LOCK PICKING
Quick Start eGuide with Videos
3 Easy Steps to POP Your First Lock
LOCK COWBOY
This Beginners Quick Start Guide is meant to help you: “Pop Your First Lock”

This is a complete step by step guide that will help you open the clear practice padlock, and get you started in the challenging and fun world of lock picking. This information is intended for those who consider locks as complex, mechanical puzzles, and wish to learn how to pick locks that belong to them as a recreational practice. This is also known as Locksport.

**Important Notice:**

Steel tools and especially lock picks are INTENTIONALLY sold with a coating of oil. It keeps them from rusting while they're sitting in storage. Keep your set nice and oiled!

**Disclaimer:**

All material provided is for informational purposes only. Lock picking is the practice of bypassing a locking mechanism or system. By law, you can only pick locks that belong to you, or where you have explicit permission from the owner. Each country/state has different laws on lock picking tools. Know your country/state law and the law of your destination if traveling with these tools. We highly recommend against picking locks you rely on, such as your door or car.

Are you ready to become a Lock Cowboy? >>>
Lock Pick Names:

SNOWMAN
SLIM-LINE RAKE
SLIM-LINE RAKE
S RAKE
W RAKE
CITY RAKE
HOOK
HOOK
SMALL DIAMOND
LARGE DIAMOND
HOOK
EXTRACTOR
3 Simple Steps to Pop the Practice Padlock:
METHOD 1: Raking

The goal is to press down the pins with your pick and line them up as shown in the picture so the lock opens. This mimics what the key would do.

You will learn by trial and error. Stick with it!

Tools needed:

- Tension Wrench
  (Choose the one that feels best to you)

- City Rake
VIDEO ILLUSTRATION
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Step 1:

☑️ Hold the lock in your hand and insert a tension wrench as shown (on the large end of the key hole)

☑️ Holding the lock in this position allows you to apply and reduce pressure on the tension wrench with your finger.

☑️ Keep in mind that there is no one “correct” way to hold the lock. Simply choose what feels more natural to you.
Step 2:

☑️ Use a City Rake Pick and insert it below the tension wrench in the small end of the key hole (you will discover your favorite tool as you improve)

☑️ Slowly “Rake” over the pins and lightly push down on them. At the same time gently apply pressure with your finger on the tension wrench. You will start to feel the pins set!

Step 3:

☑️ While keeping pressure on the tension wrench, inspect where the pins are once you have felt some of them click.

☑️ In this picture a pin is set too far in. You will need to let the pressure off the tension wrench to re-set the pins and start over.
Well done!

- Once you get the pins lined up correct you will be able to feel the tension wrench move, then POP!

- When you reference what you are seeing and the feel of the tension wrench & city rake pick, you will quickly learn the technique.

- Congrats!! You just popped your first lock.
Method 2: Single Pin Picking

Try actual “Picking”. Set the pins individually, one at a time, and don’t use the “Raking” motion.

Tools needed:

- Tension Wrench
  (Choose the one that feels best to you)

- Hook Pick

The only different step from the “Raking” Method is step 2. Check out the video illustration to learn how “Single-pin picking” works!

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