer life. If I was Houdini I would have listened to the doctors. <sup>Me</sup> too!

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