

YEAR OF THE DRAGON 2012

Dragons larger than life

Embrace change this year, lucky stars on your path

Dragon

1916, 1928, 1940, 1952, 1964, 1976, 1988, 2000, 2012

The only mythological animal among the twelve, the Dragon is no less important than the others. Stories about it can be found everywhere. Man has long considered it a celestial creature and looked upon it with awe and respect.

Personality

People born in the Dragon year possess exceptional qualities like what is told in mythical folklore. They are refined, respectable, and have a sacred air about them. The Dragon is easy-going, willing to take risks, but tends to be more stubborn than most, in his thinking and behaviour.

Full of imagination and possessing an indomitable spirit, the Dragon is decisive when it comes to dealing with anything. Though the Dragon has potential for accomplishing great things, others do not always accept him. Warm, curious and helpful by nature, the Dragon is sometimes mistaken for being meddlesome.

Career

Good fortune comes early in life for those born in the Dragon year. Many enjoy success when young. They may face challenges when they reach middle age because

of their carelessness and complacency. However, late in life, things will look up. They are suited for jobs, which give full play to their skills and talents, for example, professional athlete, singer, actor, or businessman.

Romance

People born in the Dragon year can be self-centred when it comes to relationships. They yearn to be loved, but can forget to pay enough attention to the other party. Because of that, they make their prospective partners flinch at the thought of a commitment.

As a result, most tend to marry late. The Dragon's ideal life partner is someone born in the year of the Rat, Rooster, Monkey, or Tiger.

Predictions

Because 2012 is the year corresponding to the Dragon, it is a year in which it is "fan Tai Sui," or in opposition to the deity of the year. Hearing "fan Tai Sui" strikes fear in many. That should not be the case. The Dragon should know that "Fan Tai Sui" really just means that there will be a significant amount of change in your life this year — that could be good or bad depending. If your ba zi (date of birth, time and location) has lucky stars guiding your path, then this could be a time of new beginnings.



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Sherman Tai, fortune teller and Feng Shui master, provides his predictions for each sign this year.

"Fan Tai Sui" tests your ability to adapt. The results highly dependent on you. If you accept the change and work with it you may well advance in education and find positive results in money and career.

In this year, learn to mind your own business and be aware of the many temptations of the opposite sex otherwise, the Dragon will risk harm to reputation. Do not go astray from a righteous path and succumb to

greed, things that harm people or participate in illegal activities to earn quick and easy money. Furthermore, do not let the idea of "Fan Tai Sui" affect you negatively.

This is a year where it is more suitable for the Dragon to be dynamic rather than static. The year may offer opportunities to travel, especially in the latter part of the year.

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PREDICTIONS

Rat

1924, 1936, 1948, 1960, 1972, 1984, 1996, 2008



The lucky stars shining on the Rat will yield a positive, triangular relationship.

This year should go well,

but things will be difficult at first and then get better. If the Rat is willing to work hard, be adaptable and learn more, then pleasing results can be achieved in finances and career. This is a year to change jobs or start new ventures, but be prepared and have the mindset to cope with obstacles.

Financial luck is not bad this year, but is unstable with many ups and downs, making it less tangible, especially at the beginning of the year. In terms of relationships, the Rat may face some challenges. Do not let them affect work. Health for the Rat is fairly stable.

The Rat tends to worry excessively about children due to lack of filial piety, declining grades, marriage problems, career difficulties and depression. Remember the young people have to deal with their own issues. It's important to maintain open, honest communication.

Ox

1925, 1937, 1949, 1961, 1973, 1985, 1997, 2009



In 2012, there will be a lucky star in the Ox's path.

The Ox may find finance and family this year, but must be confident and decisive. Being

wishy-washy will be a major hindrance to success.

The beginning of the year is a period of change. As long as the Ox is honest and works hard, it should be a good year. Those born in this year should improve their social skills and self-esteem. The Ox should try new things and find new opportunities.

Financially, this year is not bad. There will be small gains if the Ox is not too greedy.

There will be many potential relationships that will come, but the Ox must approach these with caution. Being overly involved may have a negative effect on the Ox's well-being, career and luck. For those who are married, be wary of arguments stemming from financial problems.

Those born under the Ox should be health conscious and in tune with their body's needs.

Tiger

1926, 1938, 1950, 1962, 1974, 1986, 1998, 2010



The Tiger may face some challenges this year, and therefore, must conduct matters carefully.

Tigers may be lacking a sense of direction and goal orientation, but they must be positive and face adversities with courage. Therefore, the Tiger should not lose motivation. If they are willing to focus, work hard and confront obstacles, luck will turn upward. This is not a year to make major changes.

If the Tiger is willing to be meticulous, work hard and not be afraid of doing a bit of extra work without return, by midyear, there will be positive results. Money will be up and down. Be careful about small financial gains

followed by large losses.

The Tiger should be cautious and shrewd in their relationships and do not let them affect work. Be patient and understanding, before doing anything regretful.

The Tiger needs to be vigilant about gastro-intestinal disorders and should neither eat or drink excessively, nor diet excessively.

Rabbit

1927, 1939, 1951, 1963, 1954, 1987, 1999, 2011



There are some lucky stars for those born under the Rabbit. If the Rabbit is willing to work hard and learn, this can be a year of renewal.

At the beginning, the Rabbit must have courage and perseverance to face challenges and mistakes. Success can be attained once problems are overcome.

The Rabbit should not be impulsive and overly ambitious, as too many goals are difficult to realize. This will only lead to waste of time, energy and effort.

Those born under the Rabbit must be flexible and open-minded. Share good returns and credit with others, as approaching things as a team is better than alone. By mid-year, there may be a breakthrough.

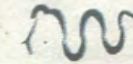
Financial luck is not bad, but do not be overly greedy, get caught up in gambling or over-investing. There tends to be some unforeseen expenses, such as home expenses, so make long-term investment plans.

Relationships might be challenging this year as Rabbits might face disagreements or

differences in goals and direction with their partners. For the single Rabbit, enter relationships with caution and try to avoid too-good-to-be-true propositions.

Snake

1929, 1941, 1953, 1965, 1977, 1989, 2001, 2013



In general, this year is an average year for the Snake.

The Snake wants to reach high, but may not want to put

in the required effort. Remember, the faster you want something, the less likely you will achieve it. Blindly chasing impractical pursuits or having too high expectations and not achieving them will inadvertently negatively affect your confidence. However, if the Snake is able to work diligently, take things step by step and not be afraid of difficulties, then all challenges have solutions.

In terms of career, there will be a new opportunity arising for you, so bring up your courage and consider taking that chance. Be decisive. As long as the Snake is not greedy, efforts will be rewarded. But your money will only last if the Snake learns to save for a rainy day.

Going abroad will open opportunities for love encounters. For those who stay local, a relationship may help with career and finances, but the Snake must keep love separate from work.

For single Snakes looking for a partner, go abroad, rather than look for people around them. The Snake should be health conscious and stay in tune with their bodies.

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PREDICTIONS

Horse

1918, 1930, 1942, 1954, 1966, 1978, 1990, 2002



Those born in the year of the Horse will have two very lucky stars in their path this year, where they will have people who will help them. In their path of

hard work they may easily find profitable results.

Be aware of being too stubborn and single-minded. Those born in the Horse year can get into arguments. But if they control their temper, improve interpersonal skills, are bold, but meticulous, innovative and open to change, they will find success.

For the working person, though there is opportunity for promotion and success.

Because there are also two negative stars in the Horse's path this year, there is a tendency for the Horse to have an unstable mood and be impulsive, which will impact feelings and personal relationships, in particular. The Horse should spend lots of time and energy on tending to family matters.

Health wise, the Horse may feel fatigued from overworking as well as from illnesses of the heart and blood vessels.

Goat

1919, 1931, 1943, 1955, 1967, 1979, 1991, 2003



With some unlucky stars in position in the year of the Dragon, this is a year of challenges for those born in the year of the Goat.

Therefore, they must take matters into their own hands and do things themselves, being cautious and treading carefully.

With things that are already set, like work, take it and carry it forward, keep working hard and don't give up. Aim for success and don't settle for failure. There may be good returns.

This is a year suitable for the Goat to work abroad, using talents and creativity. Try a new job and fulfill potential. There will be expenses this year. Goats should not cooperate with others for investment, as they risk losing money and friendship.

Those who are single, need to be careful who they meet and realize that it takes time to understand a person before a relationship can develop. Those who are married need to be tolerant and understanding of each other.

Monkey

1908, 1920, 1932, 1944, 1956, 1968, 1980, 1992, 2004



With lucky stars in favor of the Monkey in the year of the Dragon, this will be a good year for the Monkey. Even though luck is good, the Monkey must work hard, learn and be adaptable, as well as cultivate good relationships, to achieve career and financial goals. Diligence, creativity and change are important for the Monkey. Doing something new is better than being static.

The single Monkey will have opportunities, but it may be best to focus on work and not let relationships negatively affect career. The married Monkey should try to be more patient, tolerant, and understanding with open communication.

Those born in the year of the Monkey must take care in what they eat or drink. Maintaining a regular schedule is also important.