

**21 Magic Trick: Changing Arrangements**  
**Number Sense N45**  
**“Magic” Magnetic Wand Activity**

Materials	Set-Up	Activity	Target Skills
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Magnetic Wand</li> <li>• Paperclips or magnetic bingo chips</li> <li>• Paper with paths drawn on</li> <li>• Copy paper box top cut in half</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Place paper with paths drawn on top of box top and tape down to secure</li> <li>• Place the box top on a table with the opening facing the child’s chest</li> <li>• Place paperclips or bingo chips on the paper surface</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• While holding the magnetic wand in his hand, the child reaches into the box opening and moves the paperclip or bingo chip along the paths to the other end</li> <li>• Items can be moved top to bottom, bottom to top, left to right, right to left</li> <li>• Count how many clips/chips on the paper</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eye hand coordination</li> <li>• Visual tracking</li> <li>• Positional concepts-top, bottom, left, right, up, down, under</li> </ul>

Variations:

- Have student on their belly in prone prop position with hand under the box top
- Knee stand at table surface with hand under box top
- Make different paths on the paper for the child to follow-diagonals, zig zag, circle, shapes
- Use different magnetic items to move across the paths
- Tape a clean piece of paper to the box. Place paint on the paper surface and drop paper clips into the paint. Move the clips around the paper by using the magnetic wand under the box top