THIS IS THE FIFTH OF THE NINJA009 SERIES. I HOPE YOU'VE ENJOYED THE FIRST FOUR BULLETINS AND I'M SURE YOU'LL ENJOY THIS ONE AS WELL...

WARNING

THERE IS A HEAVILY ENFORCED LAW ON BREAKING AND ENTRY. IF YOU GET CAUGHT FOR B&E, AND YOU ARE OVER 18, YOU WILL DEFINITELY GO TO * JAIL *... IF YOU ARE UNDER AGED...STILL DON'T DO IT, SOME TIMES THE STUFF YOU DO STAYS ON YOUR FUTURE RECORDS.

BACKGROUND:

NINJA'S WERE ABLE TO WALK THRU WALLS, ENTER AND LEAVE A ROOM WITHOUT A TRACE. THIS WAS ONE OF THE STEALTH SKILLS, THAT THE NINJA'S POSSESSED. THERE WERE RUMORS THAT NINJAS CAN VANISH INTO A WALL...WELL...THAT'S A LITTLE HOAX. YES WE ARE ABLE TO ENTER AND EXIT A ROOM WITHOUT A LARGE TRACE...IF YOU KNOW HOW JAPANESE HOUSES IN THE ANCIENT TIMES WERE BUILT, YOU CAN LOOK AT THE SUPPORT POSTS, THEY USUALLY HAVE GRAPPLING HOOK MARKS IF A NINJA HAD WALKED THRU THE ROOM TO KILL A PERSON OR SOMETHING. BUT ONE HAS TO LOOK VERY, VERY CAREFULLY.

HOW TO DO ITS:

WELL...I WON'T GET INTO ANY PHILOSOPHICAL BULLSHIT OR THE ANCIENT STUFF. I'LL GIVE YOU INFO ON THE STUFF YOU CAN PUT TO MODERN USE.

HOW TO PICK FILE CABINET LOCKS:

IT'S QUITE SIMPLE TO PICK OPEN A FILE CABINET. MOST FILE CABINETS NOWADAYS HAVE A CHEAP DISK TUMBLING SYSTEM. IF THE DISK PATTERNS MATCH THE KEY SHAPE, PRESTO! IT'S OPEN.

LET ME BRIEFLY EXPLAIN WHAT DISK TUMBLERS ARE...

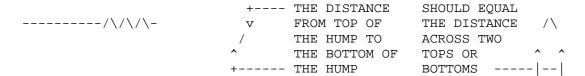
DISKS. (SORRY FOR THE BAD ILLUSTRATIONS.)

IF THE KEY INSERTED THRU THE 5 DISKS, AND THE PATTERN OF THE DISKS

MATCH, IT OPENS.

SO TO MAKE A KEY THAT WORKS WITH MOST (ALL) CABINET LOCKS...

GET A WIRE FAIRLY THICK, JUST THIS ENOUGH TO FIT THRU THE LOCKS. BEND IT IN THE FOLLOWING FASHION.

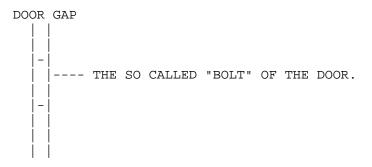


WHEN YOU MAKE YOUR KEY, JUST INSERT IT ALL THE WAY IN. JERK IT UP AND DOWN AS FAST AS YOU CAN, AS YOU TURN THE KEY TO THE LEFT OR RIGHT, DEPENDING ON HOW THE LOCK OPENS. IF YOU GET THE HANG OF IT, YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO OPEN ANY FILE CABINET LOCK IN A MATTER OF SECONDS. I USUALLY TAKE ABOUT 3 TO 5 SECONDS WITH MY KEY.

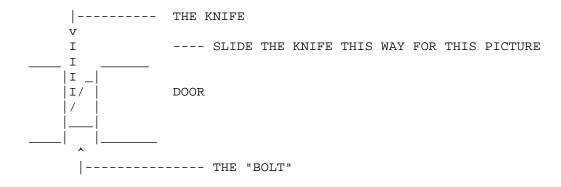
OPENING LOCKED DOORS:

I CAN WRITE A WHOLE BOOK IN TEACHING HOW TO OPEN LOCKED DOORS. I'LL TELL YOU THE MOST BASIC WAY OF DOING IT. THIS TECHNIQUE HAS TO BE A DOOR WITH A GAP AS WIDE AS A WIDTH OF A BUTTER KNIFE.

IF YOU HAVE A BUTTER KNIFE OR A BUTTER FLY KNIFE OR EQUIVALENT, HANDY, YOU CAN OPEN THESE KINDA DOORS AS THOUGH YOU HAVE THE KEY TO THEM.



BIRD'S EYE AND ENLARGED VIEW OF THIS



IF THE ROUND PART OF THE "BOLT" FACES YOU THEN WITH THE KNIFE, PUSH ON THE BOLT WITH THE BACK OF THE BLADE. AS YOU PUSH, SLIDE THE KNIFE TOWARDS THE SIDE OF THE DOOR. (SEE ILLUSTATION FOR CLARITY). YOU WILL SLOWLY MOVE IT. AND PRESTO! THE DOOR IS OPEN. THE TRICK IS TO SLIDE THE KNIFE AND PUSHING IT AT THE SAME TIME, AND HOLD ON TO THE DOOR KNOB. IF IT OPENS INWARDS, GET READY TO PUSH IT AS SOON AS THE KNIFE IS THRU THE "BOLT".

FOR THE OTHER CASE (THE ROUND PART OF THE "BOLT" FACING AWAY FROM YOU), YOU JUST PULL ON THE KNIFE AND GIVE THE SAME SLIDING MOTION. BE CAREFUL NOT TO STAB YOURSELF. THE KNIFE'S CONTACT POINT IS ALWAYS THE BACK OF THE KNIFE.

SINCE I HAVE A LIMIT TO THE LENGTH OF MY FILES, I WILL PUT PART 2 OF THIS ON THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE NINJA 009 SERIES.

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