

MISSING LINKS

You turn to another page in Nicolas' journal and begin to read.

Every magician needs a good pseudonym. After coming up with several tricks of my own, I thought taking the name of an inventor I admired would be fitting. Here's a trick I designed to honor him that is based on the famous linking rings act. The gimmick this time is that instead of metal I've linked words into four rings, and even managed to entwine those.

Each highlighted link is the start and end of a word.

1 **ING**

2 **I** **A**

3 **K** **L** **C** **E** **R**

4 **S** **I** **A** **O** **J**

5 **R** **L** **A** **A** **A**

6 **E** **L** **E** **N**

7 **T** **E** **O** **S** **N** **S**

8 **N** **C** **H** **Y**

9 **E** **T** **S** **N**

10 **G** **A** **E** **C**

11 **DOL** **ONA**

12 **I** **L** **G** **M**

13 **M** **I** **A** **E**

14 **A** **Z** **W** **S**

15 **R** **A** **A** **A**

16 **Y** **R** **W** **D**

17 **P** **D** **N**

18 **I** **O** **H** **E**

19 **S** **Z** **T** **S**

20 **S** **I** **I** **S**

21 **OGN** **WOL**

DEFINITIONS:

- Base eight **OCTAL**
- Comes into a room **ENTERS**
- Famous astronomer **GALILEO**
- Main building at a camp **LODGE**
- Mountain sport with poles **SKIING**
- Footwear fastener **SHOELACE**
- In **SYNC** (simultaneous)
- Leave **EXIT**
- Slender open boats **CANOE**
- Warriors who accepted a gift horse **TROJANS**
- Barbie or Raggedy Ann **DOLL**
- Famous Giza structure **Pyramid**
- Sleeping lightly **DOZING**
- Small reptile **LIZARD**
- Spread rumors **GOSSIP**
- Appellations **NAMES**
- Feeling of grief **SADNESS**
- Radio Flyer, for example **WAGON**
- Sluggish **SLOW**
- Take money from an account **WITHDRAW**

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After filling the words and extracting the letters, you get JOIN RINGS INTERSECTIONS. The intersections are LEO, ONA, ARD, and DOL. Joining those last rings in the same ways as the words in the puzzle (one letter overlap) gives LEONARDO.

JOIN RINGS
4.4 18.2 1.5 1.2 5.1 4.2 9.4 12.3 19.1

INTERSECTIONS
13.2 17.3 7.1 10.3 15.1 19.4 13.4 3.3 9.2 20.3 21.5 21.3 20.1