



Your first tarot reading

Understand the cards, ask a question
and leave with an action to try.



Observe. Connect. Choose.

A simple method, meanings for all 78 cards and two printable worksheets.
Use your own deck or Laminor. No account needed to use this guide.

Ten minutes to find some clarity

You do not need to memorise 78 definitions. A focused question and a few observations are enough to get started.

01 Ask a question

Choose a concrete situation. Ask what might help you move forward, rather than what will inevitably happen.

02 Choose the positions

One card for perspective; three to explore a situation. Decide the role of each position before drawing.

03 Observe before looking up meanings

Note a detail: a gesture, a colour, a direction, a repeated shape. Then find one or two clues in this guide.

04 Connect to your context

The same symbol takes on different nuances with your question and its position. Write a sentence connecting your cards.

05 Choose one small action

Keep an achievable action and a review date. A reading becomes valuable when you see what you do with it.

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A question that helps you move forward

A useful question opens up a possibility and leaves room for your choices. Start with your current situation.

Give your reading some context

"I am unsure about suggesting a project to my team. I want to understand what is holding me back and prepare a first step." One or two sentences are enough. They keep you from fitting every card to any story.

INSTEAD OF

"Will they come back?"

"What do I need to feel more at ease in this relationship?"

You return to your own needs, without claiming to know another person's thoughts.

INSTEAD OF

"Will this project succeed?"

"What support and obstacle should I consider to move forward?"

You identify the resources available and the next effort needed.

INSTEAD OF

"Should I leave everything behind?"

"What do I want to change, and what could I try first?"

You open up a step you can test before making a major decision.

A question to start with

"In [my situation], what deserves my attention, and what action is within my control?"

Observe. Connect. Choose.

Three steps from the image to a personal reading, while keeping observation and interpretation distinct.

1. I observe

On The Hermit: a lantern, a staff, a figure moving forward. Describe what you can see before assigning it a message.

2. I connect

The light may suggest a search for clarity; the measured pace, time to reflect. Which association fits your situation?

3. I choose

“Before suggesting my project, I will take twenty minutes to define its goal and the question I want to ask the team.”



A card does not speak to you?

Choose one detail and ask: “What does this posture bring to mind?” Then read the card’s meaning. You can also write “I do not know yet” and continue your reading.

A sentence to connect your cards

“In [the situation], I notice [what needs my attention]. I can draw on [a resource] and try [an action].”

Keep a reading that makes sense to you; do not force every detail to become a sign.

The larger movements of your story

One meaning and one question per card. Numbers follow the Laminor deck; Justice and Strength may exchange places in other decks.



The Fool

A beginning, freedom to explore.

What first step can I take without controlling everything?



I - The Magician

An initiative with resources already available.

What do I have at hand to begin?



II - The High Priestess

Time to listen, study or trust intuition.

What do I need to understand before acting?



III - The Empress

An idea taking shape, creativity being nurtured.

What do I want to help grow?



IV - The Emperor

Structure, stability and clear boundaries.

What structure would make my project stronger?



V - The Hierophant

Guidance, shared values and support.

What advice or value helps me choose?



VI - The Lovers

A connection or choice aligned with your values.

Which choice feels true to me?



VII - The Chariot

A direction, movement to coordinate.

Where should I focus my energy now?



VIII - Justice

Balance to examine, a commitment to clarify.

What facts and criteria should I compare?



IX - The Hermit

Useful distance, a search for clarity.

What do I discover when I slow down?



X - The Wheel of Fortune

A changing cycle, a turning point to welcome.

What change can I adapt to?

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**XI · Strength**

Quiet courage, energy to work with.
How can I act firmly and gently?

**XII · The Hanged Man**

A pause or a different perspective.
What would I see if I stopped forcing things?

**XIII · The Nameless Arcanum**

An ending, letting go, transformation.
What has run its course?

**XIV · Temperance**

Patient adjustment, a smoother exchange.
What small adjustment could I try?

**XV · The Devil**

A desire or attachment to examine closely.
What draws me in or limits me?

**XVI · The Tower**

Disruption revealing a weakness.
What needs a stronger foundation?

**XVII · The Star**

Renewed trust, a source of inspiration.
What simply restores me?

**XVIII · The Moon**

A feeling, a doubt, something still unclear.
What should I check rather than imagine?

**XIX · The Sun**

Shared joy, clarity and momentum.
What is working and deserves care?

**XX · Judgement**

A call, an awakening, renewal.
What do I want to respond to today?

**XXI · The World**

Completion, a stage becoming part of you.
What have I completed and can I acknowledge?

Four suits, four areas of life

The Minor Arcana bring the reading into everyday situations. Start with the suit, then add the number or court card.



Cups

Emotions, relationships, intuition.

What do I feel? What does this relationship need?



Swords

Thoughts, words, decisions.

What needs to be said or clarified?



Wands

Drive, desire, projects, action.

Where do I want to go? Where is my energy going?



Pentacles

Resources, work, body, daily life.

What resources and habits support me?

The number adds a nuance

An Ace opens a possibility; a Two brings things together or asks for a choice; a Three develops; a Four stabilises. Later numbers explore tension, adjustments, effort and completion. Use this as a guide, not a rigid rule.

Court cards can describe an approach

Page: discover and learn. **Knight:** put things in motion. **Queen:** listen and nurture. **King:** organise and take responsibility. A court card does not always represent a person, an age or a gender.

Coins and Pentacles refer to the same suit here. Laminor's illustrations use Marseille visual conventions; the reading notes follow the site's Rider-Waite-Smith-inspired meanings. If your Minor Arcana do not show a scene, work with the suit, number and context. Card titles in the illustrations remain in French.

A meaning for every card

Cups

Ace

An opening of the heart, a new feeling.

What do I want to welcome?

Two

Exchange, reciprocity, meeting.

Does this connection leave room for each person?

Three

Friendship, support, shared joy.

Who can I share this moment with?

Four

Withdrawal, weariness, reassessment.

What do I need to engage again?

Five

Regret, absence, focus on loss.

What support is still present?

Six

Memories, tenderness, the past.

What can I keep from this memory?

Seven

Possibilities, dreams, scattered focus.

Which desire can become a real choice?

Eight

Departure, a search for meaning.

What no longer nourishes me?

Nine

Satisfaction, pleasure, a recognised desire.

What truly satisfies me?

Ten

Harmony, belonging, lasting bonds.

How can I care for what connects us?

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Sensitivity, curiosity, expression.

What feeling can I put into words?

Knight

Invitation, ideals, emotional momentum.

How can I express my intention?

Queen

Listening, intuition, care.

How can I listen without losing myself?

King

Maturity, emotional balance.

How can I stay grounded in this exchange?

Pentacles

Ace

A practical opportunity, a new resource.

What small foundation can I build?

Two

Adaptation, priorities to balance.

What deserves my time?

Three

Cooperation, skill, building together.

What skills can we bring together?

Four

Security, holding back, need for control.

What can I protect without closing off?

Five

Lack, vulnerability, need for help.

What practical support can I ask for?

Six

Sharing, help, balanced exchange.

How can I give or receive fairly?

Seven

Patience, reviewing effort invested.

What is worth continuing?

Eight

Practice, learning, consistency.

What skill can I improve?

Nine

Independence, comfort, rewards of work.

What achievement can I appreciate?

Ten

Legacy, lasting stability.

What do I want to make lasting?

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Study, discovery, a practical project.

What do I need to learn first?

Knight

Reliability, patience, consistency.

What pace can I sustain?

Queen

Everyday care, welcome, resources.

How can I make my surroundings kinder?

King

Management, stability, responsibility.

How can I use my resources with care?

A meaning for every card

Wands

Ace

A spark, desire, a new project.
What impulse do I want to follow?

Two

Vision, preparation, direction.
What direction do I want to choose?

Three

Opening up, growth, anticipation.
What horizon can I explore?

Four

Grounding, celebration, shared space.
What support can I acknowledge?

Five

Friction, comparison, clashing ideas.
What disagreement needs clarifying?

Six

Recognition, success, confidence.
What progress can I acknowledge?

Seven

Standing your ground, perseverance.
What boundary deserves to be kept?

Eight

Acceleration, movement, news.
What calls for a response?

Nine

Endurance, caution, a final effort.
How can I move without burning out?

Ten

Overload, accumulated responsibilities.
What can I delegate or lighten?

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Enthusiasm, trying, discovering.
What do I want to try?

Knight

Boldness, intensity, impulse.
How can I give this energy a direction?

Queen

Confidence, warmth, creativity.
What makes me feel more confident?

King

Vision, initiative, leadership.
How can I lead without imposing everything?

Swords

Ace

Clarity, truth, a decisive idea.
What is becoming clearer?

Two

Hesitation, pause, an avoided choice.
What information am I missing?

Three

Hurt, disappointment, painful words.
What feeling deserves acknowledgement?

Four

Rest, distance, recovery.
Where can I take a real break?

Five

Conflict, power struggles, the cost of winning.
What does being right cost me?

Six

Transition, distance, a passage.
What would ease this transition?

Seven

Strategy, detours, transparency to revisit.
What do I need to explain openly?

Eight

Restriction, feeling stuck.
What room for choice still exists?

Nine

Worry, rumination, anticipation.
What facts can I separate from my fears?

Ten

A painful ending, a limit reached.
What burden can I stop carrying?

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Curiosity, observation, questions.
What question would move this exchange forward?

Knight

Speed, directness, determination.
Can I act without rushing my words?

Queen

Discernment, boundaries, clear speech.
What can I say fairly and clearly?

King

Rigour, decision, responsibility.
What criterion would clarify my decision?

Choose the spread that helps you

Decide the positions before drawing. Shuffle your deck, then lay the cards from left to right.

One card · Your daily focus

“What deserves my attention today?”

O1 MY FOCUS

One detail, one keyword, one small action. A single card is enough to practise without losing focus.

Three cards · Understand a situation

“How can I approach this situation more clearly?”

O1 SITUATION

O2 OBSTACLE

O3 RESOURCE

The first describes the context; the second, a difficulty; the third, support you can draw on.

Three cards · Explore a journey

“What movement can I recognise in this situation?”

O1 PAST

O2 PRESENT

O3 POSSIBLE FUTURE

A past influence, your present focus, then a possible development to explore. The last card remains a possibility.

In Laminor, use the positions given for the reading. With your own deck, you can choose one of these spreads and write its positions on the worksheet on page 13.



Before suggesting a new project

Fictional example. Question: “What approach might help me present my project to my team?”

PAST



The Hermit

A lantern, a measured pace.

I have taken time to reflect. What have I already clarified?

PRESENT



Justice

A pair of scales and a sword.

I compare resources and commitments. Which criteria should I make clear?

POSSIBLE FUTURE



The Chariot

A direction, movement.

I can plan a first step. How can I move forward with a clear goal?

The thread of the reading

“I move from reflection to a clear comparison of commitments, then to a carefully prepared first action.”

What I will do this week

My action: write one page with the goal, two constraints and a first step, then share it with someone on the team.

My review: in seven days, note what that conversation actually clarified.

Read with nuance, then return to the facts

A reading becomes more useful when you stay open and revisit your notes after taking action.

A reversed card?

You can begin by reading all cards upright. If you use reversals, choose a convention before the reading: energy that is blocked, turned inward or in need of balance.

Example: The Chariot

Upright: give your energy a direction. Reversed: ask whether you are scattered or your goal is unclear. This does not predict failure; it suggests something to check.

An unsettling card?

The Nameless Arcanum can suggest a transition. **The Devil**, an attachment. **The Tower**, a weakness becoming visible. A difficult image alone does not announce misfortune.

Keep what helps you

Avoid repeating the same reading until you get a reassuring answer. Write down a first interpretation, let it settle and see what a concrete action teaches you.

Seven days to learn

Day 1

One card: note three visible details.

Day 2

Compare your observation with the card's meaning.

Day 3

Rephrase a question to make it more concrete.

Day 4

Draw three cards with specific positions.

Day 5

Write one sentence connecting your three cards.

Day 6

Choose one small action and try it.

Day 7

Review your notes: what was useful?

Explore further

[All 78 card pages \(French\)](#)

[Try a three-card reading](#)

[Our reading method \(French\)](#)

This guide offers symbolic readings, not certain predictions. The meanings are starting points: your context, the facts and your choices still matter.

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One question. Three cards. One action.

Write the positions before drawing: past / present / possible future, or situation / obstacle / resource.

Date: _____

Deck used: _____

My situation and my question

An open question about a specific situation.

CARD 1

Position:

Card name and meaning:

One detail, one clue:

CARD 2

Position:

Card name and meaning:

One detail, one clue:

CARD 3

Position:

Card name and meaning:

One detail, one clue:

A sentence connecting my three cards

What I observe, what I associate with it, what it helps me consider.

An action within my control

Write your next step and a date to revisit this reading.



What did this reading bring me?

Fill this in a few days after your reading. Look for what clarified your thinking and what you actually tried.

Reading date: _____

Review date: _____

1. What I took from the reading

An idea or sentence, without rewriting the whole reading.

2. What I did and what happened

Separate your actions from the facts you observed.

3. What helped and what did not resonate

An interpretation can remain incomplete. Note the differences too.

4. What I want to continue

A new question, a habit or a next step.

Your journal records your journey: questions change, cards speak to one another, and some possibilities become clearer with time.

