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A & A Locks and Gates now offer 10% off on every lock job in the New York area.

If you are locked out of your house in the middle of the night lost the key to the padlock on the shed or lost the only key to your bike lock? We can get it open in no time at all and now with 10% off any lockpicking job all around New York.

NEW YORK, NY, September 23, 2008 **/24-7PressRelease/** -- Most people carry five to 10 keys with them whenever they go out. On your key ring you might have several keys for the house, one or two more for the car and a few for the office or a friend's house. Your key ring is a clear demonstration of just how ubiquitous lock technology is: You probably interact with locks dozens of times every week.

The main reason we use locks everywhere is that they provide us with a sense of security. But in movies and on television, spies, detectives and burglars can open a lock very easily, sometimes using only a couple of paper clips. This is a sobering thought, to say the least: Is it really possible for someone to open a lock so easily?

Lock picking is the act of unlocking a lock by analyzing and manipulating the components of the lock device, without the original key. Although lock picking can be associated with criminal intent, it is an essential skill for a locksmith. Lock picking is the ideal way of opening a lock without the correct key, while not damaging the lock, allowing it to be rekeyed for later use, which is especially important with antique locks that would be impossible to replace if destructive entry methods are used.

To really understand lock-picking, then, you first have to know how locks and keys work.→ Locks come in all shapes and sizes, with many innovative design variations. You can get a clear idea of the process of lock picking by examining one simple, representative lock. Most locks are based on fairly similar concepts. Scraping the side wall of the lock is your number one priority. When scraping the side wall of the lock you ensure that you click or unlock the pins in the lock. The pin and-tumbler lock consists of a cylinder that can rotate within its housing (see illustrations below). When locked, the cylinder is kept in place by several pairs of pins. The top pin of each pair protrudes into both the cylinder and the housing, thus preventing the cylinder from turning. When the correct key is inserted, it pushes the pairs of pins up so that the top pins no longer enter the cylinder. When this happens, the cylinder can be turned and the lock will open.

The tools for lock picking are usually different for each type of lock and can sometimes be improvised from common items. Lock pick kits can be purchased openly via the Internet. Many different selections are present. Nine-piece sets and a 32-piece set equipped with a Pick Gun for example differ in value and price greatly. However, many lock pickers state that for most locking devices, a basic set of five picks is enough; therefore it is unnecessary to carry around a wide variety of professional lock picks. More over many lockpicking hobbyists make good quality sets of their own.

Lockpicking can seem simpler then it really is, before you start fiddling with the lock you should know that If a pin won't budge when you try to push it up, you probably are applying too much torque so that the cylinder is too greatly misaligned with the hole in the housing. If this is the case, you'll need to release some of the torque. Doing so may cause pins to fall that are already set. Unfortunately, there's no way around that. Try changing the order of your picking on your next attempt. When done properly, lock picking does not harm the lock, but if you apply too much torque to the cylinder or too much pressure to the pins, there is always the risk of damaging the mechanism.

Knowing all this gives you enough background to make your choice; you can tackle the problem yourself or simply call a us and let A & A Locks and Gates do all the work for you, fast, professional and with honest pricing

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