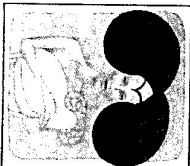


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ARIES December promises to be a smooth month, characterized by your ability to work hard and place your energy and abilities at the service of others. It is an excellent time for working on organizational details and streamlining the work process. It is also a good time for helping around at home, and you can expect really good cooperation in all spheres, which will enhance success both at work and in your domestic life. However in the first week of December there are some irritation factors that particularly affect communication amongst colleagues. Most likely people have bitten off more than they can chew, and this means extra work for you. There can also be disagreements because people insist on ideas which you consider unrealistic. In your love life this is a month when it is the practical expression of affection that is important. Partners may be going through a crisis period early in the month, and having you to fall back on will be valuable.



TAURUS At the end of November and the beginning of December, you go through quite an intense process as you consider your options for the future and try to decide where to commit your energy. Ambitions are high and you would like to expand your knowledge and insight through study or travel. To do this you may need to abandon a course of action that is unrealistic or time consuming. In partnership matters December promises to be a harmonious month when you derive a great deal of satisfaction from partners and children. It is a wonderful time for constructive creative projects, for travel – especially for love – and for visiting distant relatives too. Relationships are made more concrete now and practical arrangements will have good results in the long term.



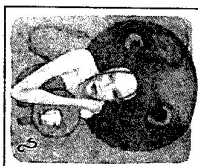
GEMINI With the lunar eclipse falling in your sign on December 10th the focus is very much on relationships, both on an intimate level and with people from far afield too. With some people it seems you have to go out on a limb and this will ultimately stretch your patience farther than you want to go. There seems to be too much discussion or argument and possibly you feel criticized, especially on the domestic front. It helps to extricate yourself from complicated relationships that are going nowhere, and entrust yourself to realistic and stable partners and friends, who keep you down to earth. Christmas promises to be fun, and you meet a lot of people. Yet there is an undercurrent of anxiety, perhaps you feel anxious about money spent, perhaps other people have issues that you need to deal with. Don't promise too much, or you will spend your time running errands for other people. Take your cue from partners, who adopt a low profile and stay down to earth.



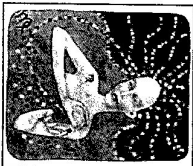
CANCER This is a period of considerable absorption in your working life, and stress factors are rather high early in December. It is crucial that you do not allow communication to be disrupted by displays of irritation, and that you do not get provoked by fussy colleagues. The lunar eclipse on the 10th highlights the amazing amount of mental energy you are investing in getting your working life to function whilst you also strive to find a spiritual balance. If you can develop ways of calming the mind, this would be very helpful – yoga, meditation, sports etc. all serve to channel energy in the right direction. There is a strong focus on harmonious partnerships this month, but there are practical goals to be reached and a very hard-working ethic which really produces concrete results. When Christmas comes along it is definitely time to relax and enjoy the company of friends, who may come from afar to visit you.

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LEO December is an outgoing and successful month for you when your playful and creative sides come to the fore. The solar eclipse on the 10th highlights your involvement in groups and the balance you have to find in expressing what is unique about you with tuning in to what is important for the group. This is not done without a certain amount of stress and strain. This is a very constructive period for your economy. You work extremely well with ambitious colleagues, and as a team concrete progress can be made. Sometimes you may feel that the work you do is too routine and there is a strong urge to promote your own creative agenda. Finding a balance between your creativity and serving others is the challenge, and you need to help people with good grace, rather than irritation. When Christmas comes along there is a sense of achievement and a job well done. You will probably be able to boast of a professional success at this time.



VIRGO The month of December gets off to a rather rocky start, as the complexities of projects that you have got yourself involved with threaten to stress you out – especially if you have made ambitious domestic plans. There are simply so many details that need to be looked after. You are ready and willing, and have plenty of energy, but the power to concentrate on one thing at a time may not be there. By mid-December a turning point is reached and you are on top of things again. Significant developments at home and your career depend on you being able to untangle the threads and simplify goals. Long discussions and a readjustment of original goals help you on the path to clarity and simplicity. Loved ones tend to be supportive and help you out on a practical level. Christmas is a wonderful time for adventure and play and for getting involved with kids too. Relatives from abroad may visit, or you may wish to travel to foreign territory yourself. The indications are that something exciting will happen over Christmas which can make this period a little out of the ordinary. You are likely to be extremely busy in the home.



LIBRA You enter the month of December with expansive developments in your home and family life, and there is a determination on your part to make your dreams for the future a reality, perhaps because you are able to access the finance to do so. Domestic transformation may require some drastic moves and a complete reorganization, but it is worth it. Partners are very supportive in helping you with practical domestic arrangements early in the month. There is a sense of harmony and working together for a common goal. Just before Christmas your sign ruler Venus moves into social Aquarius and this evokes a far less serious and much more fun-loving side of your nature. It is time to party, and you spend a lot of money getting prepared. Live now pay later may be your philosophy, but it's fun. Your home becomes the center of many a family drama at this time and there is both great happiness and considerable upset as unforeseen developments bring about a change of plan. By now you are used to the fact that partnership and family are full of surprises.



SCORPIO You are in a period when you are committed to social projects, working with groups and generally being there for your friends. It is an extremely constructive time when you make yourself invaluable through your helpfulness and your organizational abilities. You are entering phase two here in early December, and this is the time when troubles begin. Perhaps this is because of people who have had great plans but no sense of reality, which means that you have to play the role of spoilsport, pointing out what is practical and what is not. Fortunately you have great support from partners, who stand fully behind you and help you retain a sense of diplomacy. You remain grounded and practical and have no intention of letting your plans be derailed. There may also be important financial considerations at this time, and you need to guard against extravagance... it can be difficult to extricate yourself from rash promises for example. A very exciting person turns up in your home when Christmas comes along, bringing a breath of fresh air from the big, wide world and some pretty extravagant spending habits too.