

Gemini May 22-June 22

The emphasis is on your material wellbeing. You can sort out a lot in practical ways now. Communications will restore your faith in your closest relationships and boost your confidence about the support system you already have. **WATCH FOR:** Maintaining optimism.

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Cancer June 23-July 23

To make the most of life's opportunities, you really must stop harking back to the past. Regrets and sorrow are completely pointless. Life is too short for all that and you need your future thoughts to be much more positive. Focus in the present NOW. **WATCH FOR:** Timely meetings.

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Leo July 24-August 23

Get some fresh air and clear the head. Dig deep and balance things with some intense physical activity. Await developments and try not to make any major changes just yet. Take the rest you need and prepare for what is ahead. **WATCH FOR:** A dramatic turnaround.

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Virgo August 25-September 23

Autumn is going to be hectic indeed. How about a bit more exercise? In work situations, keep your cool and do not be intimidated by others. You are an equal in every respect. Do not panic and do anything for the wrong reasons. **WATCH FOR:** Extra charm!

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Libra September 24-October 23

Make the most of your silver tongue and native wit. Love heats up and provides a bit of sauce. In work, do not get caught out by not paying attention. Enjoy the distractions on offer, as love has surprises up its sleeve. **WATCH FOR:** Moving in the right direction.

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Scorpio October 24-November 22

Be brave and courageous when confronting someone. You must clear up long-term misunderstandings. Destiny has a cunning plan in place for you. You could potentially mess it up, but I'm sure you won't! **WATCH FOR:** Being on your best behaviour.

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Sagittarius November 23-December 21

Social complications may arise if you panic about a change of time, place or person. If you are organising an event, keep your cool. Honour the organic flow and let things unfold naturally. It will pay off to steer clear of any kind of dispute. **WATCH FOR:** More love and stuff.

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Capricorn December 22-January 20

A bit more trust in the benevolent universe would not go amiss. Be self-confident and spread your love around. Why not? Be vigilant and make the most of all your contacts. A light-hearted sense of fun and mischief is very much worth developing. **WATCH FOR:** Sassy confidence!

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Aquarius January 21-February 19

Your natural ebullience will clear the way for many curious moments. The adventure which is your life is about to turn a major corner. Prepare yourself and grab opportunities wholeheartedly. Just say YES. Be confident and funny when it counts. **WATCH FOR:** The next thing.

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Pisces February 20-March 21

Be assured that you have the energy to deal with all your commitments. Make the most of good trends and heightened luck. Seize the moment. Keep your ear to the ground. There is a lot of useful information flying around. **WATCH FOR:** Taking love to the next level.

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Aries March 22-April 20

Make those important calls and communicate in the right way. Use your extra confidence to convince those who matter. As always, your natural charm and charisma are your great gifts, so use them to grand effect. Love commitments look promising. **WATCH FOR:** Protecting yourself.

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Taurus April 21-May 21

Dreamy thoughts can be almost a great substitute for the real thing for now. Indulge yourself and get into lighthearted mode for self healing and progression. You will soon have to make very pragmatic moves and decisions. **WATCH FOR:** Good decisions.

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An open letter to... Trick or Treaters

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Lynda McCarthy has a Hallowe'en message for your little horrors...

No coats...and cut the cr*p!



KIDS, it's that time of year again when I contemplate turning off all the lights in the house and sitting in silence just so I don't have to look at your joyful little faces, which, for some reason, seem to aggravate my hangover.

Ultimately, though, I'm not a terrible person, so I will be accepting tiny beggars to my door – or 'Trick or Treaters', as the lawyers insist I call you.

In the gaping chasm of time since their own childhoods, your parents have forgotten that Trick or Treating is a bit humiliating. Yes, the dressing up part is fun and larking about with your friends on the road is good craic, but going door-to-door and being forced to explain your costume to dim-witted neighbours is both dull and dehumanising.

Your squeaky voices might not betray it, but in your eyes I can see that you're dying to say, "I'm a f***ing robot, obviously Sharon. Just give me the bon bons and get back to your EastEnders omnibus."

As a salve to this humiliation, I try to be quite flathulach with the sweets and brief in our obligatory exchange. It's my promise to you that I will not ask you what you're supposed to be or make cutesy conversation about how Frozen is my favourite film too (it's not, it's a derivative abomination, your Elsa costume shows a distinct lack of imagination).

But this is a two-way street and I want some assurances from you too. First of all – no coats. What is the point of dressing up if you're going to cover up with a coat? Yes, it's cold, but I'm sure it was cold out in the trenches of Somme as well – my point is: if you're not willing to die for what you believe in, does that third-rate Batman costume even mean anything, Oisín?

Secondly – keep your parents at a distance. I'll be honest with you, I probably haven't changed out of these pyjamas all day and the last thing I need is a taciturn Teddy Sheringham lookalike in a Paul Costelloe for Dunnes V-neck judging my life choices. And we both know that he'd prefer to be at home updating his Fantasy Football team rather than making small talk with me, so cut the cr*p and tell him to wait at the gate.

Lastly – I know that the closest thing you get to junk food at your house is quinoa pops covered in Fairtrade dark chocolate, but that's no reason to act like a starved ferret when I offer you real sweets from a bucket shaped like a pumpkin, wait your turn. I paid good money for this three-for-two Cadbury variety pack and I want you to say thanks – not, crucially, because I care about your manners,



SO SWEET?: Don't forget a "Thank you"

but because I don't want to have to plaster a smile on my face awkwardly while your mother pretends like she's going to return the sweets if you're not polite. That's your own familial power struggle; please keep it off my front porch.

Also, it's worth noting that your parents don't want you to be happy and as such, will try and siphon off a portion of your chocolate while you are sleeping. A little sugar is good for the soul and if they disagree with you, you can tell them that the lady from the newspaper was raised on a diet of off-brand potato waffles and second-hand smoke, and she turned out just fine.

*Yours with gravitas,
Lynda*



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