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>>PLAYFUL HEART TAROT GUIDE BOOK INTRODUCTION

Welcome Tarot Friends, Kittens, Lovies and Dovies! So happy to see you here! Hope you will find this Little Book of Tarot Ideas inspiring. Let's get started! Let's shake it up, chop, chop!

⇒HERE WE GO! SOME BASIC IDEAS <

Asking a yes or no question is easy and fun but it leaves you with no choice of action of your own. (Will this or that happen? Well, if you do something about it, it will! In any moment you have million choices you can make. You are free to! Even if you are not the "decision maker" in the matter, you still have a choice about WHAT YOU WILL DO NEXT. And, you can never ever influence someone else's choice anyway.)

Frame your question in a way that puts you **IN CHARGE OF YOUR LIFE** with options. Instead of a yes/no question it is better to ask:

- * Who/what can be helpful for me to achieve this?
- * What action can I take right now to move me towards my desired goal?
- * What do I need to know/do about this? What are the factors that are at play?
- ★ Where would choice A/B lead me? What would this experience be like for me?
- * How can I?
- * What is the best way to...?
- Besides being explicit about the issue, always specify a time frame (and place). Remember, the more specific your question, the more specific the answer. Don't word your question by the seat of your pants. Put some thought into it. If you put in the time to set up your question, your cards will reward you with a clear insight. YAY!
- You can look up a spread that fits your question or write down your issue in detail, highlight some key words and phrases and pull a card for each. Voila! You have a custom spread!
- While you read the cards, glance at the written question and make sure you frame your reading in terms of the specific question you have asked.
- Shuffle, shuffle while focusing on your question. Pull a card when you get an intuitive DING, DING, DING! (Listen for the custom sound your intuition makes in your head.)
- Play, free associate to the images. Don't worry about "the meaning". Don't think: OMG, it is a "tarot card!" and I don't know the meaning! Sit with it, *stay with it*. SAY ALOUD whatever comes up for your first. Don't censor your thoughts in your head before speaking. You will be surprised how accurate your very first intuitive hit can be.
- ©Practice lots. Mix and match ideas about the cards and establish a reference library of your own meanings.
- Every card can be viewed as some parts of you relating to your question. A card can signify things going on inside of your mind, heart and body or stuff in your environment.
- This is followed by a list of challenges each card could be revealing to you. Some readers interpret a card as "negative" if it appears upside down. But, really, it's just showing you its shadow side. (Yup. There's no light without a shadow ♠⊕) I refer to this aspect of the cards as "in a pickle." When you're in a pickle, you're as disoriented and mixed up as the veggies in their salty vinegar base! Sure, it can be unpleasant! But pickles are CUTE!

So no worries! To read the less-than-friendly aspects of a card, first, notice that it has something pickle-y or prickly to say. How can you tell? Well, is the card reversed? That's a clue. Or maybe your gut is telling you the basic meaning doesn't make sense right now.

The shadow aspects of any card are like a friend saying, "Hello?! Is this what you really want? You can stop this right now! Or, you can do what you're doing differently!" Take this as a reminder that you can turn on your own heart-charm power and get out of any fix! Pull another card to find out how ... or just study the lesson of the previous card in the tarot sequence for another suggestion.

The following card descriptions are not "complete". There are a million things to say about each card. I am hoping that you will find this short guide useful.

ENJOY WORKING WITH THE CARDS!!!

Kitty Hugs and Tarot Love XOXOOXOXOXO <3 Kitten Chops ^--^

* Playful Heart Tarot Spell < ሩ 💠

Playful, wishful jewel Heart,
Reveal my Truth and my Light.
Guide my choice, which way shall I go
To harvest the treasures of your Glow,
To say hello to all my dreams, make them glitter like moon beams,
To open up my psychic eye, so true Courage I can find,
As I step into my Power like a bright sunflower!

Aquamarine, emerald, I love all the Magic you herald. Diamond, ruby, sapphire, I will build my empire!

Calling all Cute Powers, from my gem stone towers! Show me the Knowledge I seek, as an ever eager Mystic. Make it easy to get, light and true, and as always I thank you! I love lovey, lovely, love, love you!

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>THE MAJOR ARCANA

⇒Pure beauty, strength, delight Always loved YOU at first sight! Dazzle, dazzle super bright, like a diamond in the light! My sweet trusty open HEART, You are just RIGHT as you are. ◄

>>> O THE FOOL << Nothing ventured, nothing gained.

Hurray for summer vacation! What will you do, how will you spend the long, sunny days of your new life ahead? All possibilities are wide open! Freedom feels delicious! Let's just jump in! Team Bunny is on the move, darting off the cliff into the deep blue sea. These bunny team members are bright eyed and bushy tailed. (Literally:) They are not evaluating outcomes or risks. They are living it up right now, trusting life 100%. Isn't it a blast to leap off the cliff, to enjoy the euphoria of the free fall? YAY! How intoxicating it is to be alive! How delicious it is to feel the heat of the sun on your body and the caress of the cool waves? It is time for adventure, are you all in?!

The Fool In a Pickle

- * Adventure is one thing but flirting with danger is another. Don't forget to take your sunscreen along on that beach trip Kittens. Check the warning signs for rip tide and sharks too.
- * You don't care?! Are you feeling aimless and careless and clueless? How about *not* trying to control everything? Relax. Breathe, allow yourself to imagine some new opportunities that delight you.
- * Are you stuck inside your room in the middle of summer!? Come out, stretch your legs a bit. Let the sun kiss your face.
- * Is tomorrow another day? Yes, it is, but if you keep saying mañana every day......

>> I THE MAGICIAN <> Yes, you can! U PICK your mission a.k.a. choose your own Holy Grail.

The unbound, raw energy of the Fool is getting channeled into a specific task or action. The Magician decides what she wants and she will make it happen. She uses her Kitten Ears to tune into her sixth sense, her cat power instincts. The inside of her cosmic red cape harbors the universe with all its stars and planets. Which one would you like to travel to? What kind of ride do you fancy? Magic carpet or an ultra snazzy space rocket? Or would you like to transform a corner of the desert into a garden? But of course! What is your will? Decide what it is you hunger for the most, FOCUS, set that intention, sweep your wand, say the magic words. What are the magic words? You decide that as well. Words carry energy so only say what supports your goal. Name it. Make a mantra or a spell! Persevere till you succeed. Cheers baby, go baby, blossoms up!

The Magician In a Pickle

- * Are you getting burnt out from overwork? Slow down, loosen up. Be more mindful about where you are spending your energy in an unproductive manner.
- * If you are feeling frustrated, if you have to force it too much, it is not right for you.
- * Is this what YOU want?! Or are you toiling away for someone else's bottom line?

>>> II THE HIGH PRIESTESS <> < \left > You are the Oracle! You know where THE treasure is.

Now that you decided what it is that you want, you need to put in some work. You need to go on a quest to claim your dream. Imagine you are the High Priestess. You dive deep into the depths of the ocean to retrieve your treasure. Your heart is your compass. Your desire for your grail (your goal) shows you the way thru the crashing waves. This immense ocean can symbolize the subconscious mind. All your memories, secrets,

knowledge, wisdom, and your creative imagination lives here. It is vast, so your treasure finding skills need to be up to snuff. The bottom line is this: you have to dig into this fathomless unknown to get what you are looking for. You need to be brave to investigate. Or to put it another way: if you are looking to manifest your desire, you need to visualize it in your mind's eye first. Add all the details you can, imagine in technicolor. Keep doing this until you have found your prize. Bring out what has been hidden. You are the oracle, you have the connection. Allow your mind to quiet as you descend deeper and deeper. Once you are there, see your treasure, and breath it into being.

The High Priestess In a Pickle

- * Are you out of your depth, overwhelmed, feeling panicked, feeling small? Stop, calm down and get a rational action plan in place before you proceed.
- * Are you all over the map and cannot decide? Are you feeling wishy-washy? Or do you think you can leave it all to chance? Hmmm.... You are not ready.

>>> III THE EMPRESS << Hurray, it is spa day for your creativity and your body.

© You are in the garden. Everywhere you look there are flower laden branches. Delicate blossoms travel in the breeze. A murmuring brook waters and nourishes all the plants. The Empress (Our Goddess of everlasting Pink Blossoms and our Fountain of all creative projects) sits amidst her beautiful creations. Hang onto your hats Kittens! Is she made of the plants and flowers of the garden herself? Yes! AND, she is also painting them into being! She is playfully bringing forth anything she desires into physical form. She grows, nourishes, manifests EVERYTHING: your body, your children, your artwork. She is the ultimate mama to it ALL. Be good to you and treat yourself, and your masterpieces with maximum love. Take care of yourself, like the most loving parent in the world would. Become your own Empress and create your world as you like.

The Empress In a Pickle:

- * Are you letting your garden over grow? Are you not keeping up the care of your body? Are you neglecting your art or something you have created (art, human, animal?)
- * Are you treating your project or yourself like an evil stepmother?
- * Are you letting opportunities slip away? Are you too tired or busy to nourish your (brain) children? Let the ease and the beauty of the Empress show you how to tap into your own lushly potent genius.

>> IV THE EMPEROR << Who is your daddy? YOU are!

②All the bounty the Empress' gardens is producing, the Emperor puts to practical use. (Chief Designer of All Practical Matters, Master rule maker, mover, and shaker). He turns all the fruit into marketable products. He organizes, protects, advises, looks after everything. He is solid, reasonable, supportive and rational. He is the masculine productive principle in action. Be mindful of the armor he wears under his cashmere sweater tho. The Emperor is strong, fair, and all his actions flow from love. When he shows up, ask yourself if you are the Emperor in your own life. Are you holding the remote Honey Bun!? Are you setting your day up so you can be productive and brave? Are you creating a structure that supports your goals? Define exactly what it would take, and then do it. Stay motivated. Write your own rules and then stick to them with full integrity and a committed heart.

The Emperor In a Pickle:

- * Are you stiff, despotic, mean, inflexible, stubborn or boring? Is that how you want to spend your time, being a bad king? Get the starch out of your system ASAP!
- * If you are all wishy-washy, immature, let's set you up to be your own daddy already! Get your act together! Your life is your play, you are the star, we are waiting to see you shine!
- * Are you feeling impatient? Hey, Rome was not built in a day.

>>> V THE HIEROPHANT << Tuning into you. Who do you listen to? Who do you believe?

(b) What is up? My big ears!!! Yup! Did you know that when you commit yourself to inquire within, when you

consciously tap into your intuition, your soul morphs into a bunny?! At least mine does: D Yours can be any shape you like. The main thing is: your inner ears (a.k.a. your intuition) help you hear what your soul's telling you. It sends you a divine text: hello there baby doll, here is the scoop, FYI! This Golden Thread connects the center of your sweet self, directly to divine powers of the universe. Whoa! How cool is that!!! What will you find if you follow it? Treats and answers! So take the time to check in with yourself darling. You can also journal with your tarot cards, consult books (focus on your question and open a book at a random page). Or talk to a trusted teacher/advisor of your own flavor. Learning rules. So get in touch. Let's chat, let's get enlightened and make kick ass life choices accordingly.

The Hierophant In a Pickle:

- * You buy into a conveniently ready-made opinion or scenario or way of thinking. You don't think for yourself. You go with the herd. Baa, Baa, Baaaaoring!
- * You huff and puff and are all judgy about stuff. Is this really your business? I didn't think so.
- * You don't believe in anything foofy goofy such as intuition. You are treading up the hill all by yourself and it is getting too hard. You don't have to. Give your inner bunny ears a go!?

>>> VI THE LOVERS << Lemony, strawberry, living in perfect harmony......

Tum, yum! You are so delicious and I love you so much! I find it irresistible my belle, that your flavor is different from mine, yet we go together so well. I promise that I will always be sweet on you till the end of my days. I will see you, cherish you, accept you as you are, and won't want you to be anything different ever. We are a team! Fruity fruit, no substitute, your cute jumpsuit puts me in the mood! How lovely is this scenario!? The Lovers can represent team-mates who get along, or partners who communicate effectively. Or, this card could symbolize your heart (emotions) and your rational mind (thinking). Isn't it nice when they are in balance, when your head does not have to fight your heart? How graceful, faithful, colorful, cheerful, masterful. So my dear Kittens, don't hesitate, learn to communicate and freely appreciate. Know the difference when to respond with emotion, and when to use your head. That way, we can all live it up, all the way to the end of the rainbow.

The Lovers In a Pickle:

- * Speaking of fruit: is the "fruit" (the love in your life): dry, forbidden, sour, frozen, moldy, not ripe, bruised or GMO?! Out with it, compost it darling. You deserve to nourish your brilliant soul with top quality, fresh stuff. Do pay attention, and learn to tell the difference. Don't just survive, thrive! High five!
- * Is communication breaking down because of: too much drama, trauma, unhealthy long-held ideas? What is blocking the flow to slow, casting a big shadow? Put on your thinking cap and figure this out ASAP.

>>> VII THE CHARIOT << Ready, set, go!

• Wow. You are firing on all cylinders! The breakfast of champions (triple espresso shot, fresh kale juice or your choice of balanced morning meal) is fueling your body. Your mind knows precisely where you are headed. Your spirit is soaring from the excitement of the upcoming journey. You have courageously chosen to chart out new territory. Hurray! You have a plan and it is masterful. You are focused, centered and prepared: your magic wand, check!, star-strewn silk outfit, check!, essential art supplies, check!, twin Pomeranian puppies in your purse, check! As you power forward, lucky four-leaf clovers are sprouting in your step. Ah, you are putting a spell on the whole wide world right now!!! Congrats, you are fab!

The Chariot In a Pickle:

- * Are you inflexible and obnoxious about your goals and bowling everyone else over?
- * You don't have a plan and just fly by the seat of your pants? Or you are more comfortable staying put on your couch?
- * Are you scared or shy to wear the magic outfit you made? Or is your mom making you wear an embarrassingly lame magic outfit *she* made? Deerio, here is the deelio: it is your life and your choice of outfit and everything else. You gotta do what you gotta do. You.

>>> VIII STRENGTH << Self-mastery. Have you hugged your lion today?

- ©Lion hugs are the best. They are better than almost anything I can think of. So here are the instructions on how to hug a/your lion in five easy steps:
- 1. Be calm, focused and relaxed. Lions can tell right away if you have an unsavory agenda, ulterior motives or if you are a trophy hunter.
- 2. Before you start, prepare an action plan and a schedule for the whole process. No rush, one step at a time. First, you are making one small step forward. Then, every day, at the same hour, you are going to move closer and closer to your Lion.
- 3. Honor the Lion's power and be knowledgeable about his nature, his likes and dislikes.
- 4. Have the right treats on hand to reward good behavior and celebrate milestones.
- 5. Be patient, persistent and consistent. Ignore distractions. Feel the love! Proudly sport your LION TAMER EXTRAORDINAIRE t-shirt or flare. Live our life knowing you can attain any result you desire. The Lion can symbolize whatever you would like to achieve, your deepest desire, your overall life force energy. So know yourself and treat yourself gently with love.

Strength In a Pickle:

- * You have no patience or you don't believe in taming, you wanna use sheer force or a whip? Your lion will only learn to fear you. Would you want a fearful angry beast in your garden?! I didn't think so.
- * Negative thinking, self doubt are gettig you down. You can do this, come on!

>>> ix the hermit ≪ < 100% you.

Got a crazy idea? Do it! Don't listen to the naysayers. Geek out, do your thing. What is your unique contribution to this world that only you can bring forth? You know the answer! There are some the magical props and resources that will help you. A glowing skull lantern is showing you the way. (It is also a reminder that your time on this planet is a finite number of minutes. How are you going to spend it?) Then, do you see those intergalactic heart portals sprouting up? The mighty exuberance of your idea just busted them open! Which one will you choose? Then to top it all off, you have a magical kitteh guardian, a familiar. How cool is that?! You feel grounded, your bare feet feel the earth beneath your step. The cool mountain air is keeping your critical thinking ultra sharp. You got it going on, on all levels, magical and practical. So, what are you the master of? What is your expertise? What can you let go to pursue this passion? Your mountain top is calling, you are it, let's go!

The Hermit In a Pickle:

- * Nah.....not doing that. You ignore your insights and your intuitive nudges to follow your heart.
- * You don't think you can pull it off. It is too cold on that mountain top. And what would I eat there?! I have to feed the cat too?!?!
- * You are a hermit in your room or in a virtual world. You are not living your life to the fullest. You are not interested in contributing to the flow of magic in the world.

>>> X THE WHEEL << Just roll with it, baby. This is the (r) evolution.

The wheel is turning, like it or not. You plant a seed and by the time the wheel completes a cycle you have harvest. Nature takes care of stuff like the seasons and the weather. Similarly, we have cycles/phases in our lives. Some serve us, some hurt us. Are you consciously creating patterns (choosing to repeat actions) that serve you my dear Kitten? Or are you leaving it to luck, hoping that the wheel will deliver you something tasty that you like? Change is constant, there is no controlling or stopping change. If you are getting dizzy, your best bet is to chill in the middle at the center of the wheel. The Radiant Hearted Baby Buddha sporting a bunny hat lives here, visit with him for a while. This is the only place the where the motion stops. He will teach you the secret of moving into your new phase of life with effortless poise and a light heart: relax, let go, just flow with it baby.

The Wheel In a Pickle:

* Are you finding yourself wanting to cling onto something that is changing? Ah, I know this is hard, but try to see the gift in the incoming shift of your affairs. You might be surprised how everything

- might be a turn out for the better.
- * Are you down on your luck? Do you feel like you are lost in a casino? Maybe it is time to be intentional about what you want with a practical plan in place?

>>> XI JUSTICE << < You reap what you sow.

©From apple seeds come apple trees and apples. No ifs or buts, it is always like that. It is the law. Justice makes sure that this universal law is upheld all the time. She weighs everything precisely with her heart scale. She is impartial, impersonal, 100% rational. Easy peasy. As long as you keep the basic laws of cause and effect in mind, things will be grand. Weigh the facts, then based on this knowledge, take appropriate actions. Make adjustments, make amends. Voila, you have a shiny good result achieved via legit, objective fair play. If for some reason you are on the hook, in a hopeless situation, you still have the power to affect the outcome. You have a choice: what are you going to do now? Do the right thing. You know what it is.

Justice In a Pickle:

- * Everything that is the opposite of objective/fair play: prejudice, corruption, personal greed, resentment, blame, not taking responsibility for your actions. Ignoring the rules, and then scoffing at the undesirable outcome.
- * Things are out of whack. Did you expect to harvest peaches in the apple orchard?!

>>> XII THE HANGED MAN <> Reverse your attitude in solitude. Change your mind (about yourself).

©Super handsome Mr. Morning Glory Bud is hanging out, taking pleasure in kicking back. The sunlight coaxed his fellow Bud Cubs to open and blossom already, but what is the rush? He has his noise canceling bud-hat on, so he cannot hear the others' chatter that would most likely scatter his focus. Plus, it feels so cozy to be in the cocoon of the bud. You too can take some time out to mull over your core beliefs you hold to be true. Meditate, chill, visualize your best case scenario, believe you are sumptuous, wondrous, luscious. Consider some new perspectives, uproot habitual ways of thinking and old assumptions. You might not have all the answers right this minute and that is OK. Change your point of reference. Practice empathy, stop talking and *just listen*. Try something new, something you have never done before. Yoga inversions anyone?

The Hanged Man In a Pickle:

- * You feel bound and uncomfortable, not at all at peace, struggling to free yourself from the grip of the shackles that feel suffocating. The more you try to use raw force to get out, the worse it will get. Turn your assumptions upside down for a sec and see if you get a new insight. Put yourself in their shoe for a moment, OK?
- * You got your panties up in a bunch?! Relax, it will be fine. Your reaction is out of proportion.

>>> XIII DEATH << Coodbye caterpillar, hello butterfly!

© You know the cliche metaphor about how the chrysalis metamorphoses into a gorgeous butterfly? The caterpillar that lives attached to a branch, feeds on leaves, changes into the butterfly that flies and lives only on flower nectar. Think that thru Kittens! Do you think that such transformation happens double quick, lickety-split? Nope. At the right time, the caterpillar will slowly disintegrate itself via enzymes. Then, some remaining core stem cells will start multiplying and build the wings and all the other new butterfly parts that the caterpillar did not have, changing form completely. What a ghastly process! Or is it a magnificent miracle? Caterpillar time is up, time to fly butterfly! One story ends, another one begins. Are you heartbroken for the pupa or are you feeling thankful for the emergence of the butterfly? You are too transitioning into a new phase, a new way of being. Give yourself lots of time and TLC thru this passage. (I know I did not mention the tulips on the card whom I named Romeo and Juliette. The lark just alerted them to the coming of dawn and to the fact that their rendezvous is over until next spring, when they will re emerge from the frosty ground anew)

Death In a Pickle:

* Not accepting that something is over. I am so sorry, I know this is hard. Take your time with this and be gentle with yourself.

* Do you want the new you instantly? Hmmm..., that is not how it works. Transformation is slow and intensely profound. It is not something you can double click and get delivered with next day air. Be patient and genuine. We are all looking forward to seeing your wings.

>>> XIV TEMPERANCE << Reinvent your radiant self. Mix and match your perfect life.

© Temperance is patient and kind. She is super smart, she knows her stuff. She is a curious, creative scientist, alchemist. She formulates all sort of goods: healing soul balms, magic potions. She *tempers* rainbows (as if it was chocolate) into strawberry glazes. What is her goal? Changing/transmuting one thing/condition to another. Or, to find the elixir of life. In her laboratory, she experiments via trial and error. She uses her practical knowledge and her intuition. She mixes and matches possible ingredients to achieve her desired results. What is her secret? Balance and moderation, using ingredients in the right proportion. What are you making of your life? Are you enjoying the process? You could be anything you want be as long as you are willing to play and you mind the rules.

Temperance In a Pickle:

- * You buy into some phony arrangement, like buying a knockoff perfume or snake oil from a charlatan. Don't let others sell you *their* recipe for success.
- * You are too busy getting involved in other people's lives... Pay attention to your own stuff hon.
- * Are you feeling depleted and dry, maybe having a creative block? The remedy is some no agenda playtime.

>> XV THE DEVIL << Ladies and gentlemen, please enjoy the show and watch your step on the way down (to rock bottom if that is your pleasure today).

Well, you ignored following Temperance's recommendation of mixing and matching in moderation? Now you are in deep. Are you digging deep for a creative treasure, exploring your dark side? Are you digging deep to heal yourself and accept even the shadowy bits of your soul? Or, are you in deep, stuck in the mud of this dark dirt-floored cave, and you can't seem to be able to move anymore? Which one is it? How are you feeling? Check in with yourself. Are you breathless from creative excitement? Are you feeling lethargic in the heavy, poppy laced subterranean air? In a situation, like this, I would advise you to mind the details and read all the small print. You know how the devil is in them. There could be long term consequences or even hell to pay later if you make a careless choice now. But you don't want to think about such boring things right? The cool-aid looks refreshing and you are parched. Did you notice that the wait staff is pretty weird looking and they are not wearing much clothing? Well, it is hot in here! The mood is quite peculiar, maybe kind of cool?! Electric blue mushrooms pulse with magical poison, snakes wriggle about and the cocktail umbrella is a bat... So, will you take a sip? I know you want to...or will you get yourself together and take a beeline for the exit that opens to a sunny meadow, to freedom?

The Devil In a Pickle:

- * You are allowing your energy to get drained by harmful habits. Vampire-like humans make you tired. You believe in lies. You are indulging. A lot. You feel guilty. You blame, you co-depend, you avoid finding out why you are in pain. You hurt and that becomes your whole life.
- * You feel like you cannot control anything. There nothing you can do, or is there? Take one small step at a time establish your boundaries mentally and physically. Ask for help stat from a loved one you trust.

>> XVI THE TOWER << Oh, no, not now....

©If you are reluctant to leave the Devil's lair, a divine commando will bust you out of there sooner or later. You cannot stay down there forever, chained to your illusions and misconceptions. It is time to get on with the program! Commandos tend to be bit heavy handed tho and they never give you advance notice. Your rescue experience can range from mild annoyance to sheer panic. The Tower Task Force usually strikes at an inconvenient time. They might show up in the middle of the night or early morning while you are buttering your toast. All your (ego driven) shenanigans you were busy with will be interrupted. Your pants might catch on fire too if you know what I mean. You can try to grab a stash of cash or hold onto your official status or your limiting beliefs but it is no use. You will be set free from all these trimmings like it or not. The truth will

be out. You are now free to be you. Unplugged version. So let's hear your song! Let's go, let's turn it up and live life with your creative purpose on full blast!

The Tower In a Pickle:

- * You are holding on tooth and nail, unwilling to believe your own eyes.
- * Yes, this is really happening and yes, you still have a choice about what you do with it now. Will you fall or will you fly?

>>> XVII THE STAR << This your time to shine!

After the Tower has blasted down all the lies and the shams, your true self is springing to life at last. Your dreams are yours for the taking (action). Shine on Baby Angel! Your ride tonight is the magical Blue Bird of Happiness! It is a balmy summer night, citrus scented leaves are rustling. The fountain of youth is bubbling below while you are lifting up gently into the celestial spheres... Your own, sweet heavenly body feels so good, now that you are free to show all parts of yourself. No more pretending, hiding, holding back, no more putting up with stuff that hurts, no more living life for some one else. You can wear your hair any way you like and you can paint your toes and not wear shoes. And you tell your Blue Bird ride where to take you exactly. You decide what dream to make come true, you decide what is true for you. Your time has come. Follow your bliss and don't look back. Ah, this is it, this is what you have always wanted! Welcome to your true self Love.

The Star In a Pickle:

- * You keep putting off going for what you want. You are finding a million excuses why you are not taking action. Or maybe it makes more sense for you to be realistic and keep your nose to the grindstone.
- * You are comparing your star to some other star. Or you are spellbound by someone else's shine. You feel outshone. All stars are different. Your dream and star is yours alone, you the only one who can travel there. Don't spend time comparing or thinking about other people's star and what is on it. Mind your own dream gorgeous!

>>> XVIII THE MOON << Don't believe everything you see.

Welcome to your own haunted forest ride! Oh, *&#@!!! The Blue Bird of Happiness could only take you so far. You are suddently on your own! Or are you? Wait, what are those things moving in the shadows of the forest?! Creepy!!! It is pitch dark out and the only light is from the Moon. Your choices are: get overwhelmed, freak out and give up. OR, you ground yourself, keep breathing and keep putting one foot in front of the other. Feel every step. You are OK, this is part of the process. You can do it! See that pool of light that forms around you? It is heart shaped! Cause, Love is all there is. Right? Right! You know this! You walk that narrow path of light taking shape in front of you. You have your red power boots on and your essential supplies in your basket. If you need to, call in support, you don't need do this all alone. And, remember YOUR DREAM? Hold onto it, keep thinking of it, fine tune it, feel it taking shape in your body. Feel yourself EVOLVE as you walk this challenging path.

The Moon In a Pickle:

- * You are white knuckling it ALL ALONE. Please take care of yourself and get support with this.
- * You ignore the heavy issue at hand, you don't want to deal with it. The thing is tho, that the only way out is thru. Let's work on this patiently with lots of love, shall we? You can do this. You are not alone. YOU ARE LOVED.

>>> XIX THE SUN << Isn't life just marvelous right now?!

© You are at your favorite amusement park and all the rides and treats are free! See, cool things happen when you stick to your dream and walk your talk! The warm sunshine melted away all the night time ghosts of doubt and fear. You are home, free. Whatever you want is within reach. You are reborn, feeling energized, fresh, carefree, strong and happy. You feel the solar energy of the sun in your bones. The warmth supports your every cell, and it feels marvelous, glorious, luxurious.

The Sun In a Pickle:

- * You are still not out of the woods. Focus on love, don't let fear eat you up. Get some vitamin D and fresh air.
- * Please don't overdo it. Eating too much cotton candy or other fair food will make your tummy upset. Everything in moderation, all right?

>>> XX JUDGEMENT << Rise and shine, it is an Awakening!

©Kittens are hatching out of lotus blossoms! The warm sunshine had tickled their whiskers! Come out kittens, let's play together! There are no restrictions, anything is possible! You are graduating, you are moving on up! You have proven yourself. You have left your past far behind. You know how to be in charge of your own power. Isn't that thrilling, exhilarating, awakening?! Step up, keep moving! Keep following your heart towards the golden glitter of brilliant light.

Judgement In a Pickle:

- * You are not taking this seriously. You are playing hooky and flunking your classes. Don't you want to wrap this up and move on?
- * You are feeling annoyed about having to step up. You are not that even that interested. What is all the fuss about?! You wanna be left alone. You are just fine in your comfort zone, thank you very much.

>>> XXI THE WORLD << Congrats, you did it! You take the crown, you win the cake!

It is your song playing at the Disco of Life and everybody it getting down to it. You are having the time of your life bogeying down with your supporting team of Kittens! Enjoy, jump for joy! Immerse yourself in this moment, have a ball!

The World In a Pickle:

- * You are sitting it out. Your dance card is empty, no one asked you to dance. Honey! Get up and show us your moves.
- * No matter how perfect things are in your world Princess, you are still not happy. You are still feeling the pea under your pile of mattresses. You can't stop feeling annoyed and bothered, and you are not even sure why.

₩WANDS≈

The wands are the FIRE like life force energy that makes you and everything else live. It is the 24/7 energy fuel for life, for love, for inspiration/motivation, for taking action. If you have it, you have GLOW. Have none, and it will blow: you will feel spent and burnt out. The thing to remember is to take care of this energy like you would tned to a real fire you want to cook with. Start small with kindling, and keep feeding it adding more or less fuel depending on your needs.

➤Ruby, ruby, ruby red My strength is moving me ahead! I claim my courage, fearlessness, As I follow my bliss to success!~

¥ACE OF WANDS≪

The sparks are flying, the energy is surging thru the sky. Babe, this is hot, hot, hot!!!! This card is a mega fiery thumb up from the universe. You have the lighter. Will, you set this thing ablaze? Say YES! In a Pickle:

- * This is a no go, dead end, no support.
- * It is over before it started. If you can't figure out how to rekindle it, let go or just simply walk away.

¥TWO OF WANDS▼

Yeah, you have set the bonfire ablaze! Pretty cool. You are brave, forging ahead, risk taker you. Now what?! Keep going! Find some practical/creative focus for all this energy.

In a Pickle:

- * You are aren't showing true effort, pretending to go along, half-hearted, indecisive.
- * Don't pester others or get mad at them if they aren't into what you're doing.

¥THREE OF WANDS▼

Good job keeping up the energy flow and getting things done. Now we are cooking! All that fire is put to good use, cooking up something yum. Great progress.

In a Pickle:

- * Keep your eye on the pot: "The cook's place is in the kitchen," my grandfather used to say.
- * Don't overestimate your resources. Make sure you have enough fuel for your needs.

¥FOUR OF WANDS▼

The meal is ready and served, time for a dinner party! Enjoy the fruits of your labor with your friends. You put a lot of energy into this and it turned out lovely. Have fun! Bask in the glow, savor the flavor. In a Pickle:

- * Don't overeat, OK? Don't push yourself to unhealthy levels.
- * Who cares what other people think? No one's judging you. Relax and enjoy where you are.

¥FIVE OF WANDS≪

Just when you thought you can sit on your laurels, and take a nap after the big meal, a challenge arises. You gotta get it together and get up. You must leave the safety of your comfort zone! You must face this! You can do it, you will be glad you did. Have a sporty attitude, all right?!

In a Pickle:

- * Don't get carried away with your competitiveness and act like a jerk. Please.
- * Rash action might give you an unpleasant rash later. So look before you jump.

Yay, you made it, you pulled it off! You WIN! You are beaming with joy and enthusiasm. This is super good news, a winning ticket, and well-deserved rewards.

In a Pickle:

- * Don't get all cocky about your success. Lots of people helped you get here.
- * I'm so sorry it didn't work out this time. You can always try again. See what you've learned from this experience.

¥SEVEN OF WANDS ✓

What?! Did the dragon take your favorite pet?! That is outrageous!!!! You must get him back, NOW! You don't have much time to think of a strategy but you have amazing instincts to handle this. Be brave and get this done! You must stand up for yourself. You can turn this around! In a Pickle:

- * Know when to quit so you can stop wasting your energy. Don't run yourself into a wall, either.
- * Please make up your mind already—for the benefit of all involved. You're stalling.

¥EIGHT OF WANDS≪

Wow, what momentum out of the blue! Fly, fly butterfly sweetie pie! This sudden energy surge is such a sweet ride and it is so refreshing! Things are happening super fast and it is all for the best.

In a Pickle:

- * Are you jumping to conclusions? Check the facts first, Honey Bun.
- * Being a stick in the mud?! Totally not fun.
- * Yes, you're in a hurry, but you still must do your due diligence to avoid mistakes.

You have been thru a lot. Just like our Butterfly Soldier friend who has braved a bird attack and made it thru. He trusted his intuition and demonstrated his preparedness in defending himself. Good job, Butterfly Friend. Take a breather now, you can relax.

In a Pickle:

- * Stop burning the candle at both ends. Or freaking out over nothing.
- * Pondering scary, imaginary threats is so ruining your beauty sleep. Give your fears a rest. You're fine—everything will work out.
- * If you need mental health support, please get it without delay.

¥TEN OF WANDS ▼

Oh, boy. Imagine, you are a scarab beetle who excels at pushing poop along. Except right now, this little sucker Turd Beast won't move... Just when it matters the most, at the qualifiers for the Poop Rolling race! WTF! I know you are super frustrated but don't try to force this with sheer power. Use your head, get some perspective or take a break or get some help.

In a Pickle:

- * You're feeling mad and intolerant, and you're trying hard not show it. It's only a question of time before you blow your top.
- * If you prefer to be intolerant then that's gonna be a huge problem. Prejudice blows.

¥PAGE OF WANDS✓

Hi Page of Wands! Look at you! You are so sweet and playful! This is super fateful! You are so much fun and so impulsive it makes me blush! How passionate, hot, adventuresome you are! to thrill, You are overflowing with creative energy! Are ready to experience it all?! Even if it is a crash and burn?! I dare you! Yes?! Shall we start with running under the sprinkler and go from there? You are ON Lolita!

In a Pickle:

- * Doing something stupid in the heat of the moment? Think twice. There will be consequences to deal with later on.
- * Hey, Drama Queen, are you actually enjoying this?!
- * This is only a flirt, so don't get carried away. (Don't buy any bridal magazines just yet.)

Vroom, vroom! Hello there, handsome hero! You must be the dream prince of my fantasies! Is that a leopard you are riding? OMG, that is my favorite big feline! WOW, wow, meow! This is too hot and exciting! You are irresistible and unstoppable, a conqueror. What is your current adventure? If I know anyone who needs to start a fire of any kind, or jump-start a creative project, I will give them your number. We all know that reason and resistance are futile when you darling, you daredevil hothead show up. Let's have fun, this is beyond delicious... Yes, yes, of course we are not expecting long term anything.... I know that commitment is not part of your vocabulary. This much wild energy is not sustainable for too long. In a Pickle:

* Oh my goodness, don't be too reckless!

- * Well, yes, it is over. The fire that fuels your passion, can also burn your house down my Piglet. Chalk it up to experience, file the amazing good memories on your Heart Drive and move on.
- * Slow and steady wins the race.

¥QUEEN OF WANDS <

In a Pickle:

Bonjour Queen of Wands. Your whole being is aglow with a warm, alluring, inviting fire energy. You are all-embracing, comforting and exciting at the same time. How open, independent, charismatic, confident, creative, not afraid of anything you are! You thrive on intellectual and visual excitement. Cats and books are your favorite things. You know what you need, you know what you want and how to get it. You turn your passion into a thriving venture that is beneficial to all. You command a partner who can quench your thirst for inspiration, knowledge and fun.

* Oh, get down from your high horse already, don't be an egomaniac darling.

- * Lady boss is cool but obnoxious lady boss (getting your way at any cost) is not.
- * Oh, honey, don't be jealous. Envy green is not a good color on you.

¥KING OF WANDS▼

Good Morning King of Wands. You had tea in your Japanese garden already? You are the sweetest, most handsome, most creative man who works for a good cause. (Note how the confident, fiery power of the knight has matured) You focus your abundant energy on high goals in a productive manner. How dynamic, generous, dignified and warm-hearted you are. It is also a fact that you are a fantastic catch: you cherishes your significant other as an equal creative partner.

In a Pickle:

- * All your good work/success, has gone to your head huh?!
- * Vain, arrogant, intolerant, non-Bueno. Don't let your head get THAT big.
- * Are you too impatient? Do you really believe everyone else is incompetent?

ÅCUPS≈

Cups are WATER energy. They symbolize your EMOTIONS (universal, instinctual reactions to threat/reward that alter your physical state) and FEELINGS (subjective meaning assigned to emotions, influenced by personal experience, memories, beliefs). Love, relationships, healing belongs here. What is water like? It is a refreshing, flowing, vital liquid. It nourishes all life. It is all wonderful until it stops flowing and moving and gets putrid. Then what you get? Mosquitoes! Water can move gently (caressing or eroding) and it can move violently as well. Just think of a flooding river or a stormy ocean. Fasten your seatbelt and enjoy your adventure in the pleasure ground of the Cups.

⇒Heal me, calm me, refresh me please, Deepest ocean, bring me peace. Relax me, soothe me, cleanse me free, I am willing to brave the darkness inside of me. Once I'm in flow you will see, How with dolphin like agility I will splash my way to tranquility. ◄

Let's fill up our hungry hearts to the brim with super tasty blessings! Open your eyes and recognize the grace and favors being bestowed upon you. Happiness and fulfillment of your earthly desire can be yours only if you are open to this heavenly opportunity.

In a Pickle:

- * Aimless daydreaming or a closely guarded heart are blocking your progress.
- * Are you operating from your head? Let your heart get a word in. You'll like what you'll hear.

\$TW0 OF CUPS <

Your open heart is so gorgeous it has attracted a kindred connection. This can be any kind of relationship, business or romantic or a friendship. You two have great chemistry. Enjoy frolicking and playing together in the warm tropical waters of mutual understanding and love.

In a Pickle:

- * The separation makes you disappointed you. You were just not a match.
- * Unhealthy dependence on another does not serve you and it does not feel good either. And you know it, too.
- * A conflict of interest is busting this deal.

1+2=3! You two have created a third, wonderful new thing. What a joyful development! Fill your heart with gratitude. Cherish this beautiful phase of abundance and success.

In a Pickle:

- * Is your sex drive way over the speed limit?! Easy, Tiger!
- * Don't get ahead of yourself. Sure, keep the champagne on ice, but it might be a while before you can pop the cork.

It is a lazy Sunday afternoon and you are on a luxury picnic with your best friends. You have filled up your tummy with delicious treats. Everyone feels buzzed from the drinks and all that beauty around you. It seems like this feeling of satisfaction will last forever. What could ever change this secure perfection?

In a Pickle:

- * Change is inevitable. Don't fool yourself into thinking your situation will stay like this till the end of time.
- * Are you feeling unfulfilled? Hungover? Jaded by your luxurious life? Take a look around for the inspiration you need to bounce you out of your complacency.
- * Don't get too possessive, darling. You are being desperate. Less cling, more bling!

♣FIVE OF CUPS

I am so sorry to see you experiencing such painful feelings. You are coping with disappointment and loneliness too. If all this makes you only want to sit on your private lotus leaf island and cry all day, that is OK. But you know what? You don't have to be alone. See your Bunny Buddy trying to get your attention from the shore? He has a picnic basket! He will also advise you to recognize that something even better will come your way super soon! Please also note that your Frog Butler is holding up two full cups of happiness juice. Have a small sip at least, OK?

In a Pickle:

- * The situation couldn't be any more clear but you don't see the writing on the wall...
- * You refuse to feel your feelings. Bottling them up will be too hard in the long term. Attend to your heart now.

ÅSIX OF CUPS

See, you are OK! Actually, you are more than OK. You are feeling balanced and happy, musing over some sweet, innocent memories. They take you back to a time when your reality was all peaches and cream. Back then, there was rainbow topping of blessings sprinkled over your days. An enchanted white horse was standing by to whisk you on to yet another cloud. Ahhhh. Remembrance of Things Past...(Marcel Proust whose photo is on the wall wrote a whole trilogy about this) Go ahead, drink it all in. Take pleasure in reveling. Reminiscing is a great way to inspire you to move on. Or, to get into a creative, productive, pleasurable flow.

În a Pickle:

- * Don't wallow in the past, darling. Memory Lane can prove to be a muddy, slippery slope.
- * Hello? Anybody home? Come back to earth, you have stuff to do.

☆SEVEN OF CUPS

You are out hiking in a neon-colored forest trying out your new rose-colored glasses. You suddenly realize that you are sooo thirsty. Oh, no! Is your water bottle empty already?! Thankfully, the seven flavored soda waterfall is just around the next meadow. It has seven options to quench your thirst. Which flavor would delight you most? Cherry or orange or cola?! Don't get too dazzled by all the snazzy choices. Only the plain looking freshwater option in the very middle will hydrate your body and soul. So the bottom line is: don't get distracted by wishful thinking or deceptive illusions. Sharpen your focus on one thing and follow thru. In a Pickle:

- * Self-deception, you would prefer not to see the truth.
- * Indulging in soda or other forms of addiction that will only hurt you in the end.

If you are an oyster, and you see some oyster-catcher birds squeezing lemon on the oyster bed next door, getting ready to dine, what do you do? You get out of there! Hoping that they will eat their fill before they get to your

hood, is crazy risky. So no matter how hard it seems, recognize that this situation is hopeless, let go, get your move on. A new path is being lit for you. You got a pearl, you are precious, you have a mission to do. Let's go. In a Pickle:

- * You have grown so used to a toxic set up that you don't even care anymore. Nobody else can do this for you. You gotta see the light yourself.
- * Are you fishing in murky waters, looking for dinner?!

♣NINE OF CUPS

See, how cool things turn out when you follow your intuition?! Your heart is boldly glowing GOLD! All your cups are filled to the brim with the magic tonic of your choice. This is your lucky, joyous, happiest bliss day! Relax, pamper yourself and take it all in.

In a Pickle:

- ★ Whatever you're doing or consuming, it has way too much sugar in it. Stop forcing it.
- * Are you feeling pretentious, huffy-puffy, arrogant?!
- * Are you bummed about your plans not quite working out? Keep going! Your moment is just around the corner.

Perfect ten is your score in the game of life. You are as happy as can be. The harmony you have been desiring for so long is finally yours. Enjoy all the heart warming comforts and be grateful for your partnerships. Celebrate! Count your blessings, they are as numerous as the stars in the sky. In a Pickle:

- * Easy come, easy go.
- * Let go of your expectations and enjoy what you do have. Don't be jealous and don't think that the grass is always greener on the other side.

♣PAGE OF CUPS

Hello Dreamy Girl! How creative, affable and sensitive you are! You are a muse, the sweetest dreamer! Your sensitive and highly romantic heart is always longing for something to love. You are impulsive, you love to share/express your feelings (with friends, in your diary or thru art). No matter what, (imaginary) adventures with you are pure delight.

In a Pickle:

- * Are your goals too vague? Make a concrete plan of action.
- * Are you flirting with someone for your own entertainment? Heart-breaker, karma-maker!
- * Are you being way too naive, telling tall tales or deceiving yourself?

Oh, hello there Dream Boat! How elegantly you float into my field of vision with your perfect body....You must have a black belt in some martial art! All that diligent training really shows...And that man bun! (What do you look like with your hair down?!) Is that a glass of champagne for me?!?!?! Yes!.... Ah, Knight of Cups master of grace and pleasure. Let me hear your poetry! Charm me, woo me, romance me. Love is like a magical roller coaster with you. This energy is what romance novels are made of is mine (for a while). Until we will have exhausted the inspiration we can offer each other, you will be my joie de vivre.

In a Pickle:

- * Is your honey or the situation you find yourself in is a fake/pretend? Is this a relationships based on looks/superficial stuff and nothing else?
- * If he makes you feel like you are not up to his standards, just let him move on.
- This is only flattery, not true feelings.

AQUEEN OF CUPS <

Queen of all the Waters. Hail thee, supreme artistic, intuitive, patient and kind queen. You are as gentle as the lapping ocean waves on a calm day. You are open and patient. You listen to your own inner voice and you live true to yourself. You feel deeply, you are devoted to your loved ones and you are affectionate. You are a soul-mate to one lucky being.

In a Pickle:

- * Are you feeling moody, manipulative, secretive or lost?
- * Do feel like you're going crazy? Get back into your body. Take a walk or a bath.
- * Are you suspicious of your partner for no reason? Get your facts straight before you jump to conclusions.

ÅKING OF CUPS ★

Hello beloved King of Cups! You are wise, cultured, sensitive, helpful, creative, noble and kind. You have been thru so much and now you are using your experience and talents to heal all the hearts in the world. Thank you for all your work. You dropped your anchor in my heart too. No one can understand me like you can. I am your open book. You rejuvenate my life force. You heal me. You know how to get things done efficiently with love. You are the prefect mix of yin and yang.

In a Pickle:

- * Are you taking unfair advantage?
- * Are you running after a mirage?
- * Don't blur the lines in a professional relationship.
- * Don't be a selfish shellfish!

>>>SWORDS~<

Swords bring in AIR like energy. All-permeating, this energy is like the oxygen we breathe. Clear and invisible—or made visible if polluted or too cold. Swords symbolize your thoughts, what goes through your head, your self-talk, your fears, your mental attitude and mental health. Your clear, rational thoughts can bring you to a life-affirming mountain high, make you feel vibrant and alive. On the other hand, if your head is filled with thoughts of blame and fear, your thoughts can get you lost in a suffocating smog.

➤ Calmly focus, cut the crap!

I see my path clear, no the traps!

I commit to pull up my bootstraps,

To intuit a clear road-map.

Self discipline and my truth

Improves my own attitude,

And brings all my chicks home to roost! ◄

>>ACE OF SWORDS <<

Cheers for cutting thru that bunch of crap of a dark cloud! Alexander the Great cut the Gordian knot with a single swoosh of his sword. He did not get bogged down with the details, he did not try to loosen it with his hands. He made one brilliant move and that was it. He became the ruler of Asia as the Oracle predicted. Use your head and welcome a new "revelation level" idea or brilliant clarity.

In a Pickle:

- * Hairsplitting much!?
- * Calculating for best advantage? It's not working. You're just getting tangled up even more.
- * Whatever it is you're thinking, it's a no-go.

≫TWO OF SWORDS≪

Our beautiful diamond legged Peace Dove Princess finds a fair, neutral balance in all things. She quiets the chatter of her mind and allows the most desirable alternative to arise. Balance is your friend. Your best bet is to be impartial and objective.

In a Pickle:

- * Doubts and blocks. Freaking out or spacing out, something is stalling your flow. Take a break, go for a walk or a swim. Freshen up your perspective.
- * Sticking your head in the sand leaves you no air to breathe. This issue needs to be tended to *now*.

>>>THREE OF SWORDS<

Ouch!!! You were expecting your dream to come true.... but instead you get piercing roses' thorns?! WTF! This hurts! What a sobering, painful insight! Even your tears are heartbroken! But look, they are all wearing golden hats! I know it is a cliche but here is always a lesson to build on (or listen to your gut in the first place). No matter how teensy or fragile, there is always a silver lining to be glad for too. Open up to this experience, let it move thru your life quickly.

In a Pickle:

- * Ignoring pain will not make it go away. Please take care of your heart.
- * Wishful thinking will only lead to more disappointment.
- * Are you thinking about getting back at someone?! Hmmm.... Your plan will backfire.

>>FOUR OF SWORDS <<

You have been thru the ringer. Please give yourself some time out. Recharge, refuel your plane, enjoy a nourishing beverage, rest up. There is no point rushing about right now. Flight conditions are not in your favor anyway. Visibility is low with all that fog. You need to sit this one out, collect your strength. Taking a break does not mean you are giving up. So don't lose your confidence. The weather always shifts. In a Pickle:

- * You're at a standstill but not at peace. How can you take care of yourself right now?
- * You've pushed yourself too hard. Don't risk illness; get some rest. Once you have your strength back, you'll be ready to start working on a game-changing plan.

>>FIVE OF SWORDS <<

Here comes the neighborhood bully! Watch out! It is a stampede! He is ready to humiliate or hurt whoever gets in his way. For him the end justifies the means, no matter the cost. One brave kitten stands up to him. The other kitten has given up all hope, he is defeated. Which one of these three characters reflect your thinking? Are some troubling thoughts torment you like this?

In a Pickle:

- * This conflict is long overdue. Confrontation is unpleasant, but you can't avoid it anymore. Better to handle this head-on.
- * If you feel like you need to smudge your place, do it.

>>SIX OF SWORDS <<

Since this situation has not worked out, let us move on. Let's explore a different perspective. Doesn't it feel good to take action and make a change? Make sure you are objectively weighing your options. Let's fancy you do some exploring.

In a Pickle:

- * Are scared to call a do-over? Don't be. Focusing on what you really want will help you.
- * Are you being unrealistic or overly theoretical? One practical action will move you in the right direction.

>>SEVEN OF SWORDS <<

Not willing to face things honestly with yourself is even harder than not being honest with others. It takes nonstop effort to keep holding up your mask while you are walking on a sword's edge at the same time. Your arm will start hurting soon enough or you might slip and cut your foot or will have to face even more dire consequences. Even if it feels like you are taking some sort of decisive action that looks like a good idea to you at the moment, please take a minute and evaluate how you might be out of alignment for one reason or another. Pull up your Chickie Chick Productive Pants, and give facing things head on a try. In a Pickle:

- * Whatever you think of doing is hopelessly futile.
- * It's all lies and a pit of snakes. Yikes! Stay away.

>>EIGHT OF SWORDS <<

This is a mega overwhelm, an interference, a dry spell. Some oppressing negative thoughts are making mincemeat out of your intuition. You are feeling timid, powerless, anxious and repressed. Don't buy into this setup! Look up and see that you are free to walk away and stop listening to the nay-saying voices. You have

the power to overcome this rebound. The Idea Sprouts in your heart are still alive. Don't give up! In a Pickle:

- * Why are you facing so much push back? Open up communications. Stay calm and cool. Don't take any of this personally.
- * Confusing situation. Take a step back to evaluate. There's no rush.

>>NINE OF SWORDS <<

Your fears, anxiety, and worries are robbing you of sleep. Cruel, scary creatures of the night play out all sorts of scenarios you are terrified of. Are you finding yourself in a destructive tunnel of quicksand? Breathe.... Check whether any of these scenarios are actually true. Focus on the Light at the end of your nightcap and trust that you are taken care of. You are not responsible for all this stuff (alone). In a Pickle:

- * Don't take on a bushel of scorpions if you don't have to. Set clear boundaries and protect your own interests.
- * Shame, guilt, hate. Ugh! Take some time off. You need a (mental) vacation, stat!

>>> TEN OF SWORDS <<

What a relief! This is it finally! You are done with this!. The balloon has burst. The final straw had been drawn. Say sayonara to painful entanglements, obsessions, addictions, keeping up a fake happy face. Ending things might hurt for a while but the feeling of liberation is well worth it. You are ready to move on and start afresh.

In a Pickle:

- * Holding onto a painful situation by a bare thread cause you are so afraid of the unknown. Let it go. You will feel so much better.
- * Don't hold your breath, speak your truth.

>>PAGE OF SWORDS <<

Good evening Page of Swords! (He is not a morning person:) You are intuitive, smart and super excited about all your new ideas. You are a rebel with a cause, an avid reader, an enthusiastic thinker. Shall we turn all that thinking/talking/debating into something productive? Let's make a clear plan. Let's design a new way. Innovating is fun. Inspiration is where it is at. However let's avoid the temptation to relish conflict and arguments, OK? Let's stay cool, let's stay in school.

In a Pickle:

- * Sharp criticism, conflicts, confrontation, arguments. You don't need to bite someone's head off to get your idea across.
- * Just because someone doesn't agree with you doesn't mean you're wrong. Get grounded and solid about your own ideas.

>>KNIGHT OF SWORDS**<**

Hail the Master of the Dragon Race, bearer of truth! You are so splendid! You bring valuable brilliant clarity, insight, and perspective to all conversations. You are quick witted, eloquent, fearless, a change maker. Woohooo! Let's fly high where the air is thin and no ordinary humans dare to venture! When you are on a mission, your focus is crystal clear. There is no stopping you. You will get things done in record time. Bravo! In a Pickle:

- * Your approach is too icy, too sharp, too critical. Or maybe you're playing mind games—which nobody enjoys.
- * Don't rush things. You're going so fast you're knocking things over!

>»QUEEN OF SWORDS <

Hello, Queen of whip-smart intelligence and brilliance! You are savvy, skillful, clever, rational and pragmatic. You are accomplished, you are at the top of your game. You know all the rules and you count only on yourself. You are your own boss. You know how to play to your best advantage. You also guide others to negotiate the most favorable solution for their concerns, so they can too be their best, independent selves.

You might be a touch too practical in a relationship. Candlelit date nights are not likely to be an option with

you. Oh, are you working late again?

In a Pickle:

- * Are you critical, unfriendly or calculating? You're calling it "practical," but that's not what it looks like from over here.
- * Are you lonely in your steel tower? Use your skills to connect, not to separate.
- "Off with their heads!" might not be the best solution, even if you think they deserve it.

>>>KING OF SWORDS<

Hello James! (Yes, James Bond!) Ahh, you are so super brilliant, competent, analytical, rational. You know how to get an objective read on any situation and find the best way forward. Nothing phases you. You are the best adviser anyone can have. But you usually keep your distance. Your admirers won't get the wrong idea of expecting to be wooed or become best buds with you. You are easy going enough in a relationship but emotional involvement is not on the menu. However mastermind plans, martinis and gambling are... In a Pickle:

- * Are you aloof or stubborn or even cruel?
- * Constant doubt or indecision lowers your chances of winning the game.

« PENTACLES ~

Pentacles are associated with the EARTH element. Earth is steady, grounding, solid, dependable. Think about how the earth below your feet nurtures all the trees and plants. The earth also hides precious stones, minerals and other natural resources. The earth feeds us and holds us and all of our stuff, too. In the suit of Pentacles, earth energy represents all the layers of physical manifestation: your body, your health, your finances, your belongings. Earth can be soft and nourishing and sensuous. Or it can be hard as a rock, infertile, stubborn and insensitive.

➤ Embracing all the gifts I have I invest in my life's work with zest! I call on you to manifest sweet abundance, health, wealth, success! All we create with fortitude, I cherish with gratitude. ₹

≪ACE OF PENTACLES **₹**

It is a windfall! It is a Divine Shower of Abundance and you are invited! You will only need your umbrella to collect more of the blessings and rewards. Wear your favorite outfit and savor the flavor of your lucky break. Take this opportunity to create more money, more influence, a new relationship. Be open to receive a lovely gift. Life is good right now! Let gratitude warm your Bunny Heart of Hearts. Feel free to infuse your walk with some happy hopping!

In a Pickle:

- * Are you being greedy? Are you focusing on materialistic aspects alone?
- * Don't spend all your money in one place or max out your credit card.
- * Whatever you're expecting will be delayed or won't show up at all.

≪TWO OF PENTACLES

What will you choose? How do you plan to steward your wealth and health? Decide wisely, Baby Cakes. On the card, you see an ouroboros combined with the infinity symbol. This suggests the never ending process of becoming, cycles, ups, and downs, forever change. All possibilities are present. What are the two sides of the coin/story right now? You do have options. There is no right or wrong choice (only different ones). Go with the flow of your intuition. Stay open, adoptive, light, playful and you will succeed.

In a Pickle:

- Inconsistency, fickleness, uncertainty, indecisiveness. Please level up your game. Write a list of ways to get organized.
- * Don't make an extreme decision, all right? Peace of mind should be a priority.

«♦THREE OF PENTACLES **~**

Three seeds have sprouted and have grown into three beautiful saplings. Their interlacing roots have been supporting each other thru the growth process. Each seed has been contributing diligently, supplying nutrients to the new roots. They all benefited from pitching in. Good progress Seed Babies! Congrats on your achievement and the great teamwork! Let's keep on growing!

In a Pickle:

- * Aimlessness, non-productive attitude. If you're not feeling it, make a change.
- * Struggling to cooperate, backstabbing, projects getting bogged down, buried at work.
- * Seeds you planted aren't sprouting. Maybe the conditions (or attitudes) aren't right.
- * Watch out! There's a mole! :)

Good, solid setup you have there wealthy Merchant Squirrel. You have been working diligently and now you are all set. The resources you have accumulated are never out of your sight. You are in the lap of luxury, feeling all comfy in your furs. You are the king of your safe zone castle. Yup! You are well prepared for all eventualities. Good for you!

In a Pickle:

- * Clinging onto a setup that isn't a fit. Did you think it would save you from the unpleasant or the unexpected?
- * Why are you holding back, restricting your growth? Get out of your comfort zone. You'll be glad you did.
- * You've provided for someone else and now you're burned out! Why did you think this was your job?
- * Inflexibility, stubbornness.

≪FIVE OF PENTACLES <

Oh no! The situation or shall we say crisis, looks pretty serious for Hansel and Gretel. They are lost in the woods (after their parents deserted them to save on their living expenses. Yes, that is the original version of the tale). These poor kids are hungry and heartbroken. Gretel just knocked her feet on a rock and now it is bleeding.....Bad fortune keep piling up at every turn! This is what it feels like when you are way out of your comfort zone. You recognize that you don't belong. How will you handle this situation? What would Hansel and Gretel do? Even though the witch's gingerbread house is close by, it will take quite a bit of ingenuity and some time to get their life on track again. But Hansel and Gretel have what it takes and so do you. If you figure out what it is exactly that is not working for you and find a new approach, you can find your way and your tribe again.

In a Pickle:

- * Getting hopelessly entangled in a hopeless situation. Double-hopeless, okay?
- * "No" means "no"!
- * Don't hold onto those who don't want to hang out with you. Your people are out there waiting for you.

≪SIX OF PENTACLES

It is time for a Pentacle Pie Picnic! Yum, yum! You are amongst friends and there is plenty for everyone to eat. All is well, and everyone is happy with their share of the abundance. Good planning and lot of (team) work have turned a goal into a huge success. Now everyone can have a portion of the resulting bounty. In a Pickle:

- * One-sided expectations about being taken care of. Someone isn't pulling their weight and is still expecting to benefit.
- * Being selfish, hoarding.
- * Choosing not to reach out when you're able to lend a helping hand.

≪SEVEN OF PENTACLES <

Farmer Bunny went to the market and bought a miracle growth potion to use in his garden. It promised to make seeds to turn into fruit in 3 days or your money back. Eye roll!...I know you want this to work so bad, but please give it some time. It takes time to grow anything, be patient. No use pushing ahead now. Wait and see if this is the right strategy.

In a Pickle:

- * Once your plans have wilted, there's no point in hoping it ain't so. See if you can figure out the real, underlying problem instead of covering it all up with Band-Aids.
- * You know what they say about the "watched pot"? It never boils!
- * Blockage of any kind. Chill, relax, re-evaluate.

It is the height of the harvest season. The Ant family is industriously collecting food for the cold winter months. They are planning ahead for the long term. Follow their example get down to creating a sustainable strategy that will serve you in the months and years ahead. Work hard, be prudent. In a Pickle:

- * All your bones are lazy, so you're a Lazy Bones.
- * Short-term, get-rich-quick plans that won't work. This isn't the time to take a risk. Choose safe and steady.

≪NINE OF PENTACLES

Your hard work and genuine effort have paid off. You have created inner and outer wealth in your life. Anything you wish for can be yours. Enjoy the Magical Flower Spirits' dance, they are celebrating with you. In a Pickle:

- * Workaholic attitude, a never-good-enough mindset.
- * You think you're thrifty but why are they calling you Scrooge?!

≪TEN OF PENTACLES

You have achieved it all. Maximum prosperity, abundance, security are all yours. Appreciate all the wealth around you.

In a Pickle:

- * All those riches don't mean a thing if you're still unhappy.
- * Actually, all those riches and traditions feel like chains.

≪PAGE OF PENTACLES

Greetings Hunter Girl! Are you a Fox Spirit or are you human? You know the rules of the forest and the ways of the farmers. You know how to survive in any situation. You are warm, loving and curious. You are a hard worker, eager to learn more and find ways to make your dreams a reality. You know you have a long way to go (from acorn to oak), but the journey is the funnest part, right? Take what is on offer now and make the best of it. This opportunity will be lucrative long term engagement for you.

In a Pickle:

- * Are you fixated on what money can buy? Only pricey, brand name stuff will do? No matter how expensive, there's always something even more expensive out there that you don't have. This stuff is never gonna make you happy.
- * Are you too cool for school?! Why? Figure out the real reason for your choice.

≪KNIGHT OF PENTACLES <

Top of the morning to you Knight of Pentacles. You have been out on the fields since the crack of dawn tending to the land. You are so energetic, consistent/persistent and down to earth. The crops and all our people can count on you taking care of them. You see all your plans thru all the way. Capitalizing on your staying power is your game. Commitment is your forte. Becoming more and more prosperous is what makes your heart sing.

In a Pickle:

- * Being uncreative, stubborn or doing a sloppy slob.
- * Being neglectful, making a mess.
- * You are just not interested. Why are you here, then?

≪QUEEN OF PENTACLES

How are you sweet Queen Mama? You are the beautiful, dedicated and patient caretaker of all your charges. You nourish everyone and everyone loves you in return. You have the ultimate green thumb. Your lush garden is overflowing with fruits and vegetables. You are Artemis, Goddess of the hunt and the forests. You are loyal, trustworthy and realistic. You love food, cooking, getting dressed up. You are the Queen of your home but you are also a super talented businesswoman. Your grounded, smart, dedicated, practical ways are prized in all areas of life.

In a Pickle:

- * Meaningless drudgery or overwork. Give yourself a break. You don't have to do this all by yourself.
- * Don't let retail therapy get out of hand. Even small purchases can add up.
- ★ Do you have a mean or overwhelming mother? Make your boundaries clear. This is your life.
- * You are trying too hard. Step back. Relax into being.

≪KING OF PENTACLES

Hello Daddy-O! Is that gold dust on your Cheerios?! But actually, I doubt you ever eat cereal. Luxury category foods and fine wines are more like it for you. Some say you have the Midas touch. Your wealth and resources are a result of long years of hard work tho. You have built your empire from the ground up so you have tons of hands-on experience. Your business and other decisions are always down to earth. People who work for you appreciate the security you guarantee them. Even the Crown Holder Kittens can count on a great pension plan. You are the ultimate provider for your family as well. You make a great dad and a faithful partner as well. In a Pickle:

- * A my-way-or-the-highway attitude will leave you with no friends.
- * Buying, buying, hoarding, hoarding!? Time to spark some joy!
- * Are you throwing your weight around just because you can? Are you a gorilla?!
- * Your shirt is so tightly buttoned it hurts to see. How do you breathe? Lighten up your hard-line convictions.

>⊙EXTRA CARDS⊙ ←



>Embrace your Inner Child <

Your Inner Child lives in your Innermost, deepest Heart Space. Hopefully this innermost Heart Space is not so far away that you never visit. This Child is the most creative and most vulnerable part of yourself. See how inspired her style is? Mushroom hat (cute, warm, protective and noise cancelling), 'fresh as a daisy' collar, super bright, comfy outfit with leggings (for all sorts of play activities, jumping and climbing). Her dress has a pocket too! What does she keep in there?! It is something precious and fun. Something she treasures and loves. What is it? How old is she? Ask! Your Inner Child wants to be with you, she needs to be assured that you (now as a strong, capable adult) are in charge of your life. She can relax and do what she is best at: playing and creating. When this card comes up, it is an invitation to visit your deepest Heart of Hearts. Come inside and see this Child part of your Heart. He/she needs to hear that you are always there for her, love her, will never abandon her. Confirm that your are willing to let her Light shine thru in your life via play and creative action.

>Things are easier than you think<

Yup. Get out of your head. Lift up your arms. Vigorously draw a few big heart shapes in the air and make this declaration in a loud voice. See if any new ideas spring up. We are all cheering you on!

%Yes�

You got this! WOW! Your wish has been granted! Your Blossom Kitten Guardian Spirit just sprung up and out from an enchanted, orange-pink flower blossom amidst a symphony of bells. Her tail is sprouting a Magical Flower too! You have done it! You have been showing up on your own behalf. Yay! How delightful! You have created this Magic! Enjoy!

>You Are Free <

Yes, you are. You can choose anything you want at any moment (within the laws/and boundaries of the know universe such as gravity and stuff). Of course there are consequences to every choice but YOU are in charge, U PICK! What will it be? Strawberries or apples or you can just keep driving and not pick anything right now cause you have other things to do or you are not ready. Whatever you decide, it is not good/bad. Any choice is fine, it will just take you down a DIFFERENT PATH. Where do you want to go? Wherever you go, there you are!