## URI GELLER

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Uri Geller was born in Tel Aviv to Hungarian Jewish parents on 20 December 1946. He is well-known for his television appearances of pointless spoon bending claiming this to be the work of psychokinesis and telepathy and being guided by extraterrestrials.

Psychokinesis is not in every modern dictionary but it means the movement of the mind, soul, heart or breath. Telepathy means the communication between minds without normal means such as speech, writing or touch.

Geller called himself a psychic but now refers to himself as a mystifier and entertainer.

His spoon bending has been proved to be a magic trick and it has been revealed on television. It is done either with two spoons one of which has a small spring in it which is covered by the hand. The other way was by having a corrosive chemical on the spoon or on the magicians hand which causes it to bend. When it goes back to its normal shape it is another spoon which has been concealed by the magician until now. I have seen humble magicians perform this.

It is a trick, an illusion and nothing to do with alleged psychic powers or extraterrestrials.

It is also alleged that famous people and others have had spoons bent in their own homes while Geller was performing this trick on television. Many of these people have now owned up to telling lies and merely trying to gain attention. Others were supporters of Geller himself.

Geller said he could bend any objects including keys.

Noble prize winner Richard Feynham invited Geller to bend his keys and those of his son. Geller could not do it.

Geller writes that he was in a helicopter in 1996 hovering above a Scotland and England football match. Gary McAllister was about to take a penalty but Geller, with his powers, moved the ball from the penalty spot and so McAllister failed to score. What utter rubbish! Look at the video for yourself!

He said that placing energy crystals behind the goals in a football match in Exeter would guarantee that Exeter City would win the match. And so the crystals were so placed. Exeter were going to win. They lost 5-1.

In 1992, he was asked to investigate the disappearance of the Hungarian model, Helga Farkas. He predicted emphatically that she was alive and would be found in good health.

She was found murdered by her kidnappers!

Geller is also guilty of deception in that he tells members of his audience the licence numbers of their cars. "How does he know that?" say an amazed audience. It has been proved that his manager had already given Geller the details beforehand.

This is deception.

With all this evidence we conclude that Geller is a fraud and yet he has earned a lot of money by his dishonesty as has the <u>Betty Shines</u> and <u>David Ickes</u> of this world.

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