



Cheatsheet - keywords of the 78 tarot cards (updated on November 7th, 2022)

Interpretations according to my view on the tarot, as exposed in my blog *Tarot Daily - An apprenticeship*.

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Meanings in red are for cards in reverse or in an obstacle position.

Court Cards can represent a person in your life with those characteristics; you; or an event.



Major Arcana

- 0 - The Fool** The traveller. Beginnings, freedom, trust, innocence, spontaneity, adventure **R: Foolish choices, recklessness, foolishness, irresponsibility, being aimless**
- 1 - The Magician** Yang. Conscious and manifesting power, talent, realizing your potential, action, focus, talent, willpower **A: Not using your potential, hidden talents, manipulation, lack of focus**
- 2 - The High Priestess** Yin. Wisdom, intuition, unconscious, secret, mystery, reflection, inaction **R: Excessive passivity, difficulty opening up or telling secrets, deceit, coldness, aloofness**
- 3 - The Empress** Mother. Gestation, abundance, fertility, creativity, beauty, sensuality, pleasure, connection to nature **R: Infertility, creative blocks, suppressing emotion or pleasure, poverty**
- 4 - The Emperor** Dad. Authority, leadership, order, structure, rules, planning, power, solidity, firmness **R: Lack of leadership or planning, oppression, tyranny, abuse of power, rigidity**
- 5 - The Hierophant** Teacher. Conform, follow community traditions and values, educate yourself, teach, marry, have faith, morality **R: Rebellion, non-traditional behavior and ideas, fanaticism**
- 6 - The Lovers** Making choices, determining personal values, intimacy, love, relationships, commitment **R: Indecision, unsatisfactory choices, difficulty in relationships or in love**
- 7 - The Chariot** Victory, success, self-confidence, willpower, discipline, ambition, courage, overcoming obstacles, travel **R: Difficulty maintaining energy, stagnation, no way out, inflated ego**
- 8 - Strength** Inner strength, patience, tolerance, compassion, gentle control, courage, self-confidence **R: Weakness, being out of control, fear, uncontrolled emotion, destructive instincts**
- 9 - The Hermit** Introspection, seeking wisdom, truth, understanding, direction; to guide or be guided **R: Extreme seclusion, lack of wisdom and direction, little self-knowledge**
- 10 - Wheel of Fortune** Luck, opportunity, turnaround, change for the better, destiny, cycles, karma **R: Stagnation, bad luck, instability, fighting unavoidable events**
- 11 - Justice** Act justly and ethically, take responsibility for your actions, weigh pros and cons, law, victory in legal matters **A: Injustice, legal complications, imbalance, unwise decisions**
- 12 - The Hanged Man** Spiritual initiation, suspending action, changing point-of-view, acceptance, sacrifice, resignation **R: Resistance to the inevitable, fear of letting go and accepting change**
- 13 - Death** Transition, transformation, change, renewal, ending a cycle or phase **R: Stagnation, lethargy, refusing to accept change, delays in plans, fear of death or change**
- 14 - Temperance** Balance, patience, calm, cooperation, adaptation, harmony, synthesis, moderation, healing **R: Imbalance, impatience, intolerance, excess, disharmony, fear of conflict**
- 15 - The Devil** Feeling trapped, ignorance, addiction, excessive materialism, obsession, envy, jealousy **R: Freeing yourself from: an addiction, fear, an abusive situation or excessive materialism**
- 16 - The Tower** Sudden and unexpected rupture, chaos, revelation, disorder, crisis, liberation, purification **R: Avoiding major changes, imprisonment, illusion, inflated ego, preserve a facade**
- 17 - The Star** Hope, faith, optimism, inspiration, peace, calm, regeneration, gratitude, well-being, dreams come true **R: Pessimism, insecurity, sadness, discomfort, fear, weakness**
- 18 - The Moon** Enhanced imagination and emotion, dreaming, fantasizing, disorientation, intuition, psychic abilities **R: Deluding yourself, living a fantasy, inability to deal with the unconscious**
- 19 - The Sun** Joy, success, clarity, enthusiasm, optimism, vitality, self-confidence **R: Difficulty seeing the bright side of things, lack of enthusiasm and joy, hiding your light**
- 20 - Judgment** Rebirth, renewal, following an inner calling, liberation, reappraisal, forgiveness **R: Making a wrong judgement or call, not answering an inner calling, not forgiving, false prophets**
- 21 - The World** Fulfillment, mission accomplished, success, wisdom, completion, celebration, freedom **R: Stagnation, project delays, not completing something, not learning lessons**

Wands - Energy, action, creation, ambition, inspiration, passion. Element: Fire.

- Ace** New opportunities, fresh start, enthusiasm, creativity, courage, inspiration, adventure, virility **R: Wrong beginnings, delays and difficulties, lack of inspiration**
- 2** Personal power, vision, leadership, enthusiasm, willingness to explore and to take risks, dilemma, travel **R: Delays and frustrations in plans or trips, lack of vision, fear of exploring**
- 3** Success, good development of plans, courage, ability, expanding horizons, vision, leadership, travel **R: Delays and difficulties in projects, competition, sabotage, fear**
- 4** Celebration (wedding, graduation, family reunion), happiness, harvest time **R: Deferred celebration or harvest, family tension, instability, leaving home**
- 5** Fights, disagreement, dispute, struggle, competition, conflict of interests **R: End of disagreements and conflicts, period of harmony, dialogue, cooperation, negotiation**
- 6** Victory, achievement, feeling pride, leadership, receiving: recognition, award, promotion, honor or praise **R: Frustrations, obstacles, defeat, dishonor, abandoning a cause**
- 7** Assertiveness, courage, determination, fighting the good fight, defending your convictions and positions **R: Giving up fighting for what you believe in, succumbing to external pressure**
- 8** Progress happening fast, movement, dynamism, acceleration, good news on the way, trip **R: Stagnation, slowing down, projects paused, trip canceled**
- 9** Resilience, determination, perseverance, defending yourself and your achievements, being on the defensive **R: Lack of strength or energy, tiredness, paranoia, vulnerability, stubbornness**
- 10** Being overworked, taking on too much responsibility, carrying a burden, being stressed and tired **R: Releasing a burden, saying no to an overwhelming situation, courage**
- Page** Person: creative, enthusiastic, confident, optimistic, courageous. New idea, message or offer **R: Person: rebellious, immature, impulsive. Disappointing news on the way**
- Knight** Person: enthusiastic, adventurous, courageous, confident, daring, passionate. Change of city or country **R: Person: reckless, temperamental, combative. Delays**
- Queen** Person: Radiant, magnetic, assertive, with power of attraction and lots of energy. Creative projects **R: Person: domineering, bossy, envious, arrogant, envious, bitter. Delays in projects**
- King** Person: enterprising, successful, competent, dynamic, charismatic, with leadership and personal power **R: Person: impatient, intolerant, strict, controlling, arrogant**

Cups - Emotions, feelings, love, relationships, imagination, intuition, creativity. Element: Water.

Ace New love, beginning a romance, opening your heart, establishing deep bonds, emotional strength **R: Disappointment, emotional disappointment, fear of opening heart**
2 New love, attraction, harmonious and balanced partnership (love, friend, partner), cooperation, reconciliation **R: Disagreement (love, friend or partner); lack of dialogue, rejection**
3 Celebration, fun, joy, good friendships, being part of a group, fertility, creativity, progress **R: Disappointment with friends, lack of support, isolation, being left out**
4 Discontent, withdrawal, boredom, apathy, stagnation, lack of motivation, indifference, introspection **R: Getting rid of boredom and apathy, renewed motivation, accepting an offer**
5 Disappointment, suffering a loss or a deception, regret, sadness, guilt, shame, grief **R: Recovering from a difficult time, forgiving, moving on, starting over**
6 Generosity, kindness, good will, giving or receiving a gift, going back to the past, childhood **R: Nostalgia, clinging to the past, memories and bad news from the past, falsehood**
7 Having too many options, indecision, harboring illusions, fantasizing, daydreaming, lack of focus **R: Situation starts to become clearer, making choices, putting your feet on the ground**
8 Leaving an outdated situation behind and moving on, looking for meaning, abandoning old patterns **R: Not being ready to get out of a situation, putting off a journey, stagnating**
9 Fulfilled desire, happiness, abundance, emotional satisfaction, taking pleasure, generosity, fruition **R: Desire will not be fulfilled, over-indulgence, greed, laziness, addictions**
10 Family happiness and togetherness, joy, harmony, love, peace, security, marriage, children, new house **R: Family disagreement or dispute, lack of support at home, end of friendship**
Page Person: emotional, sensitive, intuitive, kind, dreamy, generous. Emotional message or new love **R: Person: emotionally childish, naive, immature. Frustrations**
Knight Person: romantic, emotional, idealistic, seductive, diplomatic, dreamer. Invitation or love proposal **R: Person: emotionally unavailable, manipulative, jealous. Lack of proposal**
Queen Person: loving, empathic, sensitive, intuitive, psychic, creative, artistic. Maternity. **R: Person: emotionally unstable, codependent, drained, repressed**
King Person: generous, wise, empathetic, tolerant, diplomatic, loving, stable. Paternity. **R: Person: emotionally unstable and unavailable, does not express emotions**

Swords - Reason, intellect, mind, logic, thoughts, communication. Element: Air.

Ace Act with truth and justice, use intellect, new ideas, insights, overcome obstacles, victory **R: Mental confusion, conflict, verbal aggression, blocking, stress, dishonesty**
2 Impasse, indecision, denial, avoiding the truth, hiding emotions, isolation **R: Making a decision, accepting a painful truth, coming out of denial, agreements reached**
3 Sadness, disappointment, betrayal, heartache, suffering, pain, rejection, end of a relationship **R: End of a period of sadness, recovery, reconciliation, forgiving, healing the pain**
4 Rest period, recovery, strengthening, contemplation, peace, healing, retreat, honor **R: Return to activity, anxiety, agitation, lack of rest, stress, dishonor**
5 Defeat, conflict, dishonor, discord, threat, dishonest victory, hostility, selfishness, power struggle **R: End of conflict, truce, freedom from oppression, peace, forgiveness, amnesty**
6 Coming out of a difficult situation, change for the better, transition, moving, travel (by water), peace **R: Feeling stuck in a bad situation, stagnation, delay, travel postponed**
7 Stealing, cheating, lying, betraying, running away from responsibility or the truth, self-deception, false friends **R: Making amends, punishment, discovering a lie or secret, confessing**
8 Being or feeling restricted, powerless, paralyzed or limited; fear, guilt, oppression, prison **R: Freeing yourself from fear and restrictions, seeing a light at the end of the tunnel, having clarity**
9 Excessive worry, anxiety, distress, guilt, regret, tension, fear, depression, insomnia **R: Overcoming a difficult or traumatic event, calming the mind, relief**
10 Hitting rock bottom, end of cycle/relationship/job, pain, bitter defeat, ruin, burnout **R: Seeing the light at the end of the tunnel, recover, starting over, healing**
Page Person: honest, analytical, observant, investigative, gossip. Search for the truth, legal defense. **R: Person: cowardly, vindictive, doesn't face facts and doesn't tell the truth**
Knight Person: intelligent, brave, direct, insistent, assertive, incisive, impatient, aggressive **R: Person: always ready to fight, abusive, dishonest, arrogant, cruel**
Queen Person: fair, intelligent, rational, incisive, astute, truthful, demanding, strong, harsh **R: Person: critical, dogmatic, rigid, bitter, intolerant, domineering, cold, ruthless**
King Person: fair, impartial, ethical, truthful, intelligent, articulate, powerful, rational **R: Person: harsh, calculating, insensitive, cruel, cynical, unfair, manipulative, arrogant**

Pentacles - Matter, finance, money, resources, body, health, home, work, nature, senses. Element: Earth.

Ace New financial or material opportunity, prosperity, abundance, wealth, success, health **R: Lack of prosperity or opportunity, overspending, debt, greed**
2 Financial decisions, balancing multiple tasks and responsibilities at the same time, being flexible, flowing **R: Financial imbalance, instability, irresponsibility, disorganization**
3 Teamwork, cooperation, synergy, developing skills, competence, planning **R: Mediocre work, lack of cooperation, conflict with co-workers**
4 Accumulation, attachment to possessions, possessiveness, being controlling, preventing change, financial stability, material comfort **R: Financial insecurity, overspending, bankruptcy**
5 Difficult times, losses, financial and material difficulties, insecurity, emotional suffering **R: Better times, recovering home or job, receiving help, starting over**
6 Giving or receiving (help, money, goods), generosity, sharing, charity, profit, codependency **R: Unfair distribution of money or inheritance, selfishness, help withheld, scams**
7 Potential success, you will reap what you sow, work will be rewarded soon, assessing and evaluating progress, persevering **R: Poor harvests, investment with no desired return, bad business**
8 Dedication to work, discipline, focus, continuous improvement, skill, satisfaction, care, profit **R: Imperfect work, little effort, job dissatisfaction, laziness**
9 Financial security, enjoying the fruits of work, independence, discipline, wealth, self-confidence **R: Financial insecurity, not appreciating what you have, envy, consumerism**
10 Wealth, success, security, happy family, inheritance, stability, following traditional conventions and values **R: Family disharmony, financial insecurity, not following traditions**
Page Person: studious, dedicated, practical, curious, trustworthy, optimistic. New financial opportunities. **R: Person: lazy, unmotivated, frustrated. Does not reach goals**
Knight Person: hardworking, steady, detail-oriented, focused, determined, reliable, cautious. Good seeds **R: Person: irresponsible, stubborn, inflexible. Low productivity**
Queen Person: generous, realistic, secure, stable, efficient, practical, nurturing, motherly. Good leadership **R: Person: greedy, dependent, selfish, unstable, insecure. Bad boss**
King Person: prosperous, enterprising, strong, stable, secure, benevolent. Midas Touch. Good deal **R: Person: materialistic, selfish, financially unstable. Bad deal**