"Change"

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By far, it was not the most difficult spell he'd performed, but transmogrification was always a tricky feat. Changing one thing into another entire required the utmost concentration. Mason found himself holding his breath as he focused his power on the ordinary piece of sandstone in his palm.

He exhaled slowly, breathing out power from within. It brushed across the rough surface of the stone, knocking away small flecks of sand. Another exhale and the sand began to steadily blow away from the stone, revealing a smooth, round surface beneath it. It rose into the air, hovering just above his hand, where more pieces began to crumble and flake away.

Mason didn't stop there. He continued to alter the sandstone, turning it over and over with the sheer power of his mind. Within minutes, it was no longer recognizable as the rough, callous rock it had been before. Smooth, translucent glass was the end result. He plucked it from the air and turned it in his hand.

His efforts had produced a near-perfect imitation of a crystal. He scrutinized it with a careful eye, then closed his fingers around it. It shattered in his grip and when he opened his fist, all that remained were granules of sand that sifted through his fingers and onto the floor.