

## Another “I Can Read Your Mind Trick”

Write the number 2247 on a piece of paper and place it under a book or something. Give out three sheets of paper to three of the audience members. Each sheet has a series of numbers on it as follows:

Sheet A:   **4286    5771    9083    6518    2396    6860    2909    5546    8174**

Sheet B:   **5792    6881    7547    3299    7187    6557    7097    5288    6548**

Sheet C:   **2708    5435    6812    7343    1286    5237    6470    8234    5129**

Next have the three people choose ONE of the numbers, and circle it, from their list and tell you ONE of the digits from THAT CIRCLED number. Cross that digit out after you have picked it and told me. Tell them., “You must notice that the number is picked randomly and I could not have predicted it in advance. However, I was able to read your mind and foretell the future!” Let say the result was as follows:

Person A picked 4286, Person B picked 5792 and person C picked 5435. And then they picked the following digits from their circled number.

A	B	C
8	9	5

Now we will do the same thing three more times, each time picking a digit from the CIRCLED number that has NOT been crossed out. Remember to cross out the digit once you have told it to me. Here is the result to here:

A	B	C
8	9	5
4	5	3
2	2	4
6	7	5

Now, total the four numbers above, and magically, show them the number you wrote down before the trick started. They should both agree and be 2247.

A	B	C
8	9	5
4	5	3
2	2	4
6	7	5
2	2	4
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The reason why this works, is that the digital sums of all the numbers in series A = 20, in series B = 23 and in series C = 17. So the sum of column “C” will be 17, put down the “7” and carry the “1”. The sum of column “B” will be 23 plus the “1” you carried, so that will equal 24. Put down the “4” and carry the “2”. The sum of column “A” will be 20 plus the “2” that you carried, which makes 22. Thus your answer will be 2247 !