

I Ching Cards Study Spread

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This is a spread for I Ching cards. It's called a study spread because, for each Primary hexagram, all of the other hexagrams will always be the same. In other words, when using this spread, the only random card is the first one, and there are only 64 possible readings. You can use the spread for regular divination (reading about a situation) or as a study of hexagram relationships.

	E			T6
				T5
R	P	N	I	T4
		S		T3
	O			T2
				T1

Primary. *Shuffle and draw a card.* Describes the situation. The rest of the spread expands on the meaning of the Primary.

Nuclear. *Lines 2, 3, 4, 3, 4, 5 of the Primary.* The hidden or unnoticed aspects of the situation. Something present but below the surface.

Seed. *The nuclear (lines 2, 3, 4, 3, 4, 5) of the Nuclear.* The most basic character of the situation, one of four: 1. Active; 2. Receptive; 63. Complete; or 64. Incomplete.

Reverse. *Switch the trigrams of the Primary (lines 4, 5, 6, 1, 2, 3 of the Primary).* If the lower and upper, inner and outer, elements of the situation were reversed, it would be like this. But it's not.

Inverse. *Turn the Primary upside-down (lines 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 of the Primary).* Where the situation is headed. Near future.

Opposite. *Change the all lines of the Primary.* What the situation is not.

Evolutionary. *Line 1 is the changed Primary line 6. All other lines move up one position (Primary lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 become Evolutionary lines 2, 3, 4, 5, 6).* How the situation will develop. Longer-term future or outcome.

Transitionals. *Change each line of the Primary to get each corresponding Transitional. Change only line 1 to get Transitional 1, change only line 2 to get Transitional 2, etc.* Each changing line text of the Primary leads to its corresponding Transitional. Six possibilities the situation could change into.