

TAROT & ANCIENT NUMEROLOGY

A Universal Relationship



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Introduction to Tarot & Numerology

What is Numerology?

Numerology can be described as an esoteric medium, the study and practise of using numbers to help us to gain a deeper understanding of ourselves and our purpose in life. Numerology helps us to realise that the universe is an orchestra of vibrations of which we dance and play to our own tune.

Our divine life force is the connection that we embrace.

Developing our own understanding of this connection, grants us access to higher spiritual knowledge. Allowing us to know our soul's purpose, our challenges, and our strengths. The predictive aspect of Numerology can offer insight into the potentials that we may experience in life.

Numbers hold not just numerical value, but also mystical and symbolic value which has been appreciated by various cultures since ancient times. I do want to emphasise that whilst we can say that numbers hold a mystical and symbolic value, the extent of that value being realised, depends on the practitioner's skill.

Gematria which was developed by the Chaldeans of Babylon around 4,000 years ago is still a popular aspect of Numerology in the present-day. Chaldean Gematria as it is also known consists of applying number values to letters and from this format, higher understanding is achieved.

The most recognised systems of Numerology are:

- Chaldean- Babylon (Now known as Southern Iraq and Kuwait).
- Kabbalah- Canaan (Now known as Israel)
- Pythagorean- Pythagoras of Samos (Ancient Greek region)



The origins of Numerology can be found in Chinese, Japanese, Babylonian, Indian, Italian, and Egyptian cultures and go as far back history as 4,000 years BC.

Pythagorean numerology came a little later than its predecessors, Chaldean, and Kabbalah, and was developed by Pythagoras, the Ancient Greek mathematician from 570 BC. His system is considered modern and western although it is also ancient in origin.

Whilst we see some influence of the Chaldean and Egyptian systems in Pythagorean Numerology, there are also notable differences.

Chaldean Numerology is often referenced as the oldest system of Numerology and the most accurate. Whilst it may be true, I cannot say for certain because Vedic Numerology is considered to be older than Chaldean Numerology (According to Vedic Numerologists).

What I have found to be apparent is the common link between each system and their wisdom on how we exist as part of the cosmic energy and vibrations of our universe.

The belief that understanding this energy gives us insight into our spiritual, intellectual, and physical strengths, weaknesses, and purpose in life.

This course will focus on the insight that can be gained from applying the basic principles of Numerology to our Tarot reading practise. One system will feature some similarities with another system so we may see and even use overlapping features from the different systems.

TAROT'S RELATIONSHIP WITH NUMBERS



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Chaldean Numerology

The basis of Chaldean Numerology is that we live and function within ever-moving universal vibrations. The system's philosophy that our lives are predestined and that numbers carry vibrations and insight. Letters of the alphabet possess characteristics that are in common with and assigned to certain numbers.

The Chaldean Numerology chart references 8 numbers and the letters of the alphabet that they correspond to. It is believed that an individual's date of birth and legal name can be used to provide insight into the individual's destiny and their life experiences.



Unlike Pythagorean Numerology, Chaldean Numerology focuses on the double-digit numbers up to 99 and gives detailed descriptions for each number.

CHALDEAN NUMEROLOGY CHART							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
A	B	C	D	E	U	O	F
I	K	G	M	H	V	Z	P
J	R	L	T	N	W		
Q	S		X				
Y							

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Insight can also be given regarding personal relationships, karma and how to follow one's soul purpose and so very much more.

You will see from the Numerology Chart that the number 9 does not feature on the chart. The Chaldeans considered the number 9 to be sacred but if someone's Chaldean Numerology number calculates to the number 9, then it will be used.

To calculate an individual's single number for Chaldean Numerology, you take the name of the individual and correspond the letters to the numbers, you then add the number values of each letter together and reduce until the single digit is arrived at.

For example, Sarah Mason is calculated this way:










Sarah: $3+1+2+1+5=12$


Mason: $7+1+3+7+5=23$

$12+23=35$

$3+5=8$

Sarah's Chaldean single number is the number 8 and since the compound number is also used, which is the last double-digit number (35) before the single number (8) we will make note of this.

CHALDEAN NUMBER/PLANETS ASSIGNMENTS	
The number 1 corresponds to the Sun	
The number 2 corresponds to the Moon	
The number 3 corresponds to Jupiter	
The number 4 corresponds to Uranus	
The number 5 corresponds to Mercury	
The number 6 corresponds to Venus	
The number 7 corresponds to Neptune	
The number 8 corresponds to Saturn	
The number 9 corresponds to Mars	


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The single number gives the characteristics of the physical, outward person whilst the compound number gives insight into the deeper hidden energy that influence the single-digit number. This brief overview of Chaldean Numerology barely scratches near the surface. This is a complex system of a single numbered characteristics, compound numbers, master numbers and planetary assignments to the numbers.

The Chart above shows the planetary assignments in order of number sequence. The characteristics of each planet adds to the insight of each single number.

We then have the The Planet order to consider. This is known as the Chaldean Order: Saturn - Jupiter - Mars - Sun - Venus - Mercury - Moon. This ordering is according to the slowest to the fastest moving planet as they would have appeared to the naked eye 5,000 years ago.

Since at this point, we are beginning to go a little 'deeper' than the planned 'peek' into Chaldean Numerology, we will stop here but re-visit on the session.

Exercise 1

Chaldean Numerology

For this session you are going to carry out an exercise calculating your Chaldean numerology number. The Chaldean single number gives insight of your outward personality, this is how you, as an individual, present to the rest of the world.

The Chaldean compound number is you inner self, the hidden aspects of who you are.

A reminder of the example from the PDF for this session.

For example, Sarah Mason is calculated this way:

Sarah: $3+1+2+1+5=12$

Mason: $4+1+3+7+5=20$

$12+20=32$

$3+2=5$

Sarah's Chaldean single number is the number 5 and since the compound number is also used, which is the last double-digit number (32) before the single number (5) we will make note of this.

Question: Calculate your single and your compound number and add them in the answer box below.

Exercise 2

Chaldean Numerology

Question: Which Major Arcana Tarot Card connects to your Chaldean number?

Question: Can you describe any similarities that you can see between you and your Tarot Birth Card or even polarities?

Pythagoras's Philosophy on the Cosmos

You may wonder why we are looking a little further at Pythagoras and his philosophy? I feel it is important to make the connections when it comes to correspondences with Tarot. Forming a foundation when learning a subject is invaluable, it gives insight, confidence and understanding.

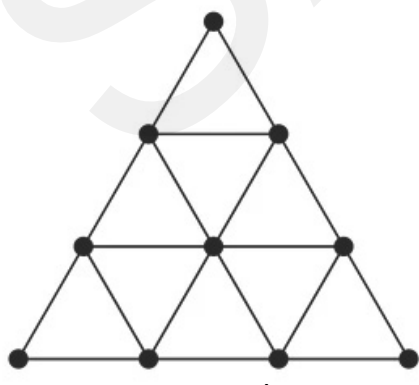
Understanding is the key, once you grasp one aspect of a subject you can move on to another and the foundation will always be there. You will have knowledge of how and why an insight is as it is. Whether you decide to go forward with that insight or develop your own is another story completely!

We looked briefly at Pythagoras in the previous session, and we will now look a little further at his philosophy on the cosmos and how numbers and letters play their part in that.

It became apparent to me whilst researching this subject that Pythagoras's genius of mathematics afforded him the brilliance of his theorem on the cosmos.

Pythagorean Tetractys

(I must mention firstly that this subject is vast, so we really are looking at a bitesize overview of the Tetractys)



The Pythagorean Tetractys is a mathematical and mystical symbol of creation and the cosmos. In a way we can describe the Tetractys as Pythagoras's mathematical and geometrical model of creation and life.

and translates to the number 4. Pythagoras believed that everything was numbered, and this philosophy formed the