

2009 Year of Ox—General Reading for 12 Chinese Zodiacs

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(Confirm your Chinese Zodiac with me if you are not sure. Your Chinese Zodiac as follow if your were born after Feb 4th that particular year)

What you do (feel) in current downturn of economy?

Prices of new and existing homes were dropping substantially and will continue to drop further, you have negative equity, your assets are shrinking or downsize, employment rising, foods prices rising and your job is unstable. You feel lousy and discontent about current state. Your confidence is dampened and you feel lethargic, constant argument among family members and your health is deteriorating. Stop and reorganize your thoughts and actions for a moment.

The study of a person's state of happiness (contentment or discontentment) by famous Reinhold Niebuhr resulted the following: The level of happiness of a person are determined by three factors:

1. DNA determined 50%. (Fate determined your level of happiness)
2. 10% was determined by external factors (i.e. fame and fortune)
3. 40% was determined by your thinking (perception, paradigm or mindsets)

Change Your Perception

*In other words, to change the way you think, perceive and your mindsets will be a lot easier since to **Change the external factors and DNA is next to impossible**. If you want to fell happy, you are left with one possibility that is to change the way you perceive things. You and your thoughts determine the level of happiness. When you feel happy you will radiate the energy to people surrounding and the returns will be overwhelming. It is up to you.*

To view current state of economy, it is pretty much predictable since things are always in cycle. What goes up must come down and the good thing is, what goes down will raise again and it is matter of time. There is always light at the end of the tunnel. This has been going on for the past and will continue to do the same looking forward.



RAT-1936, 1948, 1960,1972,1984,1996

Last year was a busy year that bogged you with many unsettled issues, but this year you are a lot better but still will experience what is topsy turvy all about! Nevertheless, you need to deal with your superior, your boss, the supreme one, your father or your guidance angel on many issues from beginning of the year till the end, good or bad? You tell me!!

1936 Rat will experience new assignment! Busy doing things with partners but age catching up you will end up disappointed. Remember that stress is pretty much self inflicted. **1948 Rat** is becoming competitive again even with your age, think positive and petty people around you from last year will disappear. **1960 Rat** will get surprise from some elderly person. Just a little extra careful when crossing

busy streets! **1972 Rat** is experiencing changes in job's nature, superior or even office. Move along because your boss likes you a lot, what the hake, ask him or her for a better chair! But don't push it; do not even think of asking for a raise in this economic downturn. Go with the flow and things will turn just fine. **1984 Rat** will be happy to see new relationship be it intimacy or with peers, with some luck you are the luckiest rat of all. Money and woman issues for male rat this year. Female rat will need to deal with father on specific issue! **1996 Rat** will know what investment all about and what to study. Your creative mind is working this year hopefully to your advantage.



OX-1937, 1949, 1961,1973,1985,1997

Last year you did enjoy a better year as compare to this year! You need to change your paradigm as things will not be the same as last year. Do not hang on to those feelings instead gear up and buckle up for new challenges or new environment. Listen to your deep inner voice and you might get enlightened.

1937 Ox all of sudden you will get the attention from the young ones. They might need your help or just to be with you! **1949 Ox** either have good news or a bad one, of course is a significant matter. DO not mind the petty person that might get your attention. More new friends for you this year! **1961 Ox** with changes changes and changes!! On work, on relationship and on residential! Be proactive in searching for new opportunity and be braved enough to face the litigation matter if there is one. **1973 Ox** will have new assignment, new job or even new office and superior, be alert and things will work out just fine for you. Think positive, act positive and be proactive! **1985 Ox** needs to beware of disciplinary issue with the authority! Just be extra careful when come to grievances and petty people cannot stand alone. **1997 Ox** will have special and extra attention in school! Good or bad, you decide.



TIGER-1938, 1950, 1962,1974,1986,1998

Traps, set-ups and petty people around you this year, but try this on; only for those successful people will experience such phenomena. Since this year not many auspicious stars on your side, you have to constantly on the move to keep yourself busy and running. This is a dull year for normal person!

1938 Tiger all of the sudden become more competitive and more attention is given to you. **1950 Tiger** a monotonous and a lay back year for you, nothing much to say to you here. **1962 Tiger** beware of traps and unwarranted opportunity in investment.

You need to find an attachment in order not to indulge in family matter! **1974 Tiger** becomes accessible to making money opportunity, this is a year that you are thinking of nothing but money, money and show me the money!! But I did not say that you will be earning money! Changes in residential and meeting your parents year. **1986 Tiger** will become more creative and is an evolution year for you! Remember who helped you in the past and do return such favor! **1998 Tiger** will meet new friends, new environment and experience something extra ordinary event! Be prepared for the changes.



RABBIT-1939, 1951, 1963,1975,1987,1999

One of the busiest Zodiacs in 2009 is Rabbit! Year of changes in career, new job, new environment, new superior or even new office or assignment but beware of relationship issues, be tactful when come to deal with such problem!

1939 Rabbit is about to meet more new friends and proactively searching for new challengers. **1951 Rabbit** needs to pay extra attention to relationship management especially deal with elderly. You will suddenly change the way you wear and the way you look! **1963 Rabbit** ready for litigation or job promotion issue! Emotional roller coaster year for you but just think positive and be proactive, things will work out fine. Sudden or unexpected event will occur to you, just be prepared for changes! **1975 Rabbit** privately or on personal matters you are losing touch and less attention are given to you, take positively and turn this energy to focus on your job or career instead! **1987 Rabbit** your headstrong, unwilling to take a step back has cause you instability in relationship especially with elderly! **1999 Rabbit** will be bold or at times too bold in confronting sensitive issue but should be able to do well or excel in school!



DRAGON-1940, 1952, 1964,1976,1988,2000

Unsettle event and issue at hand whole year round. This is challenging for those who must clear your outstanding matter at once. A frustration will lead you to depression and insomnia. Instead, focus your attention to spend time with family and close friends. Keep moving or traveling and changing your status quo will lessen your burden.

1940 Dragon is rather quiet year but with too many unnecessary emotional upswings, to solve this do not stay put, travel, travel and travel. **1952 Dragon** probably caught in between retires or keeps working, hard and a rock place! Listen to the voices of others especially someone far away. **1964 Dragon** becomes indulge in money issue, remember what I say, you will experience many unsolved outstanding matters that include money matter. **1976 Dragon** will go back to school again and funny thing is you become more sensitive and emotional or sentimental again. You become more creative! **1988 Dragon** becomes less dependent on others and it is good to build up your self-esteem.



Snake-1941, 1953, 1965, 1977, 1989, 2001

YEAR of good relationship management but not career! This is a year that you become more sensitive towards relationship, I think because last year all you think were work, work and work. This is good since we are not a whole but merely a part of the puzzle. Changes and chances both are co-related since you pay more attention of the sentimental value of friend or associate. Opportunity arrives is when you have no intention to get one. All of sudden you will pay more attention and time on your health matter.

1941 Snake will experience a sudden 'enlightened' and becomes more aware of surrounding. Mother Nature is fantastic and the sun rises on the east and sets on the west, just keep you wonder things are all in accordance to nature arrangement with cycle and pattern. **1953 Snake** please be aware of authority issue especially related to litigation, please be careful when signing legal paper. **1965 Snake** will worry about health problem but only to find out that it is self-inflicted, relax and drink more water! Just pay more attention when you sign on legal paper, provide more time to study the terms. The money issue will be solved soon! **1977 Snake** will become outstanding in the eye of community or public, things that you do will be noticed by concern parties, but to some this will drain away your energy because you do not like the attention!! **1989 Snake** will become independent and less relies on others to make decision. The right path to prosperity!



HORSE-1942, 1954, 1966, 1978, 1990, 2002

A year of spending, spending and spending! Over-reliance on elderly and a lethargic year but the good news is you are better off than last year. Relationship management will lead you very stressful level. Career wise, you get relief when things turn better second half of the year.

1942 Horse will need a full body check because your uncontrollable diet starts to exhaust you further. Be alert and proactive. **1954 Horse** will be rewarded accordingly, your work seemed to have unsolved issues that hang-over for quite some time. You need to be assertive, creative and be more thrifty when come to budget and financial management. **1966 Horse** might learn new thing or need sabbatical, rejuvenate yourself by traveling seem to be a good idea. You are the guidance angel for many and without you knowing you have many listeners and many followers but you should learn to be a good listener as well. **1978 Horse** will learn what competition is and cut throat scenario is all about. You even have peers or siblings back stab you and petty people around you, just remember tough time never last only tough people. Learn to hang on and never dwell on petty issues that drain your energy. Let the nature flow and things will turn better. Of course you need to work hard as well. **1990 Horse** seems required to put extra attention in studies since your mission in school is not done yet, since your teacher, lecture and professor do not agree that you leave school too soon and they are right! You should stay in school as long as you could.



SHEEP-1943, 1955, 1967, 1979, 1991, 2003

Changes, Changes and Changes, the only constant for you is change! Never let the situation control you and instead be alert and assertive to things surrounding you. You are a high profile person this year! You are dashing with the Grand Duke Jupiter and that keep you busy for the whole year. Busy, Busy and Busy year for all Goat! One thing seems to improve for you is your financial and budget management. At least you know never to over-leveraged or over-spent! 1943 Sheep quality of life improves.

1955 Sheep will be more creative when deal with figures. You are well aware of the importance of a balance sheet and must not over-spend. You become sensitive to funds around you, that funds could require your extra care and attention, never commit something that you do not master. You must be frank and honest on what you know and what you do not know to gain the trust of parties concern. **1967 Sheep** will need to attend many celebrations especially related to graduation and marriage. Please welcome such celebration because celebration will funnel the kind energy to you one way or the other. Do not resist such event rather join them and be happy for them because your turn will come. **1979 Sheep** needs to make decision to move residential, to change job or even new relationship. Make your decision wisely and get second opinion from your close friends or relatives in regards to such

changes. They might give you a clue to your decision. **1991 Sheep** beware of health problem because of your carelessness and watch out for minor traffic accidents.



MONKEY-1944, 1956, 1968,1980,1992,2004

A personal satisfaction year because many auspicious stars are on your side. A year of fostering better relationship especially intimacy one. It is also a year your financial standing become more and more independent. Have you ever wondered why many friends surrounding you either out of work or about to get layoff but not you! Come to think about it you are the lucky one. Spend time to call your parent and just a call will make their day. They just want to listen to your voice and nothing more. Pick up the phone and dial their numbers now.

1944 Monkey requires more effort in handling your lonesome year, be understandable because most of your family members have to face their own problems as well especially keeping their jobs or seeking a job! **1956 Monkey** is experiencing a rejuvenation year. Your new energy will somehow transform your action into positive outcome. Do not let your guard off and things and events will become desirable for you. Never outsmart the stock markets because you will never know when the swing will against you. Go back to learning mode; learn as much as you can this year. **1968 Monkey** will become more competitive in what ever your encounters are. Your kids are facing keen competition at school, you are facing competitive workforce at work. But one thing is certain that you have more new friends and associates and this is your advantage. You will probably get new insight from these new friends or associates that you met. **1980 Monkey** will spend before you earn to travel, you need to think and act like a responsible adult, because your action and plan affect a lot of people surrounding you. The guidance angel will appear when you just ask! **1992 Monkey** might get involve in litigation issue, settle the differences quickly and wisely, do not think things will iron-out automatically because they never will! Seek help from elderly when you are in trouble, because same peers or same age person will never offer a solution to you



ROOSTER-1945, 1957, 1969,1981,1993,2005

A fantastic year because you and the Tai Sui become 'brother'. The opportunity to talk, dine and chat with the King (your boss, superior and powerful elderly) become a norm for you this year, but do not take this for granted as things are on

your way, you need to work hard and manage your relationship well with your superior. Since you need to socialize with your boss, your diet has become a burden on your health. Avoid heavy investment and remember this year could be your turning point in life, you be in the industry that you never taught before! Be prepared for that.

1945 Rooster beware of health and petty people around you. When crossing the streets makes sure be extra careful. Financial busy year for you and your family, spend when you have to. **1957 Rooster** all of sudden you have changes in lifestyle and clothing. Socializing year for you and please do some exercises for your health improvement. **1969 Rooster** needs elderly support in career advancement and this is a very competitive year for you! But remember action speaks louder than words, do more and say less. It is also a year of traveling for you. **1981 Rooster** needs to struggle to get attention, remember to stick to your principle and accept changes when you have to. Please pay additional attention when crossing busy streets! You might need to listen to other people opinion especially those younger than you. **1993 Rooster** will experience a roller coaster year when dealing with relationship, please calm yourself down and be happy to accept changes on your way. You will be rewarded for your patient!



DOG-1934, 1946, 1958, 1970,1982,1994,2006

Thinking of changing job! Thinking of changing relationship partner! Thinking of changing the residential! All you do is just think, think and think. This is a year that you will have unsettling events and issues that require you to tackle. The way you think of the matter is simply wrong. You need to think out loud, share with others and get second opinion. The roller coaster year for 2008 is over! The volatility of your life is less this year but your indecision will frustrate you and you will put your health in jeopardy.

1934 Dog beware of health and petty people around you. Financial busy year for you and your family, spend when you have to. When crossing the road be extra careful. **1946 Dog** requires changes or facelift of residential, transportation or even a new working environment if you have to. **1958 Dog** all of sudden will have changes in the way your wear (attire/clothing). That I believe it is because of changes in workplace. Get your body check this year and tackle your problem at once should you have one. **1970 Dog** in career

indecisive mode, to leave or not to leave your current job, stay put unless you have better offer because once you leave your job without any offer chances are you will probably not getting one. Be tactful when come to relationship management. **1982 Dog** has to deal with legal issue or signing a legal document and please ensure that you read carefully before signing on one. Plan to get marry? Go ahead should be a good year for marriage. **1994 Dog** your voices attract attention even from far land. You will achieve your intention but do not get carry away. Opposite attraction! But you are too young to be in love, stop dreaming and get back to study!



BOAR-1935, 1947, 1959, 1971,1983,1995,2007

Year of traveling and revolution! It is also a year of 'irregular' income stream, all of sudden you might change your structure of work from regular to ad hoc, commission base or piece by piece work compensation. That means that you have to work hard and the more you work the better your payoff will be. Celebration for you! You have more to cheer about this year!

1935 Boar requires more attention in health! You need to sign on legal document or involve in litigation issue that involve funds or money. **1947 Boar** might get drained or stretched out from people surrounding you, be careful not to offend anyone that is 6 years older or younger than you. **1959 Boar** become competitive again at work! You are surrounded by peers, siblings and friends from the beginning of the year till then end of the year. That implying that your social life is rather exciting and full of surprises. **1971 Boar** suddenly people surrounding you are elderly or people at least 10 years older than you. Your income stream will change from regular to irregular. **1983 Boar** possible changes in residential and changes in job nature! **1995 Boar** becomes more emotional and sensitive about things and events that you undertake.

P/s: The above Zodiacs readings are for reference only, think positive and act positive because your energy around will funnel and effect your mind and therefore your action.

Think of 1 and 2.

One calligraphy master of my recently wrote 4 words in Chinese calligraphy (常想一二), which literally translate into English "Think of 1 and 2." To understand such statement we must first examine another common phrase in Chinese (人生不如意事十常八九), which translate into English, *Out of ten events in the journey of life, on normal course will bump into 8 or 9 obstacles.* Think of 1 and 2 is focus on

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the positive factors, smooth event or outcomes when come to handling predicaments. In easy term think of 'half full' and avoid 'half empty' motto. It is easily said than done you might say, well I was being negative about this one, sorry, yes, you will never feel the differences if you do not even try.

And it is true that things will always turn out right when hit rock bottom. Keep on keeping on. Learn to be a happy person. Love your family and care for friends. Reorganize your thinking and act positively whenever possible. Try strengthening the relationship and you will come out stronger and better. In good times prepare for the worse to come and in bad times welcome those as the worse might be over soon.

Do not ask me when things will turn around just 'Think of 1 and 2' in bad times!!!

The Best Dates to Start Working for the Year of Ox

1. Ideally it should be after Feb 4th, the official date for the year of OX
 - February 6th 9am
 - February 11th 3am
2. Practically you can start to work (since the New Year is fall on January 26th)
 - January 30th 7am-9am
 - February 2nd 7am -9am

2009 Places, locations and directions to avoid

Northeast-should avoid major renovation and drilling works

North-should avoid your bedroom, major renovation and drilling works

East-should avoid bedroom/renovation or drilling to be placed here

West-should avoid bedroom/living room to place here

- It is advised that you get a comprehensive reading for more accuracy!

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