

Telling Time in Tarot Spreads

Handout

Let's Begin	
Equipment needed	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Playing Cards and Tarot cards• Notepad or Seeker takeaway pad (I have a preprinted takeaway form for all seekers)• Calendar or application on phone, etc.• Calculator if you are so not mathematically inclined.
Sample Seeker Question	When should I start looking for my wife's ultimate birthday present?
Current date	July 29, 2012
Wife's b-day	July 21, 2013
Result	9 hearts, One card spread: 9 months from now Three card spread: 9 months, 9 years, 9 clubs days
Seeker Question	When will I get another job?
Current date	July 29, 2012
Result	9 clubs, Q hearts, J spades 9 weeks, 12 months, 11 days Around October 12, 2013

Reversal Spread

Easiest of them all

Using your own Tarot deck, shuffle and with the intent of the time start with a time period “Will this happen in one week?” If you cast a reversal, then No, keep casting until you get a Yes.

1 or 3 card spread:

- With playing card deck, remove Jokers. Tarot decks, remove no cards
- Have the seeker shuffle the playing cards
- Overturn 1 or 3 cards (depending upon selected spread)
- Read the spread 3 times (explained below)
- Sum all cards for numeric value for the third reading for the seeker from the Tarot deck

What’s in a card.....?

Seasons: You may just need to tell a season. If the question is when I will change jobs and you see a preponderance of wands then to me it would be summer. Rationale: Wands are fiery and creative and fun like a picnic to me if I am doing a reading (and not a specific time spread) and I see lots of wands the season is summer. To me Wands are Summer, Swords are Winter, Coins are Fall, and Cups are Spring.

My spouse sees Coins(Earth) as Autumn, Air (swords) as Winter, Fire (wands) as Spring and Water (cups) as Summer

Suits: Suits are categorized with their relativity to speed of action of their suit. For example:

- a. Diamonds/Coins – Earth moves slowest – years
- b. Hearts/Cups – Water moves faster than the earth – months
- c. Clubs/Swords – Air moves faster than water – weeks
- d. Spades/Wands – Fire moves fastest than them all – days

Numeric Values of Cards: Use the pips for the numeric value. *Pips are the spots on the Playing Cards (Not Court Cards) just think their Numerical Value.*

Card value	Court cards (Tarot)
Pip value	Page: 11
Aces – 1	Knight: 12
Two – 2	Queen: 13
Three -- 3	King: 14

Detailed example of how I used all of this information in the reading:

1. Received question from the seeker, had the seeker concentrate on the desired date as they shuffled and then took the deck back and cast between 1 and 3 – card spread.

2. Cast card(s) – dependent upon desired spread. I chose a 3-card spread.
3. Cast the following three cards
 - 9 – hearts
 - 9 – diamonds
 - 9 – clubs
4. Calculated the numeric date – period. No interpretation. I let the seeker know they will purchase the ultimate gift for their wife around April 3, 2021. I look at the calendar and calculate 9 months, 9 years and 9 days from now (roughly April 3, 2021).
5. Second time, I read the spread for hints of ideas of what the seeker needs to know (what the suit is speaking too – using information below). What will the present be? The numbers 9 represent (to me) the culmination of success. Just so happens the seeker is on their way career wise and will probably be even better financially 10 years from now. Perhaps now is the time to start saving up for a second home, a cruise dream (has to be dream cruise, something emotionally charged for the wife – maybe renewal of vows on an Alaskan cruise?) The first card was 9 of cups so don't get her a trip to Vegas – that doesn't say well planned and loved. Show her what she means to you. Include family and friends and memories that will last a lifetime.
6. Third time, I add all numeric values of the cards and summing until I get a single numeric value. I use this value as a summary reading (take away) for the seeker. I jot down this information on my seeker take-away-sheet and then include in my wrap up. What does the Oracle want them to know about the gift. $9 + 9 + 9 = 27$, $2 + 7 = 9$. Fairly easy 9: Just as we mentioned before. 9's of cups, diamonds and wands and read (in cast order) the overall summary from the Tarot deck (9 of Cups). For me I see the culmination, again, of their efforts together as a couple. Something that celebrates their live, success, and even gives them the ability to conquer her fears together (not her fear of losing you but something that pushes the envelope – getting out of the house, away from it all, somewhere new).

With a one card spread it would translate to begin looking in the spring (9 months from now and Cups equal Spring) as this is the first card cast around April which is accurate. The second reading I would state the meaning of 9 of cups when purchasing a gift and finally the value of the 9 of cups from the Tarot deck.

More cool information: If you cast a Major arcana cast in the spread....it means not clear/come back later specify the seeker needs to clear up the issue shown in the Major card first and then can come back and recast.

If you have a ridiculously large period of time like 25 years, using your playing cards, recast using your tarot and see if a Major comes up – there is probably an issue holding the seeker back

Additional Resources/Good Stuff

The 4 basic Fields of Life (Playing Cards)

HEARTS	CLUBS	DIAMONDS	SPADES
Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Home	Education	Career	Environment
Heart	Mind	Values	Wisdom
Emotions	Intellect	Security	Health
Love	Musings	Judgment	Acceptance
Childhood	Youth	Adult	Old Age
Vulnerability	Irresponsibility	Responsibility	Transformation
Art	Literature	Entertainment	Scripture
Fire	Earth	Air	Water

Lenormand Card times

<http://mywingsofdesireblog.blogspot.com/p/lenormand-dictionary.html>

Card 1 (9♥): Rider -- Timing (houses): within 2 days

Card 6 (K♣): Clouds -- Timing (houses): 6 years

Card 24 (J♥): Heart -- Timing (houses): August

Astrology and times

<http://taroteon.com/tarot-tutorial/showing-the-structure-behind-the-astrological-associations/>

<http://taroteon.com/tarot-tutorial/tarot-tutorial-timing-and-predicting-events-with-astrology-tarot-reading/>

The Minor Arcana

These are the attributions, plus dates, for the Minor Arcana.

	Wands	Cups	Swords	Disks
Two	Mar 21 to Mar 30 Mars ♂ in Aries ♃ 0° to 10° Aries ♃	June 21 to Jul 1 Venus ♀ in Cancer ♋ 0° to 10° Cancer ♋	Sept 23 to Oct 2 Moon ♁ in Libra ♎ 0° to 10° Libra ♎	Dec 22 to Dec 30 Jupiter ♃ in Capricorn ♏ 0° to 10° Capricorn ♏
Three	Mar 31 to Apr 10 Sol in Aries ♃ 10° to 20° Aries ♃	Jul 2 to Jul 11 Mercury ☿ in Cancer ♋ ♁ 10° to 20° Cancer ♋ ♁	Oct 3 to Oct 12 Saturn ♄ in Libra ♎ 10° to 20° Libra ♎	Dec 31 to Jan 9 Mars ♂ in Capricorn ♏ 10° to 20° Capricorn ♏
Four	Apr 11 to Apr 20 Venus ♀ in Aries ♃ 20° to 30° Aries ♃	Jul 12 to Jul 21 Moon in Cancer ♋ 20° to 30° Cancer ♋	Oct 13 to Oct 22 Jupiter ♃ in Libra ♎ 20° to 30° Libra ♎	Jan 10 to Jan 19 Sol in Capricorn ♏ 20° to 30° Capricorn ♏
Five	July 22 to Aug 1 Saturn ♄	Oct 23 to Nov 1 Mars ♂	Jan 20 to Jan 29 Venus ♀	Apr 21 to Apr 30

	♃ in Leo ♌ 0° to 10° Leo ♌	♏ in Scorpio ♏ 0° to 10° Scorpio ♏	♋ in Aquarius ♒ 0° to 10° Aquarius ♒	Mercury ♄ in Taurus ♉ 0° to 10° Taurus ♉
Six	Aug 2 to Aug 11 Jupiter ♃ in Leo ♌ 10° to 20° Leo ♌	Nov 2 to Nov 12 Sol in Scorpio ♏ 10° to 20° Scorpio ♏	Jan 30 to Feb 8 Mercury ♄ in Aquarius ♒ 10° to 20° Aquarius ♒	May 1 to May 10 Mars ♂ in Taurus ♉ 10° to 20° Taurus ♉
Seven	Aug 12 to Aug 22 Mars ♏ in Leo ♌ 20° to 30° Leo ♌	Nov 13 to Nov 22 Venus ♀ in Scorpio ♏ 20° to 30° Scorpio ♏	Feb 9 to Feb 18 Moon in Aquarius ♒ 20° to 30° Aquarius ♒	May 11 to May 20 Saturn ♄ in Taurus ♉ 20° to 30° Taurus ♉
Eight	Nov 23 to Dec 2 Mercury ♀ in Sagittarius ♏ 0° to 10° Sagittarius ♏	Feb 19 to Feb 28 Saturn ♄ in Pisces ♓ 0° to 10° Pisces ♓	May 21 to May 31 Jupiter ♃ in Gemini ♊ 0° to 10° Gemini ♊	Aug 23 to Sept 1 Sol in Virgo ♍ 0° to 10° Virgo ♍
Nine	Dec 3 to Dec 12 Moon in Sagittarius ♏ 10° to 20° Sagittarius ♏	Mar 1 to Mar 10 Jupiter ♃ in Pisces ♓ 10° to 20° Pisces ♓	June 1 to June 10 Mars ♏ in Gemini ♊ 10° to 20° Gemini ♊	Sept 2 to Sept 11 Venus ♀ in Virgo ♍ 10° to 20° Virgo ♍
Ten	Dec 13 to Dec 21 Saturn ♄ in Sagittarius ♏ 20° to 30° Sagittarius ♏	Mar 11 to Mar 20 Mars ♂ in Pisces ♓ 20° to 30° Pisces ♓	June 11 to June 20 Sol in Gemini ♊ 20° to 30° Gemini ♊	Sept 12 to Sept 22 Mercury ♄ in Virgo ♍ 20° to 30° Virgo ♍

The Major Arcana

The 22 Major Arcana are associated with Zodiacal, Elemental and Planetary attributes.

The Zodiacal Trumps cover the time period associated with their zodiac sign. The Planetary Trumps correspond to the days of the week or the orbit of the planet, and the Elemental associations don't cover a time period at all.

There are three primary elements associated with the 22 Trumps. The Golden Dawn attributed these three Trump cards — The Fool, The Hanged Man, and the Aeon, with the three Mother letters of the Hebrew alphabet.

	Zodiacal	Planetary	Elemental
0. The Fool			Air

1. Magus		Mercury. Rules Wednesday.	
2. Priestess		Moon. Rules Monday.	
3. Empress		Venus. Rules Friday.	
4. Emperor	Aries. March 21 to April 19		
5. Hierophant	Taurus. April 20 to May 20		
6. Lovers	Gemini. May 21 to June 20		
7. Chariot	Cancer. June 21 to July 22		
8. Justice	Libra. September 23 to October 22		
9. Hermit	Virgo. August 23 to September 22		
10. Wheel of Fortune		Jupiter. Rules Thursday.	
11. Lust or Strength	Leo. July 23 to August 22		
12. Hanged Man			Water
13. Death	Scorpio. October 23 to November 21		
14. Art or Temperance	Sagittarius. November 22 to December 21		
15. Devil	Capricorn. December 22 to January 19		
16. Tower		Mars. Rules Tuesday.	
17. Star	Aquarius. January 20 to February 18		
18. Moon	Pisces. February 19 to March 20		
19. Sun		The Sun. Rules Sunday.	
20. Aeon			Fire/Spirit
21. Universe		Saturn. Rules Saturday.	Earth

The Court Cards

Below are the attributes for the Court Cards. The Kings are called Knights and the Knights are called Princes in the Golden Dawn system.

	Wands	Cups	Swords	Disks
Knight (or King)	Nov 13 to Dec 12 20° Scorpio to 20° Sagittarius Rules 7 of Cups; 8 of Wands; 9 of Wands Fire of Fire	Feb 9 to Mar 10 20° Aquarius to 20° Pisces Rules 7 of Swords; 8 of Cups; 9 of Cups Fire of Water	May 11 to June 10 20° Taurus to 20° Gemini Rules 7 of Disks; 8 of Swords; 9 of Swords Fire of Air	Aug 12 to Sept 11 20° Leo to 20° Virgo Rules 7 of Wands; 8 & 9 of Disks Fire of Earth
Queen	Mar 11 to Apr 10 20° Pisces to 20° Aries Rules 10 of Cups; 2 of Wands; 3 of Wands Water of Fire	June 11 to Jul 11 20° Gemini to 20° Cancer Rules 10 of Swords; 2 of Cups; 3 of Cups Water of Water	Sept 12 to Oct 12 20° Virgo to 20° Libra Rules 10 of Disks; 2 of Swords; 3 of Swords Water of Air	Dec 13 to Jan 9 20° Sagittarius to 20° Capricorn Rules 10 of Wands; 2 of Disks; 3 of Disks Water of Earth
Prince (or Knight)	Jul 12 to Aug 11 20° Cancer to 20° Leo δ Rules 4 of Cups; 5 of Wands; 6 of Wands Air of Fire	Oct 13 to Nov 12 20° Libra to 20° Scorpio Rules 4 of Swords; 5 of Cups; 6 of Cups Air of Water	Jan 10 to Feb 8 20° Capricorn to 20° Aquarius Rules 4 of Disks; 5 of Swords; 6 of Swords Air of Air	Apr 11 to May 10 20° Aries to 20° Taurus Rules 4 of Wands; 5 of Disks; 6 of Disks Air of Earth

*You will have your own interpretation for time readings but this is a basic template – almost like the LWB.