

HOUDINI

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She's Houdini of hounds
getting in and out of tight spaces.
Her pièce de résistance?
The burying-in-the-blanket trick
performed while we're asleep.
The props?
A wicker basket with ground sheet
and blanket.
The technique?
A mystery BUT
she wraps herself inside that blanket —
a hot dog —
against the cold.
In the morning we go out, eyes
wide with amazement.
At the sound of biscuits sprinkled
in the bowl
she extricates herself
from her woollen prison
faster than Houdini
from his padlock and chains.

