

like you're playing an intensely psychological game of poker. What makes the game so interesting is opponents who are a worthy match. Your sense of truth will be put to the test.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20).

There are realities to be accepted and realities to be challenged. There is no way to know the difference except to take them on and let your will, mind and imagination determine which goes into what category.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21).

Priorities shift to accommodate new influences and interests. Growth like this is exhilarating and, at times, exhausting, so get the extra rest and support you

CANCER (June 22-July 22).

You're an expert at making people feel valued. The technique is simple: You actually do value people, and your care contributes to the positive environment many enjoy today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Those versed in the art of knife sharpening know there's a point in which the knife cannot get any sharper, and sharpening beyond that point has the effect of blunting instead. Know when your work is done, and then stop.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).

The form of luck on tap for you today is among the greatest blessings — honed instinct and a keenly intuitive approach to prioritizing. Your attention flows naturally to the right thing in each moment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). As you observe the world, you will also gain new insight into your place in it. Your observations go in both directions, and you'll understand yourself in a fuller range of contexts.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).

There is elegance in setting your own limits and living within them. It's a powerful feeling to be within your own control. Self-restraint may not be a very exciting quality to cultivate, but it's one that pays off beautifully.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

21). Entrances are opportunities. When something is happening for the first time, the mind opens a fresh drawer for the memory to live inside. You'll make the moment of newness work for you with a brilliant first impression.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). For those who are convinced "to the victor go the spoils," such a game can certainly play out. Does this really have to be a zero-sum game? Is there a way for everyone to gain something that matters to them?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You seek a respectable game and will find it as you lead the way with your own exemplary sportsmanship, which includes knowing when to stop to avoid taking things too far. Success will be sweet because it's honorably won.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).

Self-consciousness is one kind of consciousness — not a very fun one at that. Self-focus leads to loneliness. You will be reminded of and focused on your place. You belong to something much larger than any single individual.

WEDNESDAY'S BIRTHDAY (July

21). Your creativity and spirituality will thrive as you take on unusual, varied and ultimately transformative endeavors. There's something you've been trying to get right, and your breakthrough will come when you let go and do it wrong. Other highlights: meaningful team wins and live events you attend with loved ones. Libra and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 10, 4, 20 and 15.

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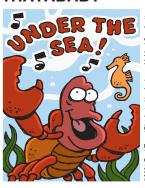
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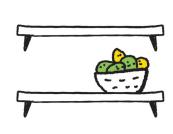




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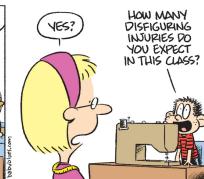
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