

**Jim Kleefeld's**  
**The Magic of Ohio**  
Educational School Assembly Program

## Teachers' Guide

### **Program Overview:**

Jim presents a program of ten magical routines that employ facts and characters from Ohio's history. In the routines, students are asked to help participate in magical events. Each routine is outlined below with a **Title**, a *student outcome* and a synopsis. You may want to acquaint the students with some of the names and concepts before the program or refer to this Guide for follow-up lessons.

**Routine One: Symbolic Change** *Students are introduced to common state symbols.*  
A picture of a cardinal changes to a carnation, then to a ladybug, then to tomato juice, and finally to a bouquet of carnations.

**Routine Two: Yours/Mine** *Students will recognize a map of Ohio.*  
The students and the magician have a contest to see who can magically color the best Ohio picture.

**Routine Three: Color "O's"** *Students will recognize native Ohio wildlife.*  
Initial letter Os change color to match local birds, then transform into a giant initial O.

**Routine Four: Presidential Firsts** *Students are introduced to U.S. Presidents from Ohio.*  
While eight Presidents and facts about their tenure are on display, one student will magically discern a famous Presidential first event.

**Routine Five: Chapman Plants** *Students will discover lore about Johnny Appleseed.*  
The magician will use a graphic organizer to explain facts about Johnny Appleseed gleaned from the biography *Who Was John Chapman?*

**Routine Six: Traffic Sleight** *Students will recognize an Ohio inventor and invention.*  
The traffic signal, a Garrett Morgan invention will be displayed and discussed before magically disappearing.

**Routine Seven: Elektrik Bulbs** *Students will recognize an Ohio inventor.*  
Ohio-born inventor Thomas Edison and the electric light bulb become the focus as lights magically turn on without electricity.

**Routine Eight: No Bounce** *Students will learn about vulcanization of rubber.*  
The "bounce" is removed from a bouncing rubber ball as it is sent "back in time" before the discovery of vulcanization made Ohio the world's rubber capital.

**Routine Nine: Making a Flag** *Students will recognize Ohio's state flag.*  
Two students will magically create an Ohio flag out of red, white and blue material, then magically cause it to grow ten times larger.

**Routine Ten: The Best Invention** *Students will learn facts about Ohio discoveries.*  
A giant book of Ohio inventors and their discoveries is displayed and turns into a three-dimensional Wright Flyer.