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Stephen: It's Halloween and we're getting ready for our very own Halloween party. All our friends are coming and everyone will be in fancy dress.

Ashlie: We have to prepare all the traditional Halloween food and drink. We have to decorate the house and get ourselves ready. Right, that's it. Oh, Stephen, it's some trick or treaters. You go. I have to get Poppy ready.

Stephen: Trick or treaters? Great! I can show them some magic.

Ashlie: That will be a treat! Poppy!

Kids: Trick or treat!

Stephen: Aha! Now, for your entertainment – a show of magic!

Kids: Trick or treat?

Stephen: An empty pan. Nothing on the inside, nothing on the outside.

Boy: Look, mister. Give us a treat or we'll play a trick on you.

Stephen: Hocus Pocus!

Girl: That's rubbish!

Stephen: Hang on a minute. Abracadabra! Hey! Ash! It worked. My trick worked.

Ashlie: Yeah, whatever, Stephen.

Stephen: No, seriously, look. Hocus Pocus!

Ashlie: Wow! Very impressive.

Stephen: But it did work.

Ashlie: Yeah, yeah, now come on. Help me with my costume. I need to get my witch's nose on.

Stephen: Really, Ash? I thought you already had it on.

Ashlie: Ha ha.

Ashlie: Nice costume!

Friend: Oh, thanks, it took me ages to make. Yours is great too.

Ashlie: Thank you, but we cheated. We didn't have time to make costumes, so we just hired them.

Friend: They look great anyway. I had to make loads of costumes today. I took my brother and his friends trick or treating and I made loads of ghost costumes.

Ashlie: How did it go?

Friend: Yeah, they got loads of sweets and treats and they didn't have to do any tricks.

Ashlie: Hey listen, talking of tricks, Stephen's magic is pretty bad. He's really sensitive, so you just have to pretend to be amazed. I don't think the show will last long. Ooh, here we go. Remember, look amazed.

Stephen: Now ladies and gentlemen, for my first trick of the evening I require an assistant.

Ashlie: Ooh, I think that may be more trick or treaters. Let's go and see.

Kids: Trick or treat!

Ashlie: Don't you look scary! What have you come as?

Kids: I'm a scary pumpkin. And I'm a skeleton.

Ashlie: You're a skeleton? You're very scary.

Stephen: Now, an ordinary handkerchief, a simple wave...

Ashlie: Go on then, you can have a treat, help yourselves. Go on, tuck in guys.

Stephen: A wave of my magic hand...

Kid: Your dog's really sweet.

Ashlie: Thank you, do you want to give her a little stroke? Her name's Poppy. She loves dressing up for Halloween as well.

Stephen: And Abracadabra! A treat for you all. I hope you enjoyed my show!

Kids: Thank you! Happy Halloween!

Stephen: Ashlie, I did it. It was amazing! Everything worked! Did you see it?

Ashlie: Yeah. Well done you. It was brilliant.

Stephen: I told you I could do it. I could make a career out of this! I want the fire of death trick next. It's really cool.

Ashlie: Err, maybe a little practice first, eh? Here, let's take the plates into the kitchen.