

The ***Fall Equinox* Reading** is usually done in **Sept/Oct** for the **Integration & Stabilization** of the current year. Fall gives you the opportunity to reflect on what needs to be assessed and/or released in order to prepare you for the next and final Sacred Season, when we surrender the year entirely. The energy supports restoring balance wherever you've gotten off-track in any way. Use this time to assess the **last 6-9 months**, correct any imbalances & release the non-essential so you can close the year strong!

You can choose what you most want to ***Integrate*** from the seeds you planted at **Spring**. Remember, you chose one goal/focus for this year and now you can deepen your dedication to, for example, your bodywork, sacred space, relationships etc. Fall is preparation for Winter's slower pace. Just as we awaken in **Spring** and prepare to increase the Light and the pace of Life, now we prepare to slow down, reflect, conceive or renew our vision for the incoming year.

- 1 ~ INTEGRATION / Choose Goal or Focus
- What do I need to consider at this Annual MidPoint, as I assess my year thus far?
- 2 ~ GAUGE IMBALANCE / Too Much Too Little
- What is the most glaring or obvious Excess or Insufficiency, at this time?
- 3 ~ COMMIT / Accept then Take the Next Step
- Now that I'm clear on any imbalances/distractions, what Supports me as I Re-Commit?
- 4 ~ HONOR YOUR NATURE / Masculine & Feminine
- How can I Honor my true nature, while fortifying my less dominant nature?
- 5 ~ NAVIGATING MULTI-DIMENSIONS/Easier Transitions
- What do I need to have/know/understand that will Facilitate easier transitions?
- 6 ~ PRACTICE & PERFECT A RHYTHM / Stabilization
- What is strong within me, that I simply need to Reactivate & Practice at this time?
- 7 ~ BE NATURAL / Anchor & Own It
- What have I completely Mastered, that can totally support me for the next 3-mo?
- 8 ~ OUTCOME / Overview Closing the Year Strong
- What will ultimately Support me within and Protect me without?

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- **BONUS:** ABOVE :: Outer/External/Worldly/Others/Public
 - **BELOW ::** Inner/Internal/Personal/Self/Private

1 :: INTEGRATION ... *Choose Goal or Focus* ~ What do I need to consider, at this annual MidPoint, as I assess my year thus far?



VII :: The Chariot :: AWARENESS

The veil of illusion, or maya, that has been keeping you from perceiving reality as it is, is starting to burn away. The fire is not the heated fire of passion, but the cool flame of awareness. As it burns the veil, the face of a very delicate and childlike buddha becomes visible. The awareness that is growing in you now is not the result of any conscious "doing", nor do you need to struggle to make something happen. Any sense you might have had that you've been groping in the dark is dissolving now, or will be dissolving soon. Let yourself settle, and remember that deep inside you are just a witness, eternally silent, aware and unchanged. A channel is now opening from the circumference of activity to that center of witnessing. It will help you to become detached, and a new awareness will lift the veil from your eyes.

2 :: GAUGE IMBALANCE ... *Too Much - Too Little* ~ What is the most glaring or obvious excess or insufficiency, at this time?

Page of FIRE :: PLAYFULNESS

Life is rarely as serious as we believe it to be, and when we recognize this fact, it responds by giving us more and more opportunities to play. The woman in this card is celebrating the joy of being alive, like a butterfly that has emerged from its chrysalis into the promise of the light. She reminds us of the time when we were children, discovering seashells on the beach or building castles in the sand without any concern that the waves might come and wash them away in the next moment. She knows that life is a game, and she's playing the part of a clown right now with no sense of embarrassment or pretense. When the Page of Fire enters your life, it is a sign that you are ready for the fresh and the new. Something wonderful is just on the horizon, and you have just the right quality of playful innocence and clarity to welcome it with open arms.



3 :: COMMIT ... *Accept - then Take the Next Step*

~ Now that I'm clear on any imbalances or distractions, what supports me as I re-commit?



Queen of Rainbows :: FLOWERING

The Queen of Rainbows is like a fantastic plant that has reached the apex of its flowering and its colors. She is very sexual, very alive, and full of possibilities. She snaps her fingers to the music of love, and her zodiac necklace is placed in a way that Venus lies over her heart. The sleeves of her garment contain an abundance of seeds, and as the wind blows the seeds will be scattered to take root where they may. She is not concerned whether they land on the soil or on the rocks - she is just spreading them everywhere in sheer celebration of life and love. Flowers fall on her from above, in harmony with her own flowering, and the waters of emotion swirl playfully beneath the flower on which she sits. You might feel like a garden of flowers right now, showered with blessings from everywhere. Welcome the bees, invite the birds to drink your nectar. Spread your joy around for all to share.

4 :: HONOR YOUR NATURE ... *Masculine & Feminine* ~ How can I honor my true nature, while fortifying my less dominant nature?

Knight of Water :: TRUST

Now is the moment to be a bungee jumper without the cord! And it is this quality of absolute trust, with no reservations or secret safety nets, that the Knight of Water demands from us. There is a tremendous sense of exhilaration if we can take the jump and move in to the unknown, even if the idea scares us to death. And when we really take trust to the level of the quantum leap, we don't make any elaborate plans or preparations. We don't say, "Okay, I trust that I know what to do now, and I'll settle my things and pack my suitcase and take it with me." No, we just jump, with hardly a thought for what happens next. The leap is the thing, and thrill of it as we free-fall through the empty sky. The card gives a hint here, though, about what waits for us at the other end - a soft, welcoming, yummy pink, rose petals, juicy ... c'mon!



5 :: NAVIGATING MULTI-DIMENSIONS ... **Easier Transitions** ~ What do I need to have, know or understand that will facilitate easier transitions?



VIII :: Strength :: COURAGE

This card shows a small wildflower that has met the challenge of the rocks and stones in its path to emerge into the light of day. Surrounded by an aura of bright golden light, it exposes the majesty of its tiny self. Unashamed, it is equal to the brightest sun. When we are faced with a very difficult situation we have a choice: we can either be resentful, and try to find somebody or something to blame for the hardships, or we can face the challenge and grow. The flower shows us the way, as its passion for life leads it out of the darkness and into the light. There is no point fighting against the challenges of life, or trying to avoid or deny them. They are there, and if the seed is to become the flower we must go through them. Be courageous enough to grow into the flower you are meant to be.

6 :: PRACTICE & PERFECT A RHYTHM ... *Assist the Stabilization* ~ What is strong within me, that I simply need to reactivate & practice at this time?

Queen of Water :: RECEPTIVITY

Receptivity represents the feminine, receptive quality of water and of the emotions. Her arms are extended upwards to receive, and she is completely immersed in the water. She has no head, no busy and aggressive mind to hinder her pure receptivity. And as she is filled she is continuously emptying herself, overflowing, and receiving more. The lotus pattern or matrix that emerges from her represents the perfect harmony of the universe that becomes apparent when we are in tune with it. The Queen of Water brings a time of unboundedness and gratitude for whatever life brings, without any expectations or demands. Neither duty or thought of merit or reward are important. Sensitivity, intuition and compassion are the qualities that shine forth now, dissolving all the obstacles that keep us separate from each other and from the whole.



7 :: BE NATURAL ... *Anchor & Own It* ~ What have I completely mastered, totally supports me now & for next 3-6 months?



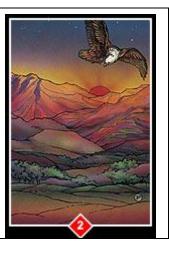
II :: High Priestess :: INNER VISION

The Inner Voice speaks not in words but in the wordless language of the heart. It is like an oracle who only speaks the truth. If it had a face, it would be like the face at the center of this card - alert, watchful, and able to accept both the dark and the light, symbolized by the two hands holding the crystal. The crystal itself represents the clarity that comes from transcending all dualities. The Inner Voice can also be playful, as it dives deep into the emotions and emerges again to soar towards the sky, like two dolphins dancing in the waters of life. It is connected with the cosmos, through the crescent-moon crown, and the earth, as represented by the green leaves on the figure's kimono. There are times in our lives when too many voices seem to be pulling us this way and that. Our very confusion in such situations is a reminder to seek silence and centering within. Only then are we able to hear our truth.

8 :: OUTCOME ... *Overview - Closing the Year Strong* ~ What will ultimately support me within and protect me without?

2 of Fire :: POSSIBILITIES

The eagle has an overview of all the possibilities contained in the landscape below, as he flies freely, naturally and effortlessly through the sky. He is really in his domain, very grand and self-contained. This card indicates that you are at a point where a world of possibilities is open to you. Because you have grown more loving towards yourself, more self-contained, you can work easily with others. Because you are relaxed and at ease, you can recognize possibilities as they present themselves, sometimes even before others can see them. Because you are in tune with your own nature, you understand that existence is providing you with exactly what you need. Enjoy the flight! And celebrate all the varied wonders of the landscape spread before you.



9 :: ABOVE ... *Outer/External/Worldly/Others/Public* ~ What will support me as I navigate in the world, with other people, in general?



XII :: The Hanged Man :: NEW VISION

The figure on this card is being born anew, emerging from his earthbound roots and growing wings to fly into the unbounded. The geometric shapes around the body of the figure show the many dimensions of life simultaneously available to him. The square represents the physical, the manifest, the known. The circle represents the unmanifest, the spirit, pure space. And the triangle symbolizes the threefold nature of the universe: manifest, unmanifest, and the human being who contains both. Now you are presented with an opportunity to see life in all its dimensions, from the depths to the heights. They exist together, and when we come to know from experience that the dark and the difficult are needed as much as the light and easy, then we begin to have a very different perspective on the world. By allowing all of life's colors to penetrate us, we become more integrated.

10 :: BELOW ... *Inner/Internal/Personal/Self/Private* ~ What will support me as I navigate in private, or behind the scenes, in general?

RAINBOWS :: Ace :: MATURITY

This figure stands alone, silent and yet alert. The inner being is filled with flowers-that carry the quality of springtime and regenerate wherever he goes. This inner flowering and the wholeness that he feels affords the possibility of unlimited movement. He can move in any direction--within and without it makes no difference as his joy and maturity cannot be diminished by externals. He has come to a time of centeredness and expansiveness--the white glow around the figure is his protection and his light. All of life's experiences have brought him to this time of perfection. When you draw this card, know well this moment carries a gift--for hard work well done. Your base is solid now and success and good fortune are yours for they are the outcome of what has already been experienced within.



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