

Milo's Hat Trick

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Milo the Magnificent is the world's least magnificent magician. He can't even pull a rabbit out of his hat! When Mr. Popovich gives him one more chance, Milo knows he has no choice: he has to go out and catch a rabbit for his act. Instead, he catches a bear. And the bear promises to help! Will the bear's help secure Milo's job?

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What do magicians need? Milo is told that he must pull a rabbit out of his hat. He needs to find a rabbit...fast! What other items do magicians need in their magic acts? You could write your own list or label the items below.



Decorate – can you decorate your own magicians hat? What would you add to it? You could use the template below and add all sorts of embellishments! Or perhaps you would rather create your own out of cardboard!



Research – Milo does not start the story as a very successful magician but he keeps on trying. You could do some research into simple magic tricks and have a go at mastering one yourself to dazzle friends and family with!



Writing – Once you have mastered a magic trick (just like Milo mastering how to pull a bear out of a hat), write a step-by-step guide of how to perform it successfully.



Writing – Milo and the bear receive rave reviews from critics in the newspapers about their magic show. Can you write your own review of a show you have seen? It could be a show you have seen at the theatre or a show you have watched on TV. Remember, a review should describe the show without giving too much information away. You could express your opinion about what you enjoyed but also what you did not enjoy so much.

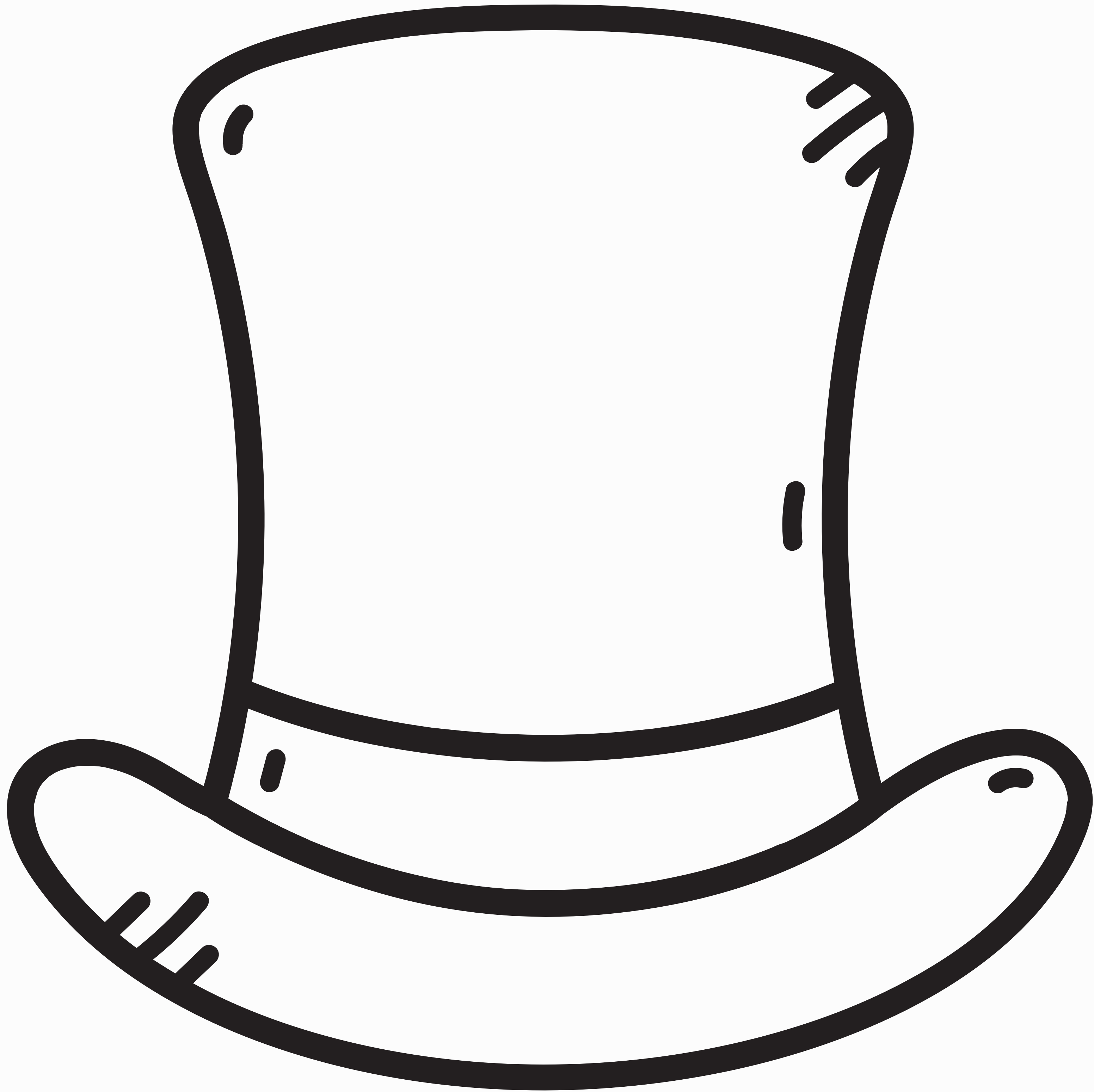


Discussion – At the end of the story, Bear must go to sleep in his cave? Do you know why? This is called hibernation. Which other animals do you know which sleep during the winter months?

Discussion – if you were given the power of magic for one day, what would you do? How would you use the power of magic?



**Use the template below to design
your own magician's hat.**



Label the magical objects

