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**THE HARVARD-YALE FOOTBALL GAME (1982)**

Three hacks, one game. With eight minutes remaining in the second quarter, hackers inflated a six-foot weather balloon near the 50-yard line that spelled "MIT" before it burst into a cloud of talcum powder. At halftime, hackers disguised as the Yale Marching Band laid on the field to spell "M-I-T" with their prone bodies. Later, they tricked 1,000-plus Harvard fans into spelling "M-I-T" with cards in the stands.

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**THE CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY OF THE ALL-NIGHT TOOL (1992)**

In MIT-speak, "tool" can refer to one who studies hard. Hackers transformed Lobby 7 into a tool-dedicated cathedral, complete with stained-glass windows, pews, an altar, an organ, a confessional, and holy relics. An anonymous "Father Tool" provided commandments, including "Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's HP." Shortly after midnight on Halloween, a Wiccan wedding was held between two MIT alumni.

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**MEASURING A SMOOT (1958)**

After a Lambda Chi Alpha headmaster grew tired of the boring half-mile walk across the Harvard Bridge, he invited seven students to calibrate the bridge using 5'7 freshman Ollie Smoot. The Bridge's length: 364.4 Smoots, give or take an ear. Today, Smoots are marked permanently on the bridge and the measurement is recognized in the American Heritage Dictionary.

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**CAMPUS POLICE CAR ON THE GREAT DOME (1994)**

On the final day of spring classes, an MIT Campus Police Cruiser—complete with flashing lights—appeared on the top of the Great Dome. The car, which was actually the painted frame of a Chevrolet Cavalier, was equipped with a dummy police officer, a box of donuts, a campus parking ticket, and the license plate number "IHTFP." The hack, which only lasted a few hours, was covered by the Associated Press and received national and global television coverage.

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**DIPSY DUCK (1948)**

During an MIT Open House, the infamous 1940s hack squad VooDoo unveiled the Dipsy Duck, a 12' long supposed generator that could be placed near rivers to produce exactly 3.14159 (π) volts. The hackers also claimed the duck-looking device could be powered by beer. In reality, it was powered by an electric motor.

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**JOHN HARVARD'S PORTA-POTTY SERVICE (1960)**

Tourists visiting the John Harvard statue in Harvard Yard may have been surprised to see the statue seemingly double as a public restroom. A toilet stall door was positioned at the statue's base with an advertisement reading, "Johnny-on-the-Spot, Portable Toilets, Rented/Serviceed, Boston, Mass. Capital 7-0777"

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**TETRIS ON THE GREEN BUILDING (2012)**

"The Holy Grail of Hacks." During Campus Preview Weekend, Bldg. 54 was transformed into a giant video game canvas, with students and alumni battling each other in a multicolor game of Tetris. Players controlled the blocks from a console in front of the building. Each game began with the word "TETRIS" scrolling across the building and, upon defeat, the blocks crashed to the bottom.

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**KIDNAPPING HARVARD GUESTS (1940S)**

In the early 1940s, Harvard celebrity guests were the subject of periodic "kidnappings." In 1940, MIT students intercepted actor Eddie Anderson at a Providence airport and brought him to a fraternity party. In 1941, an MITer posing as a Harvard student picked up burlesque queen Sally Rand and transported her to a reception, where she was granted the title "Associate Professor of Entertainment Engineering."

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**COW ON DORM (1928)**

Students somehow transported a live cow to the roof of the six-story Class of 1893 Dormitory (now East Campus dorm). A May 1928 Boston Herald article reported that the cow went up to the roof easily but a "small army" was needed to bring her down, where the hackers were met by hundreds of cheering onlookers.