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VI - The Lovers



Keywords: Attraction, correct choice, lover, affair; attractive, well matched, correct

The Lovers indicates that natural attraction will lead to a correct choice. Elements that naturally belong together will find each other, creating balance and harmony. With mostly positive cards, a relationship blossoms into trust and companionship, love and joy. Followed by cards of disillusionment, this card can warn of too high, fairy-tale expectations. We are all flesh and blood, but romantic fantasies of a "meant to be" romance can place unrealistic demands on the human beings trying to love us. Still, this card even at its worst shows that the capacity--and gift--of love is a part of the Seeker's life.

Read as advice, this card tells us that this is a significant and mutual attraction that will bring value to both lives if nurtured.

In business readings, a productive partnership, a co-worker who is also a friend or simply a job that the Seeker truly enjoys is shown by The Lovers. A good fit, the Seeker has found a job that suits her personality and desires well. "I love my job": the Seeker finds emotional satisfaction at work.

In romantic readings, The Lovers is exactly what it appears to be: love, romance, a relationship that grows and nurtures both lovers. Sexual love is a reflection of the love the

Goddess bears for all her creations, and here She is shown in the very act of demonstrating that by using the blessing of attraction to draw two people together.

In a reading specifically about sex, this card speaks eloquently of a balanced, harmonious sexual relationship, one in which sex becomes a metaphor for the deep emotional and spiritual connection between lovers.

As an Outcome card, inform the Seeker that a highly significant relationship will result from the matter at hand. If the Seeker harbors any doubts, reassure her that her instincts can be trusted and that pursuing this attraction is a good choice.

Reversed VI - The Lovers



Keywords: Unbalanced, bad choice, an affair, opposites-attract or extramarital relationship; rocky, incompatible, extramarital

Reversed, The Lovers shows us an unbalanced relationship, a rocky romance or a friendship disturbed by turmoil. It can also denote an incorrect choice of any sort, often one based on an overly emotional, wishful thinking interpretation of events. The Seeker may be making decisions based on too few facts, too many assumptions, certainly too much raw emotion. Followed by positive cards, however, these difficulties will pass and what now appears ill-starred will in time prove beneficial.

As guidance: Accept that this relationship--whether to a person, a job or a situation--has certain inherent difficulties that you will need to accept and work with.

In romantic readings reversed, The Lovers can indicate a relationship on the skids, most often due to an inability to take the sexual attraction to the next level of intimacy. A love affair

that is unbalanced in some way, (too much sex, not enough emotional intimacy, or the opposite) is affecting the situation at hand.

The Lovers, reversed, can also indicate an extra-marital affair--watch out when mentioning this and check for other cards of infidelity before doing so! (See Appendix 1 for these card combinations.)

Sexually, reversed, this card indicates difficulty in achieving a balanced, healthy, mutual sexual bond. One lover or the other may be expecting too much of the other, or placing unrealistic demands on the other to be a fairy-tale lover, rather than a flesh and blood human being.

Reversed, in the Outcome position, this card signifies a poor choice or a relationship creating difficulties for the Seeker. Caution her that decisions about this matter should be made with great care because even a small mistake could bring failure.

This card can also indicate that a "non-traditional" relationship will have a large impact on how this matter will turn out. Tread carefully: in this position, it can warn that a love triangle exists, whether the Seeker is aware of it or not!