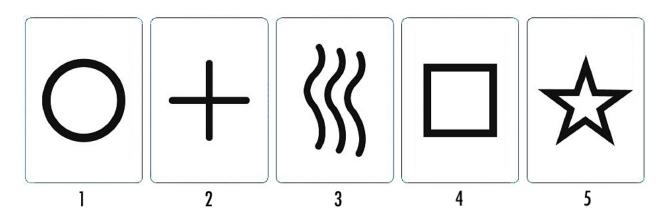
Maiden Back ESP Cards: Reading the Marks

The Maiden Back ESP cards that you receive with this effect are marked! To read the marks, the first step is to translate each ESP symbol into a number, as follows:

CIRCLE - 1 CROSS - 2 WAVY LINES - 3 SQUARE - 4 STAR - 5



These numbers are easy to remember thanks to the number of lines or points in each shape. A circle is made from one continuous line. A cross is made from two lines. There are three wavy lines. A square has four sides. The star has five points.

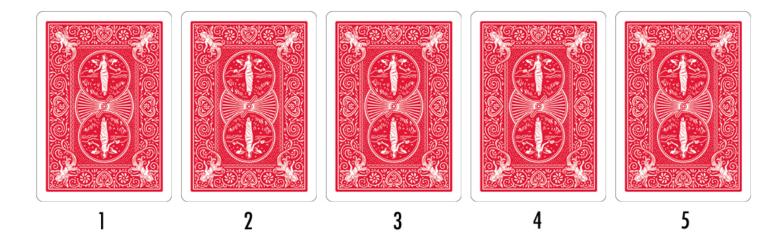
Now we will associate each of these numbers with part of the design of the card.

Near the middle of the top, bottom, left, and right edges of the card back you will see a flower shape, with eight petals around a dot. Each card has specific petals removed from these flowers to create a blank spot. This tells you which card is which.



Whichever petal is missing matches the number that goes with each symbol.

If the petal at the very top of the flower (in the "noon" position) is missing, this indicates a "One", which means you are looking at the Circle card. The remaining numbers move clockwise around the flower. So if the second petal is missing, that is a "Two", which is the Cross card. It proceeds in order until "Five", which has the very bottom petal missing.



You can look at the flower on the top edge or the left edge. It doesn't matter if the card is rightside-up or upside-down, you will always be able to read the marks in those two places.

NOTE: Do not read the marks according to the flower on the bottom edge or right edge, as you will be reading those upside-down!