

Seven-fold Personality Development Spread

	Sun (Ego)	Moon (Emotions)	Mercury (Intellect)	Venus (Desires)	Mars (Actions)	Jupiter (Expansion)	Saturn (Limitation)
Past	Card #1 I Was	Card #2 I Felt	Card #3 I Thought	Card #4 I Wanted	Card #5 I Got	Card #6 I Grew	Card #7 I Learned
Present	Card #8 I Am	Card #9 I Feel	Card #10 I Think	Card #11 I Want	Card #12 I Get	Card #13 I Grow	Card #14 I Learn
Future	Card #15 I Will Be	Card #16 I Will Feel	Card #17 I Will Think	Card #18 I Will Want	Card #19 I Will Get	Card #20 I Will Grow	Card #21 I Will Learn

I'm always looking for creative ways to merge astrological principles with tarot. The 7 X 3 arrangement of the Romany Spread offers an ideal opportunity because it aligns well with the seven planets of traditional astrology as aspects of the personality. (I don't use the three modern planets here because they don't add anything of value for this purpose.)

This spread can be read across the rows to create a personality profile for different windows in time, or down the columns to focus on the development of one characteristic over a longer period. The spread is quite elastic; you can populate only the specific column(s) that you want to examine. Thus, it can become a set of three-card "snapshots" of different facets of personal evolution. This would in turn create more possible combinations; for example, "What did/does he feel, think and want, then, now and in the future?" could also be read as three cards across as well as down to create a nine-card square. Note that the "I" in each position is rhetorical. It could just as easily be "he or she" (or "they" if you're so inclined).