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Introduction



Can you imagine how much fun it was to write a practical-joke book?

Well, it wasn't! For two months we sat in a tiny box at the side of a motorway surrounded by the bosses of the book company who were wearing grass skirts and holding spears.

Every time we thought we'd finished, they'd just shout out 'Bad Bongos!' and poke us.

In the end, we finally finished it and what lies before you is something that will change your life,* will change the world** and will change your bed sheets.***

**No it won't.*

***It really won't.*

****Possibly?*

The Rules of Practical Joking

Now listen here, fat heads! When doing a practical joke, please be mindful of *where* you do them, to *whom* you do them and *when* you do them.

For example, don't throw a water bomb at your ninety-eight-year-old grandma, especially if she has the squits. And don't do the fake dog-poo thing on your trip to Buckingham Palace . . . You get the idea!

WARNING!

Some of these jokes require using sharp things such as scissors, cooking things in the oven or on the hob, or using superglue. Remember that you must **ALWAYS** get an adult to help you **(NO EXCUSES! DO IT!)** when using scissors or knives, cooking *or* using super-sticky superglue.

You'll know if a practical joke means using any of these things when you see this symbol:



This way you'll be able to pull off amazing practical jokes without getting any burny burns, hurty cuts or accidentally gluing your shoes to your face!

ABOVE ALL . . .

Prat about responsibly! Don't EVER play a practical joke on someone if you think it will upset them. Upsetting people on purpose is never funny and, if you think it is, it ISN'T . . . OK? I mean what kind of monster are you? People like you make us sick! Now go to your bedroom and cry while playing the trombone.

Don't EVER try practical jokes that could hurt anyone!

And remember YOU may well be pranked back. If you are . . . laugh! Laugh hard! In fact, laugh so hard that you fart out of your mouth!



Bouncy Piddle

Help Dave* to have an extremely memorable trip to the bog.**

You need:
Clingfilm
A toilet
Dave



How to do it:
Lift up the toilet seat.

Cover your toilet bowl with cling film and put the seat back down.

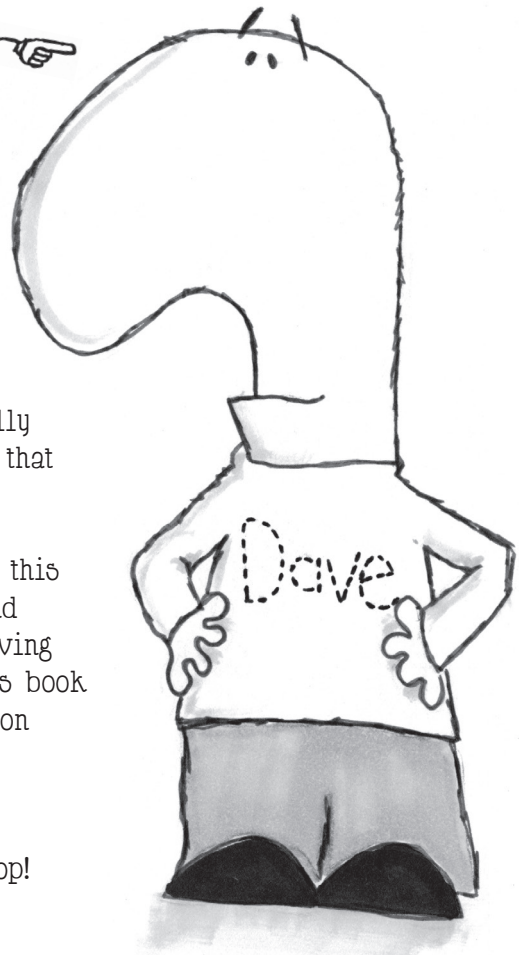
Wait for Dave to go for a wee and wait for the screams as his piddle bounces all over the bathroom!



*We *always* use Dave for our practical jokes. You can use one of your own mates, *or* Dave. If he's not too busy!

This is Dave.

Look at him . . . He's an idiot! Dave is the kind of dribbly twit that falls for *any* practical joke. He's the kind of guy that walks into a wall while looking at the wall and saying, 'Wow, look, a wall . . . I really hope I don't walk into that wall.'



Every practical joke in this book has been tried and tested on Dave,*** proving that the contents of this book are better than pig fat on toast!

**You may a need a mop!

***It hasn't. We made that up, because we're anarchists!

Dead Finger

Make Dave scream as you show him your chopped-off moving finger in a matchbox!

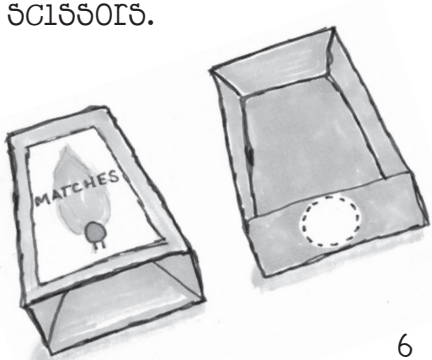
You need:

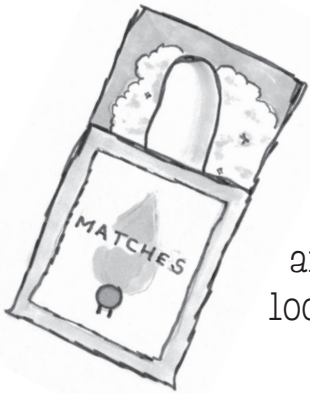
A small empty matchbox
Scissors
Cotton wool
Ketchup (or something red – not actual blood!)
Talcum powder
Dave



How to do it:

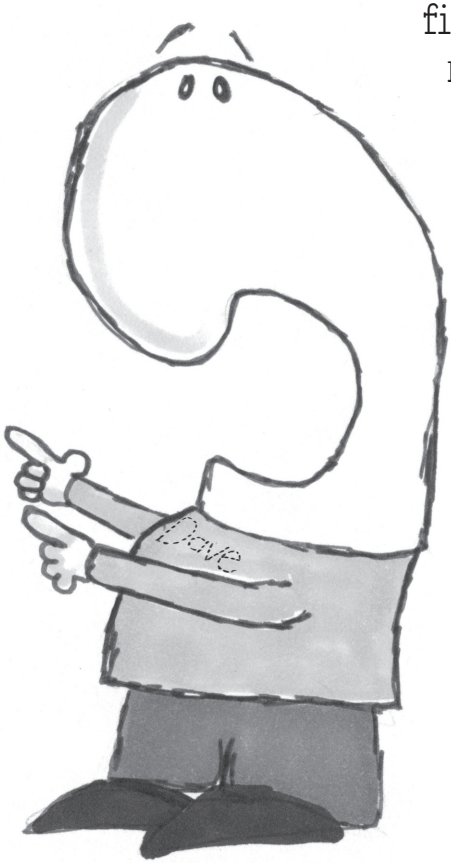
Remove the inside tray of the matchbox and cut a finger-sized hole towards one end using the scissors.





Shove your finger through the hole so it sits inside the tray. Then surround your finger with cotton wool and talcum powder it so it looks dead.

Squeeze a bit of ketchup round the bottom of your finger, then slide the matchbox cover back over the tray. Bosh! You now have a dead finger in a matchbox.



Show Dave your finger by sliding the lid of the matchbox back. When he goes to touch the dead finger, wiggle it and hear Dave scream!

Cash Grab

Confuse someone's brain when they think they've found a fiver but it keeps flying off!

You need:
A fiver
Fishing wire
Sticky tape
Dave

How to do it:
Use sticky tape to stick the end of the fishing wire to the fiver. Put the fiver on the floor, then hide round the corner (but make sure you can still see the money).

When Dave appears and tries to pick up the fiver, tug on the fishing wire to pull it out of his grasp.

Repeat this until he sees you, then shout 'Mandy Dingle!' and leg it.

