

Dream BIG this month with Leo the lion's help. The planet of communication (Mercury) lingers in Virgo. This lends credibility and logic to large projects. Madame G recommends using your resources. Get creative and be kind toward friends, family, and co-workers. Consider John Steinbeck's wise words from *Of Mice And Men*: "Maybe ever'body in the whole damn world is scared of each other." Give more than you take.

Aries (March 21-April 19)

Fear is the greatest enemy of the mind and spirit. Bravery is not the opposite or lack of fear, it's merely resilience and persistence combined. In Emily Bronte's novel *Wuthering Heights*, Lockwood, proclaims: "Terror made me cruel!" Don't let your fear prevent you from living or sharing yourself with another. You must show love to receive it. Live well!

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

In the cult show, *Firefly*, Zoe Washburne says: "I ain't so afraid of losing something that I ain't goanna try to have it." Are you grappling with this sentiment? Maybe you're in a struggle for what you want and the fear of losing it. Don't back down from your personal power because no one can devalue you. Remember that fortune favors the bold in life and in love. Good luck!

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

You're probably feeling a little lost this week. You can't escape the chaos. At least your conscience is clean, mostly. You may not conquer the world, but you won't pay the price either. As James Ellroy said in his work, *L.A. Confidential*: "Some men get the world, some men get ex-hookers and a trip to Arizona. You're in with the former, but my God I don't envy the blood on your conscience." So, raise a glass and keep calm and carry on!

Cancer (June 21-July 22)

You might be feeling a little dramatic in light of recent events. This may be an excellent time to head on over to the Santa Fe Opera to enjoy Mozart's famous *Don Giovanni*. In life as in music, silence is powerful. Mozart said: "Be silent, if you choose; but when it's necessary, speak — and speak in such a way that people will remember it." Madame G says, use your speech wisely and go vote!

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

You have an infectious roar. It's charming and serves you well. But beyond the flash of mentoring and coaching those in your circle, some things don't require glory. In fact, as Leo Tolstoy points out in *Anna Karenina*: "It's much better to do good in a way that no one knows anything about it." In this way, you've done it for the sake of good and humanity rather than your ego — the shallow end of happiness. Smile!

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

They say an elephant never forgets. And you know, it's hard to forgive. You possess an analytical and thoughtful mind. This makes it hard to let go. Trainers employ this tactic on young elephants by strapping a thick rope to a youngster and allowing it to tug until eventually it stops. Where are you stuck? In *The Road*, Cormac McCarthy says: "You forget what you want to remember, and you remember what you want to forget." Get unstuck!

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct.22)

You may find yourself looking for a sign, any sign, good or bad. Sometimes they're bold; often, they're right in front of you. Madame G suggests going outside and enjoying the fresh air. This is a great day to binge on the Netflix series *Stranger Things* and George Orwell's novel *1984*. "It was a bright cold day in April, and the clocks were striking thirteen." Read the signs carefully,

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but don't read into them. Have fun!

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Everyone underestimates the cost and use of the creative. This is true in corporations, governments, and daily life. But you must never forget your own value or worth. Rest is as necessary for value as hard work, but don't expect anyone to thank you for it. As Oscar Wilde said in the *Portrait Of Dorian Gray*: "Nowadays people know the price of everything and the value of nothing." Know thyself!

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

The upcoming election has the world in upheaval. Add in the Brexit, mass shootings, and China's strange behavior, and reality seems a little too real. Sometimes it's a good idea to step back and acknowledge that at every major event in history, the people watching were often powerless to stop it. But we're not the first. Consider James Joyce's words: "History, Stephen said, is a nightmare from which I am trying to awake." Wake up!

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Sometimes it's hard to know if there's good in the world. It may be even more difficult if you feel you're not doing any good. You're a bright soul and your life needs purpose. When in doubt, do no harm. E.M. Forster conquered this idea in a *Room with a View*: "Choose a place where you won't do harm — yes, chose a place where you won't do very much harm, and stand in it for all you're worth, facing the sunshine." Be kind!

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Madame G highly recommends sleeping, eating properly, and exercising regularly. A healthy lifestyle is not only, well, healthy, but studies suggests it helps with stress levels. This may also

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increase your happiness. Consider the main character in Miguel de Cervantes' classic novel, *Don Quixote*
: "Finally, from so little sleeping and so much reading, his brain dried up and he went completely out of his mind." Stay sane!

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

You may experience a little nostalgia this week. Are your kids out of the house? Your nephews or granddaughters may remind you that certain stages in life are over, including adolescence. This is a blessing and a curse. What would you like for the rest of your life? Haruki Murakami said: "Memories warm you up from the inside. But they also tear you apart." Don't dwell on the past.