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Thread: [You can pick your friends, you can pick your nose, but can you pick a lock?](#)

webdev77 - May 12, 2024, 1:08 pm

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L?G?ND - May 12, 2024, 1:10 pm

I think it's a pretty cool concept. I'm not very good at it though, but acquiring the tools made it a lot easier. When I misplaced my key inside of my toolbox, I had to spend a few hours picking the lock. Eventually I was successful.

Exile - May 12, 2024, 1:19 pm

I never got into it, but I think it has applications to hacking that a lot of people don't think about. So many aspects of pen testing can revolve around physical access to devices. I've even seen a documentary where someone picked the lock on his target's office and went rummaging through the trash for cell phone numbers/bank statements/bills/etc.

Prawnster - May 12, 2024, 1:21 pm

I got pretty good at it when I was younger but not done it years now haha.

TooBurnt - May 12, 2024, 1:22 pm

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Jamika - May 12, 2024, 1:42 pm

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Absence - May 12, 2024, 1:50 pm

(May 12, 2024 01:42 PM)Jamika Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Isn't that illegal? I mean that's what they learn to attack houses? Or am I wrong?

Most places picks are legal unless you can show intent, like you were just in the act or post-act.

Being a locksmith with tools to break/pick/open locks is not illegal. Not being a locksmith can result in charges like "criminal tools" or "intent to commit robbery", along those lines, if there is enough to assume what you were up to, not just driving down the road.

Some places also restrict the sale unless certified. Also some of them want detailed information about sales (bought/sale either).

Beaks - May 12, 2024, 2:11 pm

I have been messing around with tubular locks lately for fun. Not really anything I will ever use, just for fun.

V?rt - May 12, 2024, 2:13 pm

I love watching the lock-picking lawyer! I really want to buy a nice lockpick set and start learning.

Euaggelistes - May 12, 2024, 2:49 pm

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Wizdominance - May 12, 2024, 2:53 pm

I tried picking simple locks using a card for two-way doors which took me seconds and also successfully picked a lock with a paper clip and a screw driver which took me hours to successfully done but only for experimental purposes back then.

The only way I know how to pick a lock successfully with door knobs is to smash the door knob itself. Lol. But I wouldn't call that pick locking. Hahaha.

Would love to learn more from you guys if somebody posts in this thread.

webdev77 - May 12, 2024, 3:23 pm

(May 12, 2024 01:42 PM)Jamika Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Isn't that illegal? I mean that's what they learn to attack houses? Or am I wrong?

Lock picking in general as a hobby is not illegal. You can pick your own locks all you want. Picking a lock that isn't yours very likely would be considered breaking and entering or similar. Thieves also generally don't pick locks. They can just kick your door in or break a window. It's a common misconception that having a hard to pick lock actually provides more security. Most the time physically destructive techniques can be used for forced entry. It would be highly unusual for a criminal to get caught picking a lock as most common criminals really aren't skilled individuals.

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Nice work. That's one of the wonders of the internet of being able to learn how to do random things like this.

Chung - May 12, 2024, 3:38 pm

Years ago when we had little personal cabinets to store your desk equipment in like pens, paper etc. I was messing around with a paper clip trying to pop my friend's cabinet cause it was locked. Popped open. I was soooooo buzzing.

That was it though!

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L?G?ND - May 12, 2024, 4:04 pm

(May 12, 2024 03:50 PM)Cockaine Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Any sites to check out or sets I should be interested in particular?

I personally can't speak on any recommendations or quality of tools. I did use my friend's set and it did the job. I believe it was the Tuxedo Set by Sparrows.

Additionally, I'm not sure if you have to be registered or licensed to legal own these sets. So that's always something to consider. Obviously, it depends on the country or state you live in. Perhaps, you may not even care.

Kify - May 12, 2024, 5:22 pm

I watch LPL and McNally all the time, never tried to do it myself as far as I can remember but I bet it's a huge dopamine rush as a beginner haha. Always wanted to buy a beginner's set with a transparent lock just to fuck around with but never got around to buy it, I know it takes a couple of clicks but my procrastination is too bad

Perfect - May 12, 2024, 6:46 pm

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Post military or pre ? Cause I can't recall how many unsecured SA tokens I could just yoink cause the army gives them to literal muscle heads with not a thought behind to civilian. Lmao.

Lawdy it's a mess !

\$!uo2H%gE# - May 13, 2024, 4:13 am

I am not into lockpicking anymore but I can open lock with 2 spools.

<https://www.youtube.com/@bosnianbill> is good to watch also.

Charlie Sheen - May 13, 2024, 6:52 am

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I've played with a few locks with permission of course :)

Flipper dev boards are quite a thing. :)

webdev77 - May 13, 2024, 12:43 pm

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A simple hook for single pin picking is most versatile, but rakes will certainly get you into the masterlocks of the world and pretty much anything else without pick resistant features.

gitcommit - April 20, 2026, 9:16 pm

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I know im late but I just recently got myself a pair of lock picks and I wanted to know if you have any tips for new beginners?

I had an ali express lock pick set that I got for 1\$ and I just got a high quality lockpick set from Sparrows Lockpicks