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A blue moon occurs on May 21, and Mercury remains in retrograde until May 22. Expect disturbances in the areas of communication and clear thinking. Madame G suggests finishing any lingering projects. Don't take anything too seriously — it'll pass. As Jimmy Dean said: "I can't change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust my sails to always reach my destination."

Aries (March 21-April 19)

The Aries spirit is full of passion and drive with a tendency to childlike behaviors. You love fiercely while throwing equally violent fits. Don't be ashamed. Your character may be summarized in one great literary figure: Achilles. His rage and love burns a kingdom to the ground. Meditate, dear Aries, you gain more from conscious action than reaction.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

According to the Barnes and Noble reading site, L.M Montgomery's character Anne Shirley, from *Anne of Green Gables* is a true Tauran. That red-head has grit. She's loyal to the core, with a tendency toward stubbornness. But, she's very good hearted. This month, you may wish to curb your obstinate streak. With Mercury in retrograde, it'll only work against you. Madame G suggests you soften your tongue and listen.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

Jane Austen wrote that Emma Woodhouse was a character only she could love. Emma is a sweet-tempered girl who is self-admittedly rich and beautiful. You're beloved by many and envied just as strongly — you're aware. Madame G suggests watching any tendency toward grandiose thinking. You may wish to evaluate your thought process. You're not always right. Know thyself.

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Cancer (June 21-July 22)

Perhaps the quintessential Cancer spirit is Rhett Butler from *Gone with the Wind*. He's a loyal and giving husband, until he finally gives up in one iconic line: "Frankly, my dear, I don't give a damn." You're as petty and jealous as you are creative and kind. No one wants to catch you on a bad day. Madame G suggests practicing compassion. Don't cut off your nose to spite your face.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

You're charming and engaging. This is demonstrated best in Elizabeth Bennett from Jane Austen's novel *Pride and Prejudice*. She's admired and loved for her lively personality. Even her severest critic, Mr. Darcy, admits he's drawn to her lively personality. And as Darcy learned, never insult a Leo's pride over their appearance. But they don't hold a grudge for long. Even though Elizabeth was insulted by a slight, she just as easily laughed it off. Liven it up!

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

IThe Virgo spirit is intelligent, fastidious, and analytical, much like Sherlock Holmes — you're in good company. Although you may be shy or quiet at times, that doesn't mean your mind isn't active. You're either plotting to kill us or save us all. Madame G suggests stepping back, putting the kitchen knife down, and walking away. You'll want to keep sharp-tongued comebacks to a minimum, as well, or you'll risk offending the whole room.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct.22)

You're one of the most charming signs in the zodiac and your sense of justice might just be your crown of glory. Your literary character archetype is none other than Atticus Finch from *To Kill a Mockingbird*

. He fights for justice, despite extreme backlash and societal pressure. Like you, the challenges

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don't waver his sense of justice. You're a fierce champion for good. Madame G salutes you!

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

It's no surprise, dear Scorpio, that your literary heroine is Jo March from Louisa May Alcott's novel, *Little Women*. She was a woman ahead of her time. Brave and smart, she forged a literary career, despite the limitations on her gender at that time. She also refused to settle for anything less than true love. She refuses marriage with a wealthy man and lives according to her own rules. Take a page from her book and don't accept anything less than what you truly want. You will achieve it!

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You live for no one — you're a rebel through and through. Adventure is the name of your path. Much like Tom Sawyer, the Sagittarian is fiercely independent. He wants one thing: freedom. There isn't a wall that will hold the indomitable Tom, or any silly societal conventions, such as bathing for that matter. Be bold dear Sagittarius, your adventure awaits. Live free!

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

The nimble goat is hardheaded, tenacious, brave, and stubborn. No doubt, you've been called foolish a time or two. This may often serve you well, but Madame G suggests caution at this time — it may work against you. Consider your literary twin, St. John Rivers from Charlotte Bronte's novel, *Jane Eyre*. He gave up marriage to the woman he loved in pursuit of his passion, and then worked himself into an early grave. Live wisely!

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

The Aquarian spirit is equal parts intellectual with some serious depth in the middle. You're capable of incredible insight into the human condition, while you possess childlike wonder and

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naiveté. You're much like the character Marius Pontmercy from Victor Hugo's novel, *Les Miserables*

. Madame G suggests you stop and consider your motives before making any decisions. You don't want to harm a loved one over some warped sense of morality.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Perhaps you're best summed up as Luna Lovegood from J.K. Rolling's *Harry Potter* series. You're a free spirit with incredible depths of emotion and perception. You also display curious childlike wonder and naiveté. Consider pursuing something substantial, such as Unicorn hunting, or Sasquatch droppings analysis. Go nuts! Who knows what you'll find.