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The Chinese Month of Horse 丙午月

### **This is the month of Horse and the flying star 7 arrives!**

Star 7 is robbery star; nevertheless, since this metal star serves to drain off the annual 2-illness star, the world is less prone to diseases and road accidents. Compile the statistics and let me know okay? Having said that star 2 and star 7 combines will ignite both early days Pa Kua and causes a BIG FIRE. We will see unprecedented Fire-Accidents world wide especially in the Western and Southern part of this world. For those who love Fire in their life reading, grab that opportunity and make it a big one! Those un-favor, lay low and take vacation. Go where?. to the north!!!

#### **Summary:**

**Kind Sectors: West/Northwest/Northeast**

**Unkind Sectors: South/North**

### **Sometimes the hardest thing of all is to do nothing**

**-Take a deep breath, relax all your muscles and let what is be enough.**

## **HOW TO SELECT YOUR RESIDENTIAL SITE**

According to Flying Star theory, the numbers 1, 6, 8 and 9 are auspicious stars, while the inauspicious stars are 3, 4, 7, 6 and 5. 8 also represent Kan Kua, the Northeast direction, as well as the wet Earth element. This represents youthful males and signifies that during this 20-year period more males will be born than females. Kan Kua also represents stability, and as we enter Period 8 there will be less war and more freedom, proper law and order would be in place. Within Period 8 or Kan Kua, the hidden attribute is Wood, this signifying greener or more forest or nature that will be protected by law. Property, mining, medical issues, martial arts, meditation and Chinese metaphysic will be getting more interest in the western communities.

Nevertheless, you do need to find a best place for yourself in Period 8. For easy reference, without the help of a Feng Shui consultant, you can select your home or business premises based on the three simple criteria below.

### **General rule of thumb**

Since 2004, the beginning of Period 8, the general rule of thumb to determine an auspicious site is described as follows:

1. Front door facing Southeast
2. Front door facing South
3. Front door facing West
4. Front door facing Northwest

Moreover, keep in mind that this is a general rule and for more information, you should refer to the



Period 8 auspicious site directions discussed in Appendix 2.

### **Southwest sees water**

In Period 8 (from 2004-2023), the Water star in the Southwest governs the wealth element of a house; therefore, ideally on the Southwest side of your location should be a 'Water' element such as the ocean, a river, a pond, lake or road.

### **Northeast sees mountain**

The Mountain element governs health and wellbeing and in Period 8 such a star is in the Northeast. Ideally, a mountain, hill, or a building taller than yours should be on your Northeast side.

## **The Book of Tao by Lao-tze-Tao The Ching**

### **Chapter 5-Heaven and the Sage**

Nature is unkind:

It treats the creation like sacrificial straw-dogs,

The Sage is not benevolent:

He regards the people like sacrificial straw-dogs\*

How the universe is like a bellows!

Empty, but it gives a supply that never ends,

The more it works out, the more it can bring out.

By speaking too much our wit may be exhausted.

It would be better to keep to the core or centre. (The original true self of human being)

\*Nature and the sage are not benevolent for they have to act according to the doctrine of naturalism, cause and effect without bias and with justice. If people have done evil deeds, they have to face resulting consequence.

### **Chapter Six**

The Formless True Immortal

The Spirit of the Valley never dies.

It is named the Mystic Female.

The Door of the Mystic Female,

It is the root of Heaven and Earth. It appears to exist continuously.

The use of this cosmic energy is inexhaustible.

Valley: The valley is a symbol of "taoistic" emptiness from which cosmic energy is generated.

Mystic Female: refers to mother of creation-the Tao.

## **信而不明就是迷信-The real master is none other than you!**

**Master Jiang Dai Hong on (The 5 Songs of Heavenly Feng Shui)-Yin and Yang Feng Shui**

天元五歌-蔣大鴻仙師-Part 5 of 5

### **五.造命歌 5. Life Creation (Auspicious Day Selection)**

天時地理聖賢言,堪輿二字義相連,浪說江南無大地,但取年月日時,利真龍大地偏江南,也要天時力相添,初年禍福天時驗,歲久方知地有權。

Through years of observations, experiment and researches, ancient Chinese were able to conclude that stars, earth magnetic field, and time interactions changed the destiny, pattern and the well fairness of



living beings. The study of Ham and Yu (topography and time aspect) are closely related and cannot be separated. Many practitioners cannot understand this correlation and made false findings by only using certain 'auspicious' time to make it up. Be it Yin or Yang residential, every spring will dictate the kind or unkind energies' arrival.

諸家選擇紛云紜,拘忌多端誤殺人,此象言吉彼言凶,對盡諸書總不同,三年五載精一日,萬般福澤總成空,古來天子七月葬,庶士踰月禮不曠,年月何嘗有興廢,日時祇有論孤,春秋葬日滿經書,但辨岡柔內外向。

Many theories and methods of selecting an auspicious date. Too much criteria will end up finding an auspicious day probably 3 to 5 years later, therefore it is best to confine only to day and time. The year and month can be neglected. The selection of an auspicious day for burying the death is many and depending on the nature of such ceremony.

迪書剋擇盡荒唐,斗首元辰失主張,奇遁演禽皆倒亂,不經神授莫猜詳,

Many of published books are ridiculously wrong and baseless. The true Kei Mun Tun Kap and Yik Kam methods were long lost. Beware of false findings that will mislead nation.

世人剋擇重干支,生辰化命兩相持,致使子孫衝犯象,多年不葬孝心重,豈知死者已無命,反氣入地為復命,復命能司造化權,生者命從葬者定。

Most ordinary people place great deal of emphasis on the interaction Heavenly Stem and Earthly Branch of the death and alive for selection an auspicious day, to find out that the only day to bury is probably 3 to 5 years later. Bear in mind the death already without energy in the body and therefore the energy that injected to the graveyard is important. That will bring an impact on the generation well being.

故有先人造命訣,不是干支子平說,渾天寶造候天星,此是楊公親口訣,不怕三殺太歲神,陰府空亡俱沒殺,年剋壓命有何妨,退氣金神皆能發,一卷天元烏兔經,經與人間作寶筏。

Through observation of stars and earth interactions, ancient Chinese found out that many distant stars had impact on earth in many ways.

推原天地始初成,惟有日月是真精,金烏玉兔本一物,五星四氣從此生,人生稟受太陽氣,萬物皆是陰陽明,聖人觀察衍曆法,干支甲子作天經。

Ancient Chinese already figured out that the sun and moon is one. Implying that the moon's light is the reflection from the sun's energy. The creation of 5-elements; metal, water, wood, fire and earth has emerged and resulted in 4 seasons. Movements, thoughts, creations and activities of living beings are influenced by the interaction of Yin and Yang and the 5-elements' energies. Ancient's scholars used the Heavenly-Stem and Earthly-Branch to represent the movement of year, month, day and time.

五行本是陽中氣,神殺何曾別有名,祇將日月司元化,萬物生機握掌心,世間萬物皆有命,不但生人男女定,造物制器可同推,修造埋葬咸取運。

Four seasons are synonymous with 5-elements. Wood represents spring, fire represents summer, metal represents autumn, and water represents winter, while earth represents seasons ending energies. Among sun, moon, 5 elements and 28 other stars, the sun and moon are the most important stars of all, because they have the most impact on earth. Since the movement of sun and moon is so critical, the selection of an auspicious date is required.

日月五星大象同,一時八刻一移宮,造命玄機時作主,毫釐千里不相通。

Five-element, sun and moon movements around the earth in 360 days a year, with the sunrise



on the east and set of the west. The constant movement of the stars in the sky at different speed and momentum create different impact of earth. 360 degree is divided by 12 Chinese hours and every hour is divided to 8 parts. Every hour a 30-degree diversion is resulted. The selection of an auspicious date requires an absolute attentive to details.

先將晝夜別陰陽,晝夜晨昏出沒詳,十二宮中三十度,大約六度是分疆,盈縮授時毫末細,量天廣尺未能量.

The yin and yang or day and night of one day are reflected by the moon and sun. The actual time of sunset and sunrise is important. The movement of 360 degree is divided by 12 Chinese hours resulted in 30-degree movement per hour. From hour to hour, there is a deviation of 6 degree and that lead to 24 actual degrees per hour. With the movement of sun and moon at different speed, each year caused a small deviation (plus or minus) of 4 seasons and 24 solar Chinese calendar.

二十八宿七政明,論宮論度要平分,深則論宮淺論度,一分一秒不容輕,命入纏宮別五氣,日月隨度分五行.

Other stars aid the movement of sun and moon. The interactions of stars have different impact on earth. Auspicious stars are welcome and like wise the inauspicious stars generate unkind energies should be avoided. Different combination of stars every 30-degree at different time created different energy of time and space.

詳看星落何地,陽時陰候分邊際,冬夏二至陰陽極,春秋定分是平氣,平氣陰陽用可兼,猶看晝夜與宮垣.

The summer solstice and winter solstice in 24-solar Chinese calendar dictates the Yin and Yang energy of that particular year. Winter solstice is where the sun furthest away from earth in the south while the summer solstice is where sun in at the northern point of north earth. Spring and Autumn Equinox are where the sun's movements reached a state of equilibrium. Where the energies either fire or water.

略過平氣陰陽別,當極之時禍福專,陽令惟用水與亭,陰令惟愛火羅土,秋木宜兼水與亭,春金宜兼火羅土,春在分後須陰助,秋在分後須陽補.

This implies that summer is full of Yang energies while winter is at the highest energies of Yin. Some combination of four pillars whereby the favorable elements matches the Yin or Yang, Fire or Water will create auspicious setting that produce kind energies to improve the quality of life of living beings and vice-versa. Bridging agent is required when an inauspicious element surfaces. For example, if metal (unfavorable) emerges to strike or obstruct wood, a water element is required to 'bridge' the destructive impact because metal creates water and water in turn, nurtures wood.

宮辰星體兩兼收,度前度後要深求,尤向五星探伏見,逆來順去並遲留.

The nature of stars and the interactions among stars, distances as well as the 'time' or period at the point resulted many settings or combinations. Different combinations resulted different outcomes some are desire and some are not.

三方對照緊相隨,同宮隔宮一例推,拱來有青權力大,日月交授格尤奇,

Life pillar is the most critical pillar in determining a person base. Such person is strong or weak, poor or rich, famous or infamous is dictated by the stars in the life pillar. The two stars that are



critical to aid the life pillar are sun and moon. The locations or distances of moon and sun in relation to the life pillar determine the degree of impact.

身當旺命不須恩,但將用曜作根原,平令獨恩難發達,衰時得運獨無愆。

If the star is strong in life pillar, the nurture star is not required since the star can command strong standing in the pillar like wise, if the star is weak in the life pillar, a nurture star is required to help sustain it standing in the pillar. In other words, a nurture star itself is better than the one requires nurturing.

以恩爲用真至寶,以難爲用多真倒,以恩爲忌壽而貧,以難爲忌身不保,本宮端的管初年,宮若不純須舍旃,必取宮星俱妙合,長安花滿任揚鞭。

The fire and water elements (yang or yin) are two interesting and effective agents to provide bridging effect as well as create an equilibrium state of five elements. Certain elements are in your favor because you do lack of such elements. Some are unfavorable for you because you have too much of it. At the same token, too much of your favorable stars (elements) will result a state of over-dependent.

就中暗曜最難知,空地翻同實地司,寅戌兩宮光在年,丑亥二曜子中依,更有橫天氣交氣法,寅申有曜亥宮棲,巳丑卯宮亥未酉,短長多少度中移。

If the life pillar is without a main star, the opposite and other pillars' stars will have an impact, but at a smaller scale. This is the he three musketeer's effect. For instance, if Horse pillar does not have a main star, Tiger and Dog pillars' stars will create a synergy.

星書一卷失真詮,果老星宗此的傳,他般格局皆虛假,升殿入垣莫外牽,月逢晦朔皆爲福,何必蟾宮三五圓,但忌陰當薄食,七日之內勿爭先,太白晝見經天日,難忌洪水恩失權。

The seasonal energies are in command in that particular period. The interaction of such energies in relation to other stars dictates the kind or unkind energies as a result. Solar and lunar eclipses in normal circumstances produce unkind energies. This is where the sun or moon's energies being blocked away from the earth. It is advise never to use the date before and after seven days of eclipse.

日魂月魄命之根,五星五德應五倫,掌握乾坤惟此理,璣衡經緯治斯民,劉公昔日真知,此佐命行軍掃大荒,無奈星象多失學,增添宜忌漫評章,天元秘寶今朝啓,傳與義和造福祥。

Sun and moon are the base of life while the five elements also represent, among other, five virtues or values of life; benevolence, righteousness, etiquette, wisdom and honesty. . The study of astrology in the past has long lost and extensive research is required. The purpose is to improve the quality of life.

雲間五歌號天元,雖是微言是至言,其中奧旨須尋味,慎勿參語累微賢。

The knowledge written here is only a tip of the iceberg. The real master is none other than you. Many statistics with facts needed your extensive research and validations. Nevertheless, never teach the false finding and never make false readings.

## Stories from Ancient Chinese Wisdom





### 80-storeys

There was once a couple try to go back to their home at 80th storey high. They were carrying bags on their way up. Before reaching 20th storey, they were energetic and filled with funs on their face and heart. Beyond 20th storey mark, they felt the bags were too heavy and left the bags on the 25th storey. As each step approaching 40th storey, they were condemning each other and both were grumpy about not bringing water from the bag. They kept moving upward and by the time they reached beyond 60th storey, they have less to say and just looked at each other with glimpse on their face. The journey from 60 to 80 were monotonous and rather dull, by the time they reached 80-storey and realized that they left the house key in the bag at 25th storey!

(In retrospect., mMost important decisions are made in the earlier twenties. Your prime time's actions and activities shaped your identity and created a path for your journey. That is why we should always refer and check our instinct or inner heart for the true answers in life).

### The Mice

There was once a little wise was envy about the sky and said 'sky, sky, I admire you very much because you are the best, you covered the whole world and you are the invincible. Sky then replied and said 'no, no, I am not invincible, I am afraid of clouds, because clouds do block my view as and when they wanted'. The little mice then went to clouds and said 'dear clouds, I envy you all very much and you are the best and invincible'. The clouds replied and said, 'no, no, we are not, we afraid of wind, because wind will blow us away as and when the wind wanted'. The mice then went to see the wind and said 'dear wind, I envy and admire you the most because you are invincible'. The Wind said 'no, no I am not invincible, I am afraid of walls, because walls will block and knock me down badly'. The mice then went to visit the walls and said 'dear walls, I envy you the most because you are so strong and invincible'. The walls looked at the mice and said 'I do not think so, because you eat up holes on my walls as and when you wanted and I think you are invisible!

(We are all invincible)

### 成語的英文譯-Chinese Proverbs in English Translation

- 一朝被蛇咬，十年怕草繩 Once bitten, twice shy.
- 一言既出，駟馬難追 A word spoken is past recalling.
- 一見鍾情 to fall in love at first sight
- 一箭雙鷗 Kill two birds with one stone.
- 一寸光陰一寸金 Time is money.
- 一失足成千古恨 The error committed on impulse may turn out to be the sorrow of a whole life.
- 一將功名萬古枯 What millions died that Caesar might be great.
- 一年之計在於春，一日之計在於晨 Plan your year in spring and your day at dawn.
- 一人難稱百人意 You cannot please everyone.
- 一氣呵成 Never make two bites of a cherry.

### 2 劃

- 九死一生 to have a hair-breadth escape
- 人生如夢 Life is but a dream.
- 人生自古誰無死 Death comes to all men.
- 人生百歲古來稀 It is seldom that a man lives to be a hundred years old.
- 人定勝天 Man can conquer nature.



人不可貌相 Appearances are often deceptive./ Never judge a look by its cover.  
十年風水輪流轉 Every dog has its day.

### 3 劃

三思而後行 Look before you leap.  
三句不離本行 to talk shop  
三個臭皮匠勝過一個諸葛亮 Two heads are better than one.  
千鈞一髮 to hang by a hair thread  
大智若愚 He who cannot play the fool is not a wise man.  
大器晚成 Rome was not built in a day.  
山窮水盡 at the end of one's resources  
山中無老虎，猴子稱大王 Among the blind the one-eyed is king./When the cat's away, the mice will pay.  
小題大做 Make a mountain out of a molehill.  
小洞不補，大來吃苦 A stitch in time saves nine.  
小不忍則亂大謀 Patience is a virtue.  
工欲善其事，必先利其器 You cannot make bricks without straw.  
不要厚此薄彼 Don't make fish of one and flesh of another.  
不畏艱難 Take the bull by the horns.  
不要不自量力 Don't put a quarter into a pint pot.  
己所不欲勿施於人 Do unto others as you would be done.  
仁者無敵 The benevolent have no enemy.  
工欲善其事必先利器 You cannot make bricks without straw.  
亡羊補牢 Better late than never./ It's never too late to mend.

### 4 劃

不告而別 to take French leave  
不要不自量力 Don't put a quarter into a pint pot.  
不要厚此薄彼 Don't make fish of one and flesh of another.  
不畏艱難 Take the bull by the horns.  
不戰而屈人之兵 The supreme art of war is to subdue the enemy without fighting.  
不入虎穴焉得虎子 How can one obtain tiger-cubs without entering the tiger's lair.  
不經一事，不長一智 Experience is the mother of wisdom.  
少年老成 to have an old head on young shoulders  
天無絕人之路 God tempers the wind to the shorn lamb.  
天下烏鴉一般黑 Crows are black all over the world.  
天無絕人之路 God tempers the wind to the shorn lamb./ When one door shuts another opens.  
天助自助者 Heaven helps those who help themselves.  
天有不測風雲，人有旦夕禍福 It is the unexpected that always happens.  
毛遂自薦 to recommend one's own person  
心正不怕雷打 A good conscience is a soft pillow.  
化干戈為玉帛 Bury the tomahwak(hatchet).  
仁者無敵 The benevolent have no enemy.  
今日事今日畢 Never put off till tomorrow what may be done today.  
文勝於武 The pen is mightier than the sword.

### 5 劃



以身作則 to practice what one practices  
以毒攻毒 to set a thief to catch a thief  
以怨報德 to bite the hand that feeds one  
以逸待勞 To wait at ease till the enemy is exhausted.  
以寡敵眾 to fight against longer odds  
以德報怨 to render good for evil  
以其人之道還治其人之身 Set a thief to catch a thief.  
以子之矛，攻子之盾 to turn a person's battery against himself  
四大皆空 All is vanity.  
四海之內皆兄弟 All are brothers within the four seas.  
未雨綢繆 to save against a rainy day  
目不識丁 not know A from B  
失敗為成功之母 Failure is the mother of success.  
失之毫釐，差之千里 A miss is as good as a mile.  
只要功夫深，鐵杵磨成針 Little strokes fell great oaks.  
毛遂自薦 to recommend one's own person  
打落水狗 to hit a person when he's down  
打鐵趁熱 Strike while the iron is hot.  
犯錯是人之常情，寬恕是超凡的 To err is human; to forgive divine.  
只要功夫深，鐵杵磨成針 Little strokes fell great oaks.

## 6 劃

任勞任怨 to bear hardship without complaint  
自作自受 As you make your bed so you must lie on it.  
自討苦吃 to make a rod for one's own back  
自力更生 to shift for oneself  
自掃門前雪 After us the deluge.  
回頭浪子 the return of a prodigal  
先下手為強 Offence is the best defence.  
同甘共苦 to share one's joys and sorrows  
因地制宜 act according to circumstances  
有勇無謀 more brave than wise  
有備無患 Good watch prevents misfortune.  
有志者事竟成 Where there is a will, there is a way.  
有錢能使鬼推磨 Money makes the world go around. /Money talks.  
江山易改本性難移 The child is father of the man.  
百無一失 Not a single miss in a hundred times.  
百聞不如一見 To see is to believe. (Seeing is believing.)  
吃得苦中苦，方為人上人 If you wish to be the best man, you must be prepared to suffer the bitterest of the bitter.  
每人一生中皆有得意之日 Every dog has his day.  
色是假，美是空 Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty.  
吉人自有天相 The good are protected by Heaven. / All's well that ends well.  
如人飲水冷暖自知 Only the wearer knows where the shoes pain.  
吃得苦中苦，方為人上人 No gain without pain.

## 7 劃

弄巧成拙 Overreach oneself; overshoot oneself; overshoot the mark





忍無可忍 to be at the end of one's patience  
忍一時之氣免百日之憂 patience for a moment; comfort for many years  
忘恩負義 to kick down the ladder  
走馬看花 a flying visit  
防患於未然 to nip a thing in the bud  
佛要金裝，人要衣裝 Fine feathers make fine birds.  
兵精不必多 Too many cooks spoil the broth.  
身在福中不知福 The worth of a thing is best known by the want of it.  
你敬我一尺，我回你一丈 You scratch my back, and I will scratch yours.  
別狗咬呂洞賓，不識好人心 Don't bite the hand that feeds you.  
志在千里 Hitch your wagon to a star.

### 8 劃

奇裝異服 a fantastic garb  
忠言逆耳 Honest advice is unpleasant to the ear  
明辨是非 to distinguish right from wrong  
知足常樂 Happy is he who is content  
知足者富 He who feels contented is rich  
知人知面不知心 It's easy to know men's faces, but not their hearts.  
知己知彼百戰百勝 Know your enemy and know yourself.  
空中樓閣 castles in the air  
金科玉律 the gold rule  
奇裝異服 a fantastic garb  
明辨事非 to distinguish right from wrong  
雨後春筍 like bamboo shoots after a spring shower  
雨過天青 After a storm comes a calm.  
秀才不出門能知天下事 A scholar does not step outside his gate, yet he knows the happenings under the sun.  
事實勝於雄辯 Facts are most convincing.  
來得容易去得快 Easy come, easy go.  
金玉其外敗絮其中 All that glitters is not gold.  
兔子不吃窩邊草 The fox preys farthest from his hole.  
若要人不知除非己莫為 If you would not be known to do anything, never do it.  
沒有笑臉不出門 A man without a smiling face must not open a shop.  
虎父無虎子 Like father, like son.  
往者不可諫，來者猶可追 A mill cannot grind with the water that is past.

### 9 劃

姻緣天註定 Marriages are made in heaven.  
逆來順受 to make the best of a bad bargain  
流芳百世 a niche in the temple of fame  
為虎作倀 to act as guide to a tiger  
孤注一擲 to put all one's egg in one basket  
勇者不懼 A brave man will not shrink from dangers.  
洗心革面 to turn over a new leaf  
美中不足 a fly in the ointment  
背道而馳 to run counter  
走湯蹈火 to go through fire and water



風燭殘年 to have one foot in the grave  
風聲鶴唳，草木皆兵 to apprehend danger in every sound  
活到老學到老 It's never too late to learn./ Live and learn.  
前事不忘後事之師 Remember the past and it will guide your future.  
星星之火可以燎原 A single spark can start a prairie fire.  
待人寬容如待己 Live and let live.  
按部就班 Learn to walk before you run.

### 10 劃

病從口入禍從口出 Illness comes in by mouth and comes out by it.  
笑裏藏刀 a smile to hide one's hate  
留得青山在，不怕沒柴燒 Where there's life there's hope  
海底撈月 to fish in the air  
海底撈針 to look for a needle in a bundle of hay  
差之毫釐失之千里 A miss is as good as a mile  
既往不咎 Let the dead bury their dead.  
殺身成仁 to sacrifice one's life to preserve one's virtue complete  
殺雞焉用牛刀 Take not a musket to kill a butterfly  
飢不擇食 A good appetite is a good sauce.  
害群之馬 black sheep  
家醜不可外揚 Don't wash your dirty linen in public.  
恩威並濟 alternate weakness with severity  
旁觀者清 The outside sees the best of the game.  
時運不濟 to have a bad time  
殊途同歸 All roads lead to Rome .  
眾志成城/團結就是力量 Union is strength.  
疾風知勁草 Adversity reveals genius.  
旁觀者清，當局者迷 Lookers-on see most of the game.  
莫在太歲頭上動土 Let sleeping dogs lie.

### 11 劃

得意忘形 to leap out of one's skin  
捷足先登 The early bird catches the worm.  
欲速則不達 Haste makes waste  
欲速則不達 More haste, less speed.  
混水摸魚 to fish in troubled waters  
貪小失大 penny-wise and poundfoolish  
習慣成自然 once a use forever a custom  
掛羊頭賣狗肉 cry up wine and sell vinegar  
貧無立錫之地 as poor as a church mouse  
雪中送炭真君子/患難見真情 A friend in need is a friend indeed.  
異想天開 to give loose to one's fancy  
集思廣義 Two heads are better than one.  
得過且過 to live from hand to mouth  
情人眼裏出西施 Love is blind.  
冤家宜解不宜結 Better remove enmity than contract it.  
眼不見為淨 Out of sight, out of mind.



## 12 劃

勝不驕敗不餒 to be not elated by success nor disturbed by failure  
富貴在天 Riches and honors come from heaven.  
智者不惑 A wise man is free from perplexities.  
無風不起浪 There is no smoke without fire. (Where there is smoke, there is fire.)  
畫蛇添足 to paint the lily  
趁火打劫 to fish in troubled waters  
量入爲出 to cut one's coat according to one's cloth/ make both ends meet  
陽奉陰違 ostensible obedience  
跑了和尚跑不了廟 The monk may run away, but the temple can't run with him.  
萬物之靈 the lords of creation  
萬事開頭難 Everything is difficult at the start  
萬無一失 not a single miss in a thousand times.  
落井下石 to hit a person when he's down  
隔牆有耳 Pitchers have ears; walls have ears.  
開夜車 Burn the midnight oil.

## 13 劃

損人利己 to enrich oneself at others expense  
置之死地而後生 Put the trxx in death ground and they will live.  
道高一尺魔高一丈 While the priest climbs a foot, the devil climbs ten.  
預防勝於治療 Prevention is better than cure.  
新官上任三把火 New brooms sweep clean.  
塞翁失馬焉知非福 Misfortune might be a blessing in disguise.  
路遙知馬力日久見人心 A distant journey tests the strength of a horse and a long task proves the character of a man.  
滄海一粟 a drop in the bucket  
蓋棺論定 Judge none blessed before his death.  
歲月不饒人 Time and tide wait for no man.  
經驗即良師 Experience is the teacher.

## 14 劃

壽終正寢 to die a natural death (to die in one's bed)  
寡不擊眾 There is no contending against odds.  
對牛彈琴 to cast pearls before swine  
禍不單行 Misfortunes never come single.  
飽食終日無所事事 to eat the bread of idleness  
慷他人之慨 to be free with other's money  
遠親不如近鄰 Distant kinsmen mean less than close neighbors. / A near neighbor is better than a distant cousin.  
種瓜得瓜種豆得豆 You must reap what you have sown. / As you sow, so shall you reap.  
樂極生悲 After joy comes sadness.  
說曹操到曹操就到 Talk of the devil and the devil comes.  
團結就是力量 Union is strength.  
需要爲發明之母 Necessity is the mother of invention.  
滿招損，謙受益 Haughtiness invites ruin; humility receives benefits.



**15 劃**

惡有惡報 He that does evil shall find evil.  
惡事傳千里 Bad news travels quickly.  
熟能生巧 Practice makes perfect.  
緩兵之計 a fabian policy  
緣木求魚 to get water from a flint  
適者生存 the survival of the fittest  
窮寇莫追 A cornered animal is a dangerous foe.

**16 劃**

積少成多 Every little makes a mickle.  
積少成多 Every little helps.  
錢可通神 Money can move even the gods.  
謀事在人成事在天 Man proposes and God disposes.  
學問無捷徑 There is no royal road/shortcut to learning.  
機不可失 Opportunity seldom knocks twice.

**17 劃**

優勝劣敗 The weakest goes to the wall.  
聲東擊西 to look one way and row another  
膾炙人口 in everyone's mouth  
螳臂擋車 to kick against the pricks  
鞠躬盡瘁 to give the last measure of devotion  
聰明反被聰明誤 to suffer for one's wisdom  
舊調重談 to harp on the same string  
禮尚往來 Courtesy on one side cannot last long.  
禮多必詐 full of courtesy, full of craft

**18 劃**

覆水難收 What's done cannot be undone.  
轉石不生苔 A rolling stone gathers no moss.  
轉敗為勝 to convert defeat into victory  
鞭長莫及 beyond one's grasp  
關公門前耍大刀 There's no need to teach a fish to swim.

**20 劃**

嚴以責己寬以待人 to be severe with oneself and lenient with others

**21 劃**

鐵石心腸 a heart of steel

**22 劃**

聽天由命 to be guided by destiny  
驕者必敗 Pride goes before a fall.

**There is no limit to what a man can do or where he can go if he doesn't mind who gets the credit-Robert Woodruff, former president of Coca-cola**



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**Victory is not necessarily a gold medal-Gale Tanger, US figure skating judge**

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