

# I Ching

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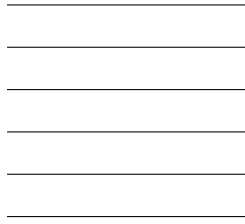
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# 1 乾 (Qián) - The Creative



乾

## Judgment

元亨利貞

First, offered, abundant, fated

## Line 1

潛龍勿用

Dragon lies hidden, bide your time

## Line 2

見龍在田，利見大人

Dragon emerges in the field, it is beneficial to meet the great one

### Line 3

君子終日乾乾，夕惕若，厲无咎

The noble one toils all day, alert at dusk, danger but no blame

### Line 4

或躍在淵，无咎

Perchance a leap into the abyss, no blame

### Line 5

飛龍在天，利見大人

Dragon soars in the heavens, it is beneficial to meet the great one

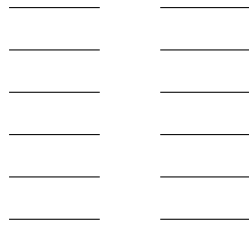
### Line 6

亢龍有悔

Dragon overreaches, regret follows



## 2 坤 (Kūn) - The Receptive



坤

### Judgment

元亨，利牝馬之貞。君子有攸往，先迷後得主，利。西南得朋，東北喪朋。安貞吉。

Primal offering, beneficial is the mare's steadfastness. The superior man has a destination, initially lost then obtaining guidance, beneficial. Southwest gains friends, northeast loses friends. Peaceful divination is auspicious.

### Line 1

履霜堅冰至

Stepping on frost, firm ice draws near.

### Line 2

直方大，不習无不利

Straight, square, great; unpracticed, yet all is beneficial

### Line 3

含章可貞，或從王事，无成有終

Harboring beauty suits destiny's way. Perhaps aiding royal deeds—no triumph, yet a close.

### Line 4

括囊无咎无譽

Sack sealed tight. No fault, no praise.

### Line 5

黃裳元吉

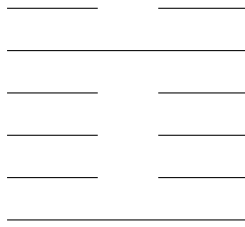
Yellow skirts, primal auspiciousness

### Line 6

龍戰於野，其血玄黃

Dragons war in the wilds. Blood runs black and yellow.

### 3 屯 (Zhūn) - Difficulty at the Beginning



屯

#### Judgment

元亨利貞，勿用有攸往，利建侯

Primal offering, bounty is fated. Do not act to advance, beneficial to establish a chief.

#### Line 1

磐桓，利居貞，利建侯

Rock steady. Profit in home's fate. Benefit in lifting a chief

#### Line 2

屯如遭如，乘馬班如，匪寇婚媾，女子貞不字，十年乃字

Difficulty and circling, horses in formation. Not bandits but seeking marriage. The woman, as divined, bears not; after ten years, she bears

### Line 3

即鹿无虞，惟入于林中，君子幾不如舍，往吝

Approaching deer without a forester, only entering the forest. The noble one nearly better to abandon; advancing brings regret

### Line 4

乘馬班如，求婚媾，往吉，无不利

Horses in formation, seeking marriage. Advancing is auspicious, all is beneficial

### Line 5

屯其膏，小貞吉，大貞凶

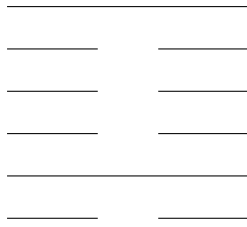
Gather what is most vital. Small inspiration auspicious, grand aspiration ominous.

### Line 6

乘馬班如，泣血漣如

Riding in formation, tears of blood rippling.

## 4 蒙 (Méng) - Youthful Folly



蒙

### Judgment

亨。匪我求童蒙，童蒙求我。初筮告，再三瀆，瀆則不告。利貞。

Offering. Not I seek the youthful fool, the youthful fool seeks me. The first divination speaks—repeated thrice profanes, profaned it won't speak. Bounty is fated.

### Line 1

發蒙，利用刑人，用說桎梏，以往吝。

Unveiling folly, advantage in punishing others, removing shackles—going forth brings regret.

### Line 2

包蒙吉，納婦吉，子克家。

Embracing folly—fortunate. Accepting a wife—fortunate. The son masters the household.

### Line 3

勿用取女，見金夫，不有躬，无攸利

Don't take this woman—she sees a man of wealth, lacks self—no advantage anywhere.

### Line 4

困蒙，吝

Trapped in folly—regret.

### Line 5

童蒙，吉

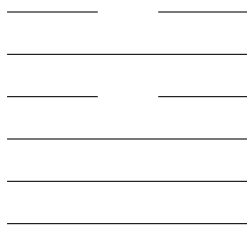
Childlike folly—fortunate.

### Line 6

擊蒙，不利為寇，利御寇

Striking folly, not beneficial to be a bandit, beneficial to repel bandits

## 5 需 (Xū) - Waiting



需

### Judgment

有孚，元亨，貞吉，利涉大川

Trust binds. Primal offering, fated good. Bounty in crossing great rivers.

### Line 1

需于郊，利用恆，无咎

Waiting at the edge. Gain in holding fast. No fault.

### Line 2

需于沙，小有言，終吉

Waiting on sand. Small words rise. Good end.

### Line 3

需于泥，致寇至

Waiting in mud. Bandits draw near.

### Line 4

需于血，出自穴

Waiting in blood. Emerging from the pit.

### Line 5

需于酒食，貞吉

Waiting with wine and meat. Divination auspicious.

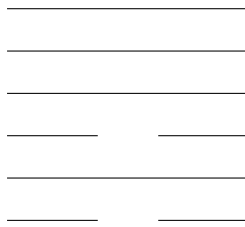
### Line 6

入于穴，有不速之客三人來，敬之終吉

Entering the pit. Three unbidden guests arrive. Honor them—good end.



## 6 訟 (Sòng) - Contention



訟

### Judgment

有孚窒惕，中吉，終凶。利見大人，不利涉大川。

Having trust obstructed, cautious, midway fortunate, ending ominous. Beneficial to meet the great person, not beneficial to cross great rivers.

### Line 1

不永所事，小有言，終吉

Not prolonging the matter, slight words arise, ultimately fortunate

### Line 2

不克訟，歸而逋，其邑人三百戶，无眚

Unable to contend, returning in flight, the village of three hundred households, no calamity

### Line 3

食舊德，貞厲，終吉，或從王事，无成

Living off old virtue, steadfast danger, ultimately fortunate, perhaps following the king's affairs,  
no completion

### Line 4

不克訟，復即命渝，安貞吉

Unable to contend, returning to accept the mandate's change, peaceful steadfastness fortunate

### Line 5

訟元吉

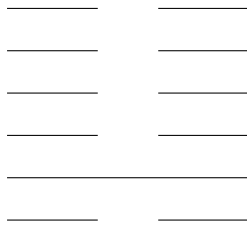
Contention, primal auspiciousness

### Line 6

或錫之鞶帶，終朝三褫之

Perhaps granted a ceremonial belt, by day's end thrice stripped away

## 7 師 (Shī) - The Army



師

### Judgment

貞丈人吉，无咎

Fate favors the seasoned leader—fortunate, no fault.

### Line 1

師出以律，否臧凶

The army marches with discipline—lacking this, ominous.

### Line 2

在師中吉，无咎，王三錫命

Within the army's center—fortunate, no fault. The king thrice bestows command.

### Line 3

師或輿屍，凶

The army perhaps carries corpses—ominous.

### Line 4

師左次，无咎

The army camps on the left—no fault.

### Line 5

田有禽，利執言，无咎，長子帥師，弟子輿屍，貞凶

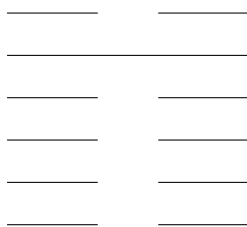
Game in the fields, advantage in seizing words—no fault. The eldest son leads the army, the younger hauls corpses—fate ominous.

### Line 6

大君有命，開國承家，小人勿用

The great ruler issues a mandate, founding states, sustaining houses—don't employ the small folk.

## 8 比 (Bǐ) - Union



比

### Judgment

吉。原筮元永貞，无咎。不寧方來，後夫凶。

Auspicious. Original divination: primal, enduring divination, no blame. Unsettled regions come, the latecomer ominous.

### Line 1

有孚比之，无咎。有孚盈缶，終來有他吉

With trust uniting, no blame. With trust filling the jar, ultimately other fortune arrives

### Line 2

比之自内，貞吉

Uniting from within, auspicious divination

### Line 3

比之匪人

Uniting with the wrong ones

### Line 4

外比之，貞吉

Uniting outwardly, auspicious divination

### Line 5

顯比，王用三驅，失前禽，邑人不誡，吉

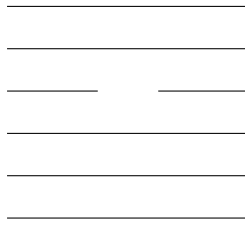
Manifest union, the king uses three drives, losing game ahead, the village unalarmed, fortune

### Line 6

比之无首，凶

Union without a head, ominous

## 9 小畜 (Xiǎo Chù) - Small Taming



小畜

### Judgment

亨。密雲不雨，自我西郊。

Offering. Dense clouds, not raining, from our western outskirts.

### Line 1

復自道，何其咎，吉

Return by the path, what fault is there? Auspicious

### Line 2

牽復，吉

Pulled back. Fortune follows.

### Line 3

輿說輻，夫妻反目

The cart releases its spokes, husband and wife turn against each other

### Line 4

有孚，血去惕出，无咎

Faith holds. Blood fades, fear lifts. No fault.

### Line 5

有孚攣如，富以其鄰

Faith binds tight. Wealth spreads to the neighbor.

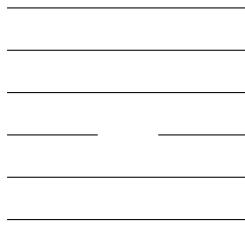
### Line 6

既雨既處，尚德載，婦貞厲，月幾望，君子征凶

Rain falls, then rests. Virtue bears high. Woman's way perilous. Moon nears full. The superior marches to ruin.



## 10 履 (Lǚ) - Treading



履

### Judgment

履虎尾，不咥人，亨

Treading the tiger' s tail, it does not bite, offering.

### Line 1

素履，往无咎

Plain treading, going without blame

### Line 2

履道坦坦，幽人貞吉

Treading a smooth path, the secluded one, auspicious divination

### Line 3

眇能視，跛能履，履虎尾，咥人凶，武人為于大君

One-eyed yet seeing, lame yet treading, treading the tiger's tail, it bites—ominous, the warrior  
acts for the great ruler

### Line 4

履虎尾，愬愬，終吉

Treading the tiger's tail, trembling, ultimately auspicious

### Line 5

夬履，貞厲

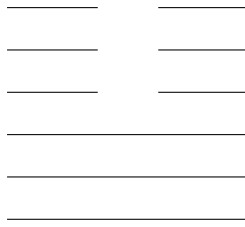
Resolute treading, danger is destined

### Line 6

視履考祥，其旋元吉

Observing treading, examining omens, its return brings primal auspiciousness

# 11 泰 (Tài) - Peace



泰

## Judgment

小往大來，吉亨

The small departs, the great arrives, auspicious offering.

## Line 1

拔茅茹，以其彙，征吉

Pulling up thatch with its roots, together advancing is auspicious

## Line 2

包荒，用馮河，不遐遺，朋亡，得尚于中行

Embracing the wild, crossing the river boldly, not neglecting the distant, companions lost, gaining favor in the middle path

### Line 3

无平不陂，无往不復，艱貞无咎，勿恤其孚，于食有福

No level without slope, no going without return, hardship is destined, no blame, do not mourn its  
trust, in sustenance lies blessing

### Line 4

翩翩，不富以其鄰，不戒以孚

Fluttering down, not wealthy yet with neighbors, not wary yet with trust

### Line 5

帝乙歸妹，以祉元吉

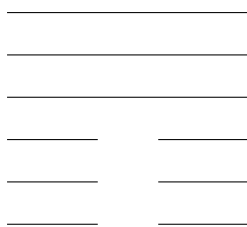
Emperor Yi marries off his sister, with blessings primary fortune

### Line 6

城復于隍，勿用師，自邑告命，貞吝

The city wall falls into the moat, do not wield the army, from the village comes the mandate, regret  
is destined

## 12 否 (Pǐ) - Obstruction



否

### Judgment

否之匪人，不利君子貞，大往小來

Obstruction by the wrong ones, not beneficial to the noble one's fate, the great departs, the small arrives

### Line 1

拔茅茹，以其彙，吉

Pulling up thatch with its roots, together, auspicious

### Line 2

包承，小人吉，大人否亨

Embracing submission, the petty one auspicious, the great one obstructed, sacrifice

### Line 3

包羞

Embracing shame

### Line 4

有命无咎，畴離祉

With a mandate no blame, companions part with blessings

### Line 5

休否，大人吉，其亡其亡，繫于苞桑

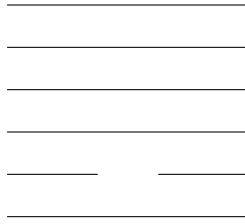
Resting from obstruction, the great one fortunate, 'it's gone, it's gone,' tied to a mulberry bush

### Line 6

傾否，先否後喜

Overturning obstruction, first obstructed then joy

## 13 同人 (Tóng Rén) - Fellowship



同人

### Judgment

同人于野，亨。利涉大川，利君子貞。

Fellowship in the open, offering. Beneficial to cross great rivers, beneficial to the noble one's fate.

### Line 1

同人于門，无咎

Fellowship at the gate, no blame

### Line 2

同人于宗，吝

Fellowship within the clan, regret

### Line 3

伏戎于莽，升其高陵，三歲不興

Hiding warriors in the thickets, ascending the high ridge, three years without rising

### Line 4

乘其墉，弗克攻，吉

Mounting the wall, unable to attack, auspicious

### Line 5

同人先號咷而後笑，大師克相遇

Fellowship first wails then laughs, the great army prevails in meeting

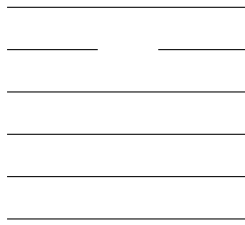
### Line 6

同人于郊，无悔

Fellowship in the outskirts, no regret



## 14 大有 (Dà Yǒu) - Great Possession



大有

### Judgment

元亨

Primal offering, bounty flows.

### Line 1

无交害，匪咎，艱則无咎

No mingling with harm, not at fault, hardship ensures no blame

### Line 2

大車以載，有攸往，无咎

Great cart loaded. Somewhere to go, no fault.

**Line 3**

公用亨于天子，小人弗克

The duke offers to the Son of Heaven, the small folk cannot

**Line 4**

匪其彭，无咎

Not their excess. No fault.

**Line 5**

厥孚交如，威如，吉

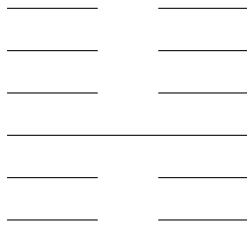
His trust binds, awe inspires, auspicious

**Line 6**

自天祐之，吉无不利

Heaven's aid rains down. Lucky, all edges sharp.

## 15 謙 (Qiān) - Humility



謙

### Judgment

亨。君子有終。

Offering. The noble one has completion.

### Line 1

謙謙君子，用涉大川，吉

Humble upon humble, the noble one crosses great rivers, auspicious

### Line 2

鳴謙，貞吉

Resounding humility, auspicious fate

### Line 3

勞謙，君子有終，吉

Toiling in humility, the noble one has completion, auspicious

### Line 4

无不利，撝謙

No disadvantage, wielding humility

### Line 5

不富以其鄰，利用侵伐，无不利

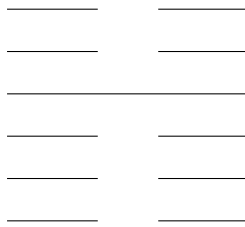
Not wealthy yet with neighbors, beneficial to invade and strike, no disadvantage

### Line 6

鳴謙，利用行師，征邑國

Resounding humility, beneficial to deploy the army, conquering village and state

## 16 豫 (Yù) - Enthusiasm



豫

### Judgment

利建侯行師

Beneficial to establish a lord and deploy the army

### Line 1

鳴豫，凶

Boasting enthusiasm, ominous

### Line 2

介于石，不終日，貞吉

Firm as stone, not lasting the day, steadfast fortune

### Line 3

盱豫，悔，遲有悔

Gazing upward in enthusiasm, regret, delay brings regret

### Line 4

由豫，大有得，勿疑，朋盍簪

Through enthusiasm, great gains, do not doubt, companions gather like hairpins

### Line 5

貞疾，恆不死

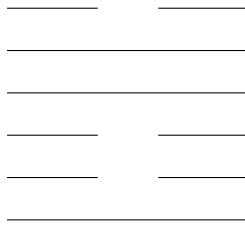
Steadfast in illness, persisting without death

### Line 6

冥豫，成有渝，无咎

Dark enthusiasm, completion with change, no blame

## 17 隨 (Suí) - Following



隨

### Judgment

元亨利貞，无咎

Primal offering, harvest fated. No fault.

### Line 1

官有渝，貞吉，出門交有功

Office shifts. Divination good. Step out, join—success.

### Line 2

繫小子，失丈夫

Tied to the young. Lose the grown.

### Line 3

繫丈夫，失小子，隨有求得，利居貞

Tied to the grown. Lose the young. Following gains what's sought. Bounty in dwelling's way.

### Line 4

隨有獲，貞凶，有孚在道，以明，何咎

Following takes hold. Fate darkens. Trust on the path, with clarity—no fault.

### Line 5

孚于嘉，吉

Trust in the fine. Good fortune.

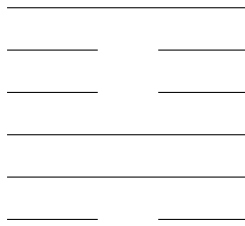
### Line 6

拘繫之，乃從維之，王用亨于西山

Bound tight, then held fast. The king offers at West Mountain.



## 18 蠱 (gǔ) - Work on the Decayed (Decay)



蠱

### Judgment

蠱，元亨，利涉大川，先甲三日，後甲三日。

Decay, great success, beneficial to cross the great river, three days before the first day of the month, three days after the first day of the month.

### Line 1

干父之蠱，有子，考無咎，厲終吉。

Address the father's corruption, having a son, the father has no blame, danger ultimately leads to good fortune.

### Line 2

干母之蠱，不可貞。

Address the corruption of the mother, it is not to be relied upon.

### Line 3

干父之蠱，小有悔，無大咎。

Dry the father's pestilence, there is a small regret, no great blame.

### Line 4

裕父之蠱，往見吝

Enrich the father's corruption, going will encounter disgrace.

### Line 5

干父之蠱，用譽。

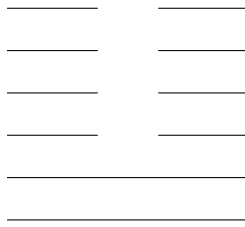
Cleanse the father's corruption, use praise.

### Line 6

不事王侯，高尚其事。

Do not serve kings and lords, elevate the importance of one's own affairs.

## 19 臨 (Lín) - Nearing



臨

### Judgment

元亨利貞，至于八月有凶

Primal offering. Harvest. Fated order. Eighth month brings danger.

### Line 1

咸臨，貞吉

All approach. Divination good.

### Line 2

咸臨，吉，无不利

All approach. Good fortune. Nothing lacks benefit.

### Line 3

甘臨，无攸利，既憂之，无咎

Willing approach. No benefit. Worry clears fault.

### Line 4

至臨，无咎

Utmost approach. No fault.

### Line 5

知臨，大君之宜，吉

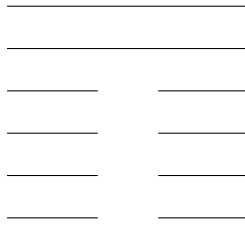
Know the approach. Fit for the great ruler. Good fortune.

### Line 6

敦臨，吉，无咎

Earnest approach. Good fortune. No fault.

## 20 觀 (Guān) - Observation



觀

### Judgment

盥而不薦，有孚顒若，利貞

Ablution, not yet offering. Trust shines forth. Bounty divined.

### Line 1

童觀，小人无咎，君子吝

Child's observation. No fault for the small folk, regret for the superior.

### Line 2

窺觀，利女貞

Peering observation. Advantage in a woman's fate.

### Line 3

觀我生，進退

Observing my life, advancing or retreating.

### Line 4

觀國之光，利用賓于王

Observing the kingdom's radiance. Advantage in serving the king.

### Line 5

觀我生，君子无咎

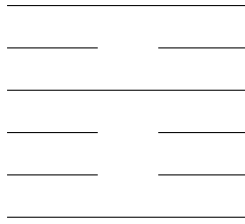
Observing my life, the superior finds no fault.

### Line 6

觀其生，君子无咎

Observing their life, the superior finds no fault.

## 21 噬嗑 (Shì Kè) - Biting Through



噬嗑

### Judgment

亨，利於用獄

Offering flows. Benefit in using justice.

### Line 1

屨校滅趾，无咎

Sandals in stocks. Toes crushed. No fault.

### Line 2

噬膚滅鼻，无咎

Bite the flesh. Nose crushed. No fault.

### Line 3

噬臘肉遇毒，小吝，无咎

Bite dried meat. Meet poison. Small regret. No fault.

### Line 4

噬乾肺，得金矢，利艱貞，吉

Bite tough meat. Gain gold arrow. Benefit in hard divination. Good fortune.

### Line 5

噬乾肉，得黃金，貞厲，无咎

Bite dry meat. Gain yellow gold. Divination warns. No fault.

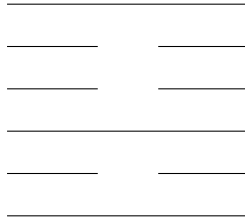
### Line 6

何校滅耳，凶

Neck in stocks. Ears crushed. Danger.



## 22 賁 (bì) - Grace



賁

### Judgment

賁，亨，小利有攸往。

Grace, flourishing, it is beneficial for the small to have somewhere to go.

### Line 1

賁其趾，舍車而徒。

Adorn his toes, abandon the chariot and walk.

### Line 2

賁其須。

Adorn his whiskers.

### Line 3

賁如濡如，永貞吉。

Adorned like wet, enduring correctness is auspicious.

### Line 4

貝如白如，白馬翰如，徒寇婚嫁。

Adorned like white, white horse adorned, not bandits but wedding.

### Line 5

賁于丘園，束帛戔戔，吝，終吉。

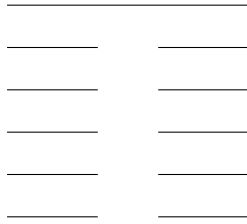
Adorned at the hill garden, the bundle of silk is meager, there is regret, but in the end, good fortune.

### Line 6

白賁，無咎。

White adornment, no blame.

## 23 剥 (bō) - Splitting Apart



剥

### Judgment

剥，不利有攸往。

Splitting Apart, not beneficial to have a place to go.

### Line 1

剥床以足，蔑貞凶。

The bed is stripped at the foot, no integrity, danger.

### Line 2

剥床以辨，蔑貞凶。

Peel the bed with its frame, no integrity leads to misfortune

**Line 3**

剥之無咎

Peel it without fault.

**Line 4**

剥床以膚，凶

The bed is stripped to the skin, ominous.

**Line 5**

貫魚，以宮人寵，無不利。

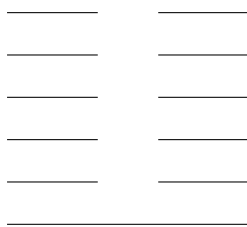
Stringing fish, with the favor of palace people, nothing is not beneficial.

**Line 6**

碩果不食，君子得輿，小人剥廬

The large fruit is not eaten; the gentleman gets a carriage, the small person peels the hut.

## 24 復 (fù) - Return (The Turning Point)



復

### Judgment

復，亨。出入無疾，朋來無咎。反復其道，七日來復，利有攸往。

Return. Going out and entering without affliction, friends come without blame, returning to its path, seven days come return, beneficial to have somewhere to go.

### Line 1

不遠復，無祇悔，元吉。

Not far from returning, without any regrets, great good fortune.

### Line 2

休復，吉

Rest and recover, auspicious.

### Line 3

頻復，厲無咎。

Repeatedly returning, danger but no blame.

### Line 4

中行獨復

Middle path, solitary return

### Line 5

敦復，無悔。

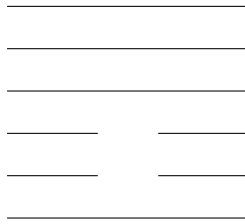
Dun Fu, no regrets.

### Line 6

迷復，凶，有災眚，用行師，終有大敗，以其國君凶，至于十年不克征。

Lost in return, ominous, there will be calamity and misfortune, if using troops, it will ultimately lead to a great defeat, bringing misfortune to the ruler of the state, to the point that for ten years they will not be able to campaign.

## 25 无妄 (Wú Wàng) - Innocence



无妄

### Judgment

元亨利貞，其匪正有眚，不利有攸往

Primal offering succeeds, bounty divined. If not upright, flaws arise—unfavorable to venture forth.

### Line 1

无妄往，吉

Innocence ventures forth—fortunate.

### Line 2

不耕穫，不菑畲，則利有攸往

No tilling for harvest, no clearing for fields, then advantage in venturing forth.

### Line 3

无妄之災，或繫之牛，行人之得，邑人之災

Innocence meets calamity—perhaps a tethered cow. A traveler gains, a villager loses.

### Line 4

可貞，无咎

Fate holds firm—no fault.

### Line 5

无妄之疾，勿藥有喜

Innocence' s ailment—don' t medicate, joy comes.

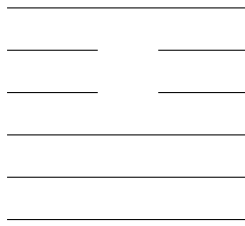
### Line 6

无妄，行有眚，无攸利

Innocence acts, flaws arise—no advantage anywhere.



## 26 大畜 (dà chù) - The Taming Power of the Great



大畜

### Judgment

大畜，利貞，不家食吉，利涉大川。

The Taming Power of the Great, beneficial for determination, good fortune not eating at home, beneficial for crossing the great river.

### Line 1

有厲利已

There is danger, it is advantageous to stop.

### Line 2

輿說輻

The cart's spokes are loosened.

### Line 3

公用號于天子，小人不可

The Duke uses a fine horse at the Son of Heaven's, the small man is not capable.

### Line 4

童牛之牯，元吉。

The young ox's yoke, great good fortune.

### Line 5

豫豪之牙，吉。

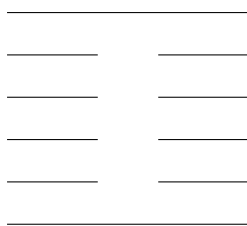
The tusks of a gelded pig, auspicious.

### Line 6

何天之衢，亨。

What heaven's thoroughfare, it is prosperous.

## 27 頤 (yí) - The Corners of the Mouth (Providing Nourishment)



頤

### Judgment

頤，貞吉，觀頤，自求口實。

The Corners of the Mouth, correct and auspicious. Observe the Corners of the Mouth, seek food for the mouth.

### Line 1

舍爾靈龜，觀我朵頤，凶。

Abandon your spirit turtle, observe my drooping jaw, misfortune.

### Line 2

顛頤，拂經于丘頤，征凶。

Topsy-turvy nourishment, brushing against the ridge of nourishment, to go out is ominous.

### Line 3

拂頤，貞凶，十年勿用，無攸利。

Opposing nourishment, determination leads to misfortune, for ten years do not use, no benefit.

### Line 4

顛頤吉，虎視眈眈，其欲逐逐，無咎。

Topsy-turvy nourishment is auspicious. The tiger gazes intently, its desire urgent, no blame.

### Line 5

虎視眈眈，其欲逐逐，無戢。

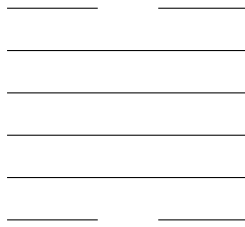
Tiger gazes intently, its desire intense, no blame.

### Line 6

由頤，厲吉，利涉大川。

By nourishment, danger then good fortune, beneficial to cross the great river.

## 28 大過 (Dà Guò) - Great Exceeding



大過

### Judgment

棟撓，利有攸往，亨

Ridgepole sags. Benefit in having somewhere to go. Offering flows.

### Line 1

藉用白茅，无咎

Use white grass for the mat. No fault.

### Line 2

枯楊生稊，老夫得其女妻，无不利

Withered poplar sprouts shoots. Old man gets young wife. Nothing lacks benefit.

### Line 3

棟橈，凶

Ridgepole bends. Danger.

### Line 4

棟隆，吉；有它吝

Ridgepole raised. Good fortune. Something else brings regret.

### Line 5

枯楊生華，老婦得士夫，无咎无譽

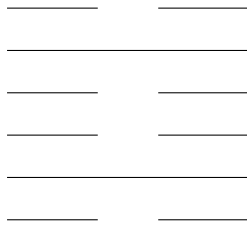
Withered poplar bears flowers. Old woman gets young husband. No fault, no praise.

### Line 6

過涉滅頂，凶，无咎

Wade through, head submerged. Danger, but no fault.

## 29 坎 (Kǎn) - The Abyss



坎

### Judgment

習坎，有孚，維心亨，行有尚

Mastering the abyss, trust endures. The heart succeeds, action gains honor.

### Line 1

習坎入坎，窞，凶

Mastering the abyss, entering the abyss—pitfall, ominous.

### Line 2

坎有險，求小得

The abyss holds peril. Seeking small gains succeeds.

### Line 3

來之坎坎，險且枕，入于坎窞，勿用

Coming through abyss upon abyss, peril and resting place. Entering the pit—don't act.

### Line 4

樽酒簋貳，用缶，納約自牖，終无咎

A flask of wine, two bowls, using an earthen jar. Pledges enter through the window—ultimately no fault.

### Line 5

坎不盈，祗既平，无咎

The abyss not full, the ridge now level—no fault.

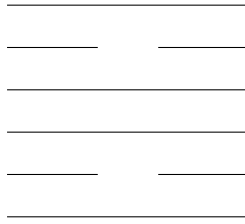
### Line 6

繫用徽纆，寘于叢棘，三歲不得，凶

Bound with cords and ropes, placed amid thorns. Three years without release—ominous.



## 30 離 (lí) - The Clinging (Fire)



離

### Judgment

離，利貞，亨，畜牝牛吉。

The Clinging, beneficial to determine, flourishing, raising a female cow is auspicious.

### Line 1

履錯然，敬之無咎。

Treading on what is uneven, be respectful and there will be no blame.

### Line 2

黃離，元吉。

Yellow departing, great fortune.

### Line 3

日昃之離，不鼓缶而歌，則大耋之嗟，凶。

The sun declines at the time of leaving. If one does not beat the earthenware drum and sing, then there will be the lament of old age, misfortune.

### Line 4

突如其來如，焚如，死如，棄如。

Suddenly coming like this, burning like this, dying like this, being abandoned like this.

### Line 5

出涕沱若，戚嗟若，吉。

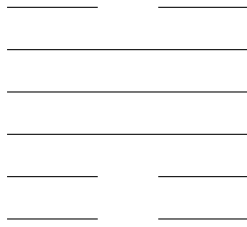
Tears flow in streams, mourning with sighs, auspicious.

### Line 6

王用出征，有嘉折首，獲匪其醜，無咎。

The king uses this to go out on a campaign, there is auspiciousness in beheading, capturing not the enemy's troops, no blame.

## 31 咸 (Xián) - All



咸

### Judgment

咸，亨，利貞，取女吉

All. Offering flows. Benefit in fated order. Taking a wife auspicious.

### Line 1

咸其拇

All in the big toe.

### Line 2

咸其腓，凶，居吉

All in the calf. Danger. Dwelling auspicious.

### Line 3

咸其股，執其隨，往吝

All in the thigh. Holding to following. Going regret.

### Line 4

貞吉，悔亡，憧憧往來，朋從爾思

Divination auspicious. Regret gone. Restless coming and going. Friends follow your thoughts.

### Line 5

咸其脢，无悔

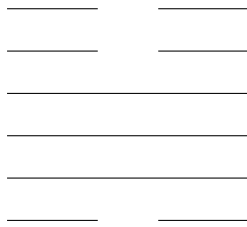
All in the back. No regret.

### Line 6

咸其輔，頰，舌

All in the jaws, cheeks, tongue.

## 32 恆 (héng) - Duration



恆

### Judgment

恆，亨，無咎，利貞，利有攸往。

Duration: flourishing, without blame, beneficial for determination, beneficial to have somewhere to go.

### Line 1

浚恆，貞凶，無攸利。

Deepen the constancy, determine danger, no benefit.

### Line 2

悔亡

Regret vanishes.

### Line 3

不恆其德，或承之羞，貞吝

Does not maintain his virtue, perhaps receives shame, perseverance brings regret

### Line 4

田无禽

The fields have no game.

### Line 5

恆其德，貞，婦人吉，夫子凶。

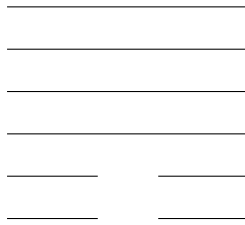
Constant in virtue, determined, for a woman it is auspicious, for a man it is ominous.

### Line 6

振恆，凶。

Shaking constancy, ominous.

## 33 遯 (Dùn) - Retreat



遯

### Judgment

遯，亨，小利貞

Retreat, offering succeeds. Small bounty divined.

### Line 1

遯尾，厲，勿用有攸往

Retreat at the tail—danger, don't venture forth.

### Line 2

執之用黃牛之革，莫之勝說

Hold it with yellow oxhide—none can break free.

### Line 3

係遯，有疾厲，畜臣妾吉

Tied retreat, illness and danger. Raising servants and concubines—fortunate.

### Line 4

好遯，君子吉，小人否

Willing retreat—the superior finds fortune, the small folk do not.

### Line 5

嘉遯，貞吉

Praiseworthy retreat, fate fortunate.

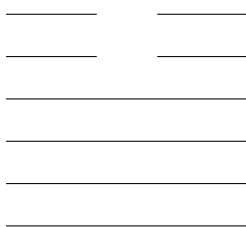
### Line 6

肥遯，无不利

Abundant retreat—no lack of advantage.



## 34 大壯 (dà zhuàng) - The Power of the Great



大壯

### Judgment

大壯，利貞。

The Power of the Great, beneficial for perseverance.

### Line 1

壯于趾，征凶，有孚。

Strong at the toes, going out leads to misfortune, there is sincerity.

### Line 2

貞吉

Determination auspicious

### Line 3

小人用壯，君子用罔，貞厲，羝羊觸藩，羸其角。

The small man uses strength; the gentleman uses subtlety. Determination brings danger. A ram butts against a fence, weakening its horns.

### Line 4

貞吉悔亡，藩決不羸，壯于大輿之輹

Determined auspicious, regret gone. The fence breaks but not weakened, strong as the axle of a great cart.

### Line 5

喪羊于易，無悔。

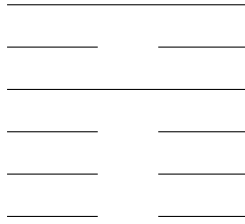
Lose sheep at Yi, no regret.

### Line 6

羝羊觸藩，不能退，不能遂，無攸利，艱則吉。

The ram butts against the fence, unable to retreat, unable to advance, no advantage, but if there is hardship, then good fortune.

## 35 晉 (Jìn) - Advancing



晉

### Judgment

康侯用錫馬蕃庶，晝日三接

The sturdy lord gains horses in droves. Thrice met in daylight.

### Line 1

晉如摧如，貞吉。罔孚，裕无咎

Advancing, then crushed. Fated good. Trust lacks—abide, no fault.

### Line 2

晉如愁如，貞吉。受茲介福，于其王母

Advancing, then anxious. Divination auspicious. Great blessing received from the king's mother.

### Line 3

衆允，悔亡

All agree. Regret fades.

### Line 4

晉如鼫鼠，貞厲

Advancing like a field rat. Way perilous.

### Line 5

悔亡，失得勿恤，往吉，无不利

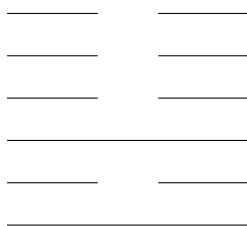
Regret fades. Loss or gain—don't fret. Go forward, good fortune. All yields bounty.

### Line 6

晉其角，維用伐邑，厲吉无咎，貞吝

Advancing by the horns. Strike the town alone. Peril turns good, no fault. Aspiration stings.

## 36 明夷 (míng yí) - Darkening of the Light



明夷

### Judgment

明夷，利苦貞。

Darkening of the Light, beneficial in difficult perseverance.

### Line 1

明夷于飛，垂其翼，君子于行，三日不食，有攸往，主人有言。

Brightness hidden in flight, hanging its wings, the gentleman on a journey, three days without eating, having somewhere to go, the host has words.

### Line 2

明夷于左股，用拯馬壯，吉。

Brightness hidden in the left thigh, using a strong horse to rescue, auspicious.

### Line 3

明夷于南狩，得其大首，不可疾貞。

Brightness is obscured in the south hunt, capturing the great leader; one should not hasten in divination.

### Line 4

入于左腹，獲明夷之心，于出自門庭

Enter into the left abdomen, gain the heart of Ming Yi, from exiting the gate and courtyard

### Line 5

箕子之明夷，利貞。

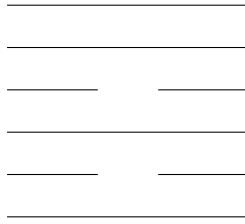
Jizi's Mingyi, beneficial to be correct.

### Line 6

不明晦，初登于天，後入于地。

Not bright yet dark, at first ascending to heaven, later entering into the earth.

## 37 家人 (jiā rén) - The Family (The Clan)



家人

### Judgment

家人，利女貞。

The Family, beneficial for the woman to be correct.

### Line 1

閑有家，悔亡。

There is restraint in the family, regrets vanish.

### Line 2

無攸遂，在中饋，貞吉

No success in anything, in the middle of cooking, determination auspicious.

### Line 3

家人嗃嗃，悔厲吉，婦子嘻嘻，終吝。

The family members are stern, regret and danger then good fortune, the wife and children are laughing, in the end there will be regret.

### Line 4

富家，大吉

Rich family, great auspiciousness

### Line 5

王假有家，勿恤吉。

The king comes to the family, do not worry, auspicious.

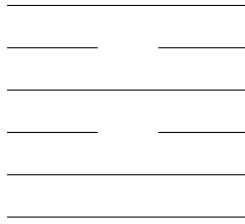
### Line 6

有孚威如，終吉。

There is confidence and awe, ultimately auspicious.



## 38 睽 (Kuí) - Estrangement



睽

### Judgment

睽，小事吉

Estrangement. Small matters auspicious.

### Line 1

悔亡，喪馬勿逐，自復，見惡人，无咎

Regret gone. Lost horse, do not chase. It returns. See bad people. No fault.

### Line 2

遇主于巷，无咎

Meet the master in the alley. No fault.

### Line 3

見輿曳，其牛掣，其人天且劓，无初有終

See cart dragged. Its ox held back. Its man branded and cut. No start, but an end.

### Line 4

睽孤，遇元夫，交孚，厲无咎

Estranged alone. Meet primal man. Exchange trust. Danger, no fault.

### Line 5

悔亡，厥宗噬膚，往何咎

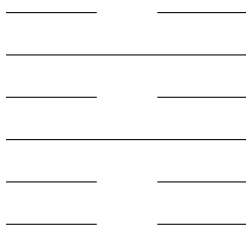
Regret gone. His clan bites flesh. Go, what fault?

### Line 6

睽孤，見豕負塗，載鬼一車，先張之弧，後說之弧，匪寇婚媾，往遇雨則吉

Estranged alone. See pig coated in mud. Cart carries ghosts. First draw the bow, then release the bow. Not bandits, but marriage kin. Go, meet rain, then auspicious.

## 39 蹇 (jiǎn) - Obstruction



蹇

### Judgment

蹇，利西南，不利東北，利見大人，貞吉。

Obstruction. It is beneficial in the southwest, not beneficial in the northeast. It is beneficial to see the great man. Perseverance is auspicious.

### Line 1

往蹇來譽

Going leads to difficulty, coming brings praise.

### Line 2

王臣蹇蹇，匪躬之故。

The king's minister is in difficulty, not because of his own fault.

### Line 3

往蹇來反

Going leads to difficulty, coming back leads to return.

### Line 4

往蹇來連

Going leads to difficulty, coming leads to connection.

### Line 5

大蹇朋來

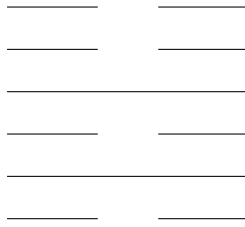
Great difficulty, friends come.

### Line 6

往蹇來碩，吉，利見大人。

Going forward there is difficulty, coming back there is success. Auspicious, beneficial to see a great person.

## 40 解 (Xiè) - Release



解

### Judgment

解，利西南，无所往，其來復吉，有攸往，夙吉

Release. Benefit in the southwest. No place to go, its return auspicious. There is a place to go, early auspicious.

### Line 1

无咎

No fault.

### Line 2

田獲三狐，得黃矢，貞吉

Hunt gains three foxes. Get yellow arrow. Divination auspicious.

### Line 3

負且乘，致寇至，貞吝

Carry and ride. Bring robbers to arrive. Divination regret.

### Line 4

解而拇，朋至斯孚

Release the big toe. Friends arrive, then trust.

### Line 5

君子維有解，吉，有孚于小人

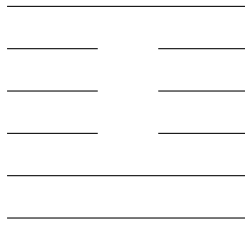
Noble one only has release. Auspicious. There is trust in small people.

### Line 6

公用射隼于高墉之上，獲之，无不利

Duke uses shooting falcon on high wall above. Captures it. Nothing lacks benefit.

## 41 損 (Sǔn) - Decrease



損

### Judgment

有孚，元吉，无咎，可貞，利有攸往，曷之用二簋，可用享

Trust endures, primal fortune, no fault. Fate holds firm, advantage in venturing forth. Why use two bowls? They suffice for the offering.

### Line 1

已事遄往，无咎，酌損之

Finish affairs and hasten forth—no fault. Measure the decrease.

### Line 2

利貞，征凶，弗損益之

Bounty divined, advancing ominous. Don't decrease to increase it.

### Line 3

三人行則損一人，一人行則得其友

Three travel, one is lost. One travels, finding a friend.

### Line 4

損其疾，使遄有喜，无咎

Decrease the ailment, hastening brings joy—no fault.

### Line 5

或益之十朋之龜，弗克違，元吉

Perhaps increased by ten friends' tortoises, none can resist—primal fortune.

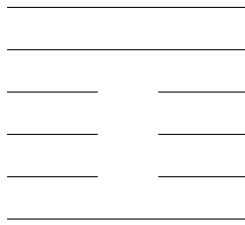
### Line 6

弗損益之，无咎，貞吉，利有攸往，得臣无家

Don' t decrease to increase it—no fault. Fate fortunate, advantage in venturing forth, gaining vassals without a household.



## 42 益 (Yì) - Increase



益

### Judgment

利有攸往，利涉大川

Advantage in venturing forth, advantage in crossing great rivers.

### Line 1

利用為大作，元吉，无咎

Advantage in undertaking great works—primal fortune, no fault.

### Line 2

或益之十朋之龜，弗克違，永貞吉，王用享于帝，吉

Perhaps increased by ten friends' tortoises, none can resist—lasting fate fortunate. The king offers to the Emperor—fortunate.

### Line 3

益之用凶事，无咎，有孚中行，告公用圭

Increase through ominous affairs—no fault. Trust in the central path, informing the duke with a jade tablet.

### Line 4

中行告公從，利用為依遷國

The central path informs the duke, he follows—advantage in relying on this to shift the state.

### Line 5

有孚惠心，勿問元吉，有孚惠我德

Trust with a generous heart—don't ask, primal fortune. Trust enhances my virtue.

### Line 6

莫益之，或擊之，立心勿恆，凶

None increase him, some strike him. A heart unsteady—ominous.

## 43 夬 (Guài) - Breakthrough



夬

### Judgment

揚于王庭，孚號有厲，告自邑，不利即戎，利有攸往

Raised in the king's court. Trust cries peril. Speak from the town—war brings no harvest. Going forth yields gain.

### Line 1

壯于前趾，往不勝為咎

Strength in the forefoot. Going fails—fault follows.

### Line 2

惕號，莫夜有戎，无咎

Wary cry. Night brings arms. No fault.

### Line 3

壯于頄，有凶，君子夬夬，獨行遇雨，若濡有愠，无咎

Strength in the cheeks. Ruin looms. The superior breaks through alone. Meeting rain, soaked and vexed—no fault.

### Line 4

臀无膚，其行次且，牽羊悔亡，聞言不信

Buttocks bare of skin. Steps drag slow. Lead the sheep—regret fades. Words heard, not trusted.

### Line 5

覓陸夬夬，中行无咎

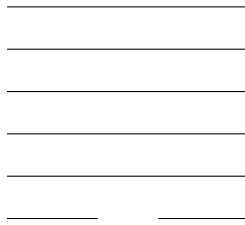
Purslane breaks through. Middle path, no fault.

### Line 6

无號，終有凶

No cry. End brings ruin.

## 44 姤 (Gòu) - Encounter



姤

### Judgment

女壯，勿用取女

Woman strong. Don't take her in marriage.

### Line 1

繫于金柅，貞吉，有攸往，見凶，羸豕孚蹢躅

Bound to the bronze brake. Fated good. Venture out, face ruin. Lean sow stammers in faith.

### Line 2

庖有魚，无咎，不利賓

Kitchen holds fish. No fault. Guests gain nothing.

### Line 3

臀无膚，其行次且，厲，无大咎

Buttocks bare of skin. Steps falter hard. Peril, but no great fault.

### Line 4

庖无魚，起凶

Kitchen lacks fish. Trouble stirs.

### Line 5

以杞包瓜，含章，有隕自天

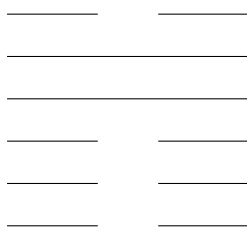
Willow wraps the melon. Beauty held within. A fall comes from heaven.

### Line 6

姤其角，吝，无咎

Encounter at the horns. Regret bites. No fault.

## 45 萃 (cuì) - Gathering Together (Massing)



萃

### Judgment

萃，行，王假有廟，利見大人，行，利謂，用大牲吉，利有欲往。

Gathering Together, success. The king approaches the temple. It is beneficial to see the great man. Success. It is beneficial to be correct. Using a great sacrifice is auspicious. It is beneficial to have somewhere to go.

### Line 1

有孚不終，乃亂乃萃，若號一握為笑，勿恤，往無咎。

There is sincerity that does not end, leading to disorder and gathering. If one cries out and then clenches a fist into laughter, do not worry; going forward there will be no blame.

### Line 2

引吉，無咎，孚乃利用禴。

Pulling in auspicious, no blame. If there is sincerity, it is beneficial to perform the yue sacrifice.

### Line 3

萃如嗟如，無攸利，往無咎，小吝。

Gathering like sighing, no benefit, going without fault, slight distress.

### Line 4

大吉，無咎。

Great good fortune, no blame.

### Line 5

萃有位，無咎，匪孚，元永貞，悔亡。

Gathering has a position, no blame, not trusting, greatly and eternally correct, regret vanishes.

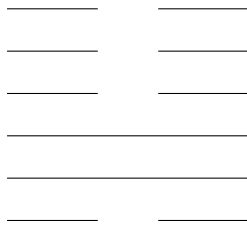
### Line 6

齋咨涕洟，無咎。

Bearing sorrowful tears, no blame.



## 46 升 (shēng) - Pushing Upward



升

### Judgment

升，元亨，用見大人，勿惡，南征吉。

Pushing Upward: prime auspiciousness. Use to see the great man, no regret, southward expedition auspicious.

### Line 1

衡升，大吉。

Allow ascent, great fortune.

### Line 2

孚乃利用禴，無咎。

There is trust, then it is beneficial to use the yue sacrifice, no blame.

### Line 3

升虛邑

Ascend an empty city

### Line 4

王用行于岐山，吉无殊。

The king uses the rites at Mount Qi, auspicious without blame.

### Line 5

貞吉，升階。

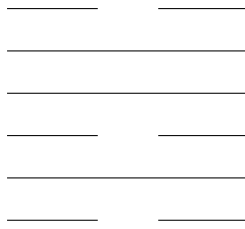
Determined auspicious, ascending the steps.

### Line 6

冥升，利于不息之貞。

Darkly ascending, it is beneficial to maintain unceasing integrity.

## 47 困 (Kùn) - Confinement



困

### Judgment

困，亨，貞，大人吉，无咎，有言不信

Incarceration, offering. Spirit lifts the great—fortunate, no fault. Empty words, don't trust them.

### Line 1

臀困于株木，入于幽谷，三歲不覿

Buttocks trapped by a stump, entering a dark valley—three years unseen.

### Line 2

困于酒食，朱紱方來，利用享祀，征凶，无咎

Trapped by wine and food, a vermilion sash arrives. Advantage in offerings and rites, advancing ominous—no fault.

### Line 3

困于石，據于蒺藜，入于其宮，不見其妻，凶

Trapped by stone, clinging to thorns. Entering his house, not seeing his wife—ominous.

### Line 4

來徐徐，困于金車，吝，有終

Coming slowly, trapped by a golden chariot—regret, yet an end comes.

### Line 5

劓刖，困于赤紱，乃徐有說，利用祭祀

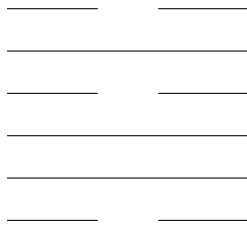
Nose cut, feet severed, trapped by a red sash—then slowly released. Advantage in sacrifices.

### Line 6

困于葛藟，于臲臲，曰動悔有悔，征吉

Trapped by vines, on a shaky perch. Saying ‘move and regret,’ yet regret—advancing fortunate.

## 48 井 (jǐng) - The Well



井

### Judgment

井，改邑不改井，無喪無得，往來井井，汔至亦未繙井，羸其瓶，凶。

The Well. Change the town but not the well, no loss no gain, coming and going well after well, nearing yet not drawing from the well, breaking its bucket, misfortune.

### Line 1

井泥不食，舊井無禽。

The well is muddy and cannot be used for drinking. The old well has no birds.

### Line 2

井谷射鮒，瓮敝漏。

The well's valley shoots carp, the jar is broken and leaks.

### Line 3

井渫不食，為我心惻，可用汲，王明並受其福。

The well is cleaned but not eaten from, it makes my heart ache. It can be used for drawing water, the king's brightness will also receive its blessings.

### Line 4

井甃，無咎。

The well is lined, no blame.

### Line 5

井冽寒泉，食。

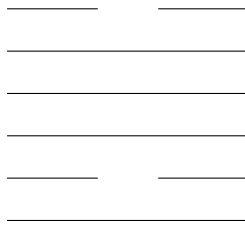
The well's clear cold spring, food.

### Line 6

井收勿幕，有孚元吉。

The well is drawn, do not cover it; there is sincerity, great good fortune.

## 49 革 (gé) - Revolution (Molting)



革

### Judgment

革，己日乃孚，元亨利貞，悔亡。

Revolution. When the day is done, then there is trust. Great success, beneficial for correctness, regret vanishes.

### Line 1

鞶用黃牛之革

Use the leather of a yellow ox to strengthen.

### Line 2

己日乃革之，征吉，無咎

On the sixth day it is changed, going out is auspicious, no blame

### Line 3

征凶，貞厲，革言三就，有孚。

Going forward is dangerous, determination is severe, the speech of change is achieved in three stages, there is sincerity.

### Line 4

悔亡，有孚改命，吉。

Regret vanishes. With trust, changing the mandate brings good fortune.

### Line 5

大人虎變，未占有孚。

The great man undergoes a tiger transformation, not yet divined but there is sincerity.

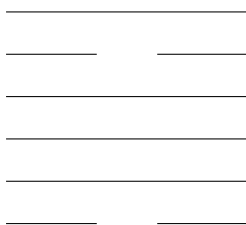
### Line 6

君子豹變，小人革面，征凶，居貞吉。

The gentleman undergoes a transformation like a leopard, the small man changes his face. To go forth is ominous, to stay and be correct is auspicious.



## 50 鼎 (dǐng) - The Cauldron



鼎

### Judgment

鼎，元吉，亨。

The Cauldron, great fortune, harmony.

### Line 1

鼎顛趾，利出否，得妾以其子，無咎。

The tripod overturns its foot, beneficial to remove stagnation, obtaining a concubine with her child, no blame.

### Line 2

鼎有實，我仇有疾，不我能即，吉。

The cauldron has substance, my enemy has illness, cannot reach me, auspicious.

### Line 3

鼎耳革，其行塞，雉膏不食，方雨虧悔，終吉。

The ears of the tripod are changed, its movement is blocked, the grease of the pheasant is not eaten, during rain the regret diminishes, in the end auspicious.

### Line 4

鼎折足，覆公餗，其形渥，凶。

The tripod breaks its leg, overturns the duke's stew, its form stained, ominous.

### Line 5

鼎黃耳金鉉，利貞。

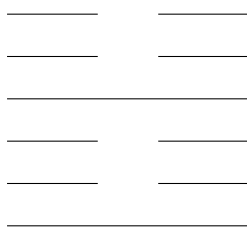
The tripod with yellow ears and metal handle, advantageous to be correct.

### Line 6

鼎玉鉉，大吉，無不利。

The cauldron with a jade handle, great fortune, nothing not beneficial.

## 51 震 (zhèn) - The Arousing (Shock, Thunder)



震

### Judgment

震，行，震來虩虩，笑言咿咿，震驚百里，不亡包酒。

Shock, action. Shock comes with awe, laughter with stammering. Shock startles for a hundred miles, without losing the ladle for the sacrificial wine.

### Line 1

震來虩虩，後笑言啞啞，吉。

The shock comes with awe, later laughter and chatter, auspicious.

### Line 2

震來厲，億喪貝，躋於九陵，勿逐，七日得。

Shock comes, danger. One imagines losing wealth, ascending the nine hills. Do not pursue; in seven days, it will be recovered.

### Line 3

震蘇蘇，震行無咎。

The shock comes repeatedly, but the movement of the shock brings no harm.

### Line 4

震遂泥

The shock reaches to the mud.

### Line 5

震往來厲，億無喪，有事。

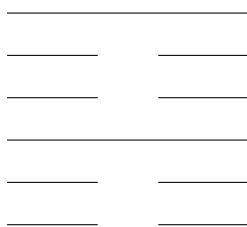
Shock comes and goes, there is danger. Yet there is no loss, there is action.

### Line 6

震索索，視矍矍，征凶，震不于其躬，于其鄰，無咎，婚媾有言。

The shock is trembling, the vision is fearful, to go on an expedition is ominous, the shock is not to its own person, but to its neighbor, there is no fault, there are words about marriage.

## 52 艮 (gèn) - Keeping Still, Mountain



艮

### Judgment

艮，艮其背，不獲其身，行其庭，不見其人，無咎。

Keeping Still. Keep still your back, do not gain your body, walk in your courtyard, do not see your people, no blame.

### Line 1

艮其趾，無咎，利永貞。

Stop at the toes, no blame, beneficial for long-term correctness.

### Line 2

艮其腓，不救其隨，其心不快。

Stop at the calf, do not rescue its following, the heart is not pleased.

### Line 3

艮其限，列其夤，厲薰心。

Stop at the waist, slice the spine, danger that smolders the heart.

### Line 4

艮其身，無咎。

Stops his body, no blame.

### Line 5

艮其輔，言有序，悔亡。

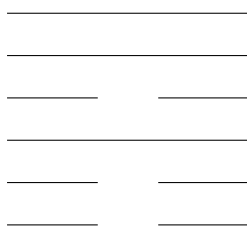
Restrain the cheeks, words are in order, regret vanishes.

### Line 6

敦艮，吉。

Solidify stopping, auspicious.

## 53 漸 (Jiàn) - Gradual Advance



漸

### Judgment

漸，女歸吉，利貞

Gradual Advance. Woman returns auspicious. Benefit in fated order.

### Line 1

鴻漸于干，小子厲，有言，无咎

Wild goose gradually advances to the shore. Small child in danger. There is talk. No fault.

### Line 2

鴻漸于磐，飲食衎衎，吉

Wild goose gradually advances to the rock. Drinking and eating happily. Auspicious.

### Line 3

鴻漸于陸，夫征不復，婦孕不育，凶，利禦寇

Wild goose gradually advances to the land. Husband goes out, does not return. Wife pregnant, does not give birth. Danger. Benefit in resisting robbers.

### Line 4

鴻漸于木，或得其桷，无咎

Wild goose gradually advances to the tree. Perhaps gets its perch. No fault.

### Line 5

鴻漸于陵，婦三歲不孕，終莫之勝，吉

Wild goose gradually advances to the hill. Wife for three years does not conceive. In the end, nothing overcomes it. Auspicious.

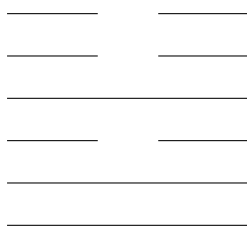
### Line 6

鴻漸于陸，羽可用為儀，吉

Wild goose gradually advances to the land. Feathers can be used for ceremony. Auspicious.



## 54 歸妹 (Guī Mèi) - Returning Maiden



歸妹

### Judgment

歸妹，征凶，无攸利

Returning Maiden. Journey brings danger. No benefit accrues.

### Line 1

歸妹以娣，跛能履，征吉

Returning Maiden as younger sister. The lame can walk. Going auspicious.

### Line 2

眇能視，利幽人之貞

Dim-sighted can see. Seclusion' s divination beneficial.

### Line 3

歸妹以須，反歸以娣

Returning Maiden with beard. Returns instead as younger sister.

### Line 4

歸妹愆期，遲歸有時

Returning Maiden delays. Late return has its time.

### Line 5

帝乙歸妹，其君之袂，不如其娣之袂良，月幾望，吉

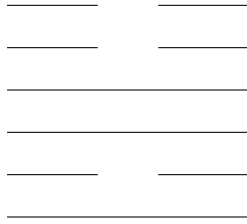
Emperor Yi returns the maiden. Her lord's sleeve not as proper as her younger sister's sleeve.  
Moon nearly full. Auspicious.

### Line 6

女承筐无實，士刲羊无血，无攸利

Woman carries basket without substance. Man cuts sheep without blood. No benefit accrues.

## 55 豐 (fēng) - Abundance (Fullness)



豐

### Judgment

象，行，王假之，勿忧，宜日中。

Abundance, proceed. The king visits it. Do not worry, it is fitting at midday.

### Line 1

遇其配主，雖旬無咎，往有尚。

Encounter its matching lord, even for ten days there is no blame, going has distinction.

### Line 2

豐其蔀，日中見斗，遇其夷主，吉。

Abundance with its screen, at midday seeing the Dipper, meeting its barbarian lord, auspicious.

### Line 3

那其沖，日中見淡，折其右膀，無罪。

That its marsh, at noon seeing the faintness, breaks its right arm, no blame.

### Line 4

豐其蔀，日中見斗，遇其夷主，吉。

Abundant its screen, at midday the Dipper is seen, encountering its barbarian lord, auspicious.

### Line 5

豐其蔀，日中見斗，遇其夷主，吉。

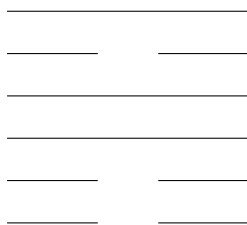
Abundant with its screen, at midday seeing the Dipper, meeting its barbarian lord, auspicious.

### Line 6

豐其屋，蔀其家，窺其戶，闐其無人，三歲不覿，凶。

Abundant its house, covering its home, peering at its door, silent its no people, three years not seeing, ominous.

## 56 旅 (lǚ) - The Wanderer



旅

### Judgment

旅，小亨，旅貞吉。

The Wanderer, small success, the wanderer's determination is auspicious.

### Line 1

旅瑣瑣，斯其所取災。

Traveling in a petty manner, this is where one incurs disaster.

### Line 2

旅即次，懷其資，得童僕諸。

Travel and then lodge, cherish your resources, obtain young servants, firm.

### Line 3

旅焚其次，喪其童僕，貞厲。

The traveler burns his lodging, loses his servants, determination brings danger.

### Line 4

旅于處，得其資斧，我心不快。

Traveling at the place, obtaining its resources and axe, my heart is not content.

### Line 5

射雉一矢亡，終以譽命。

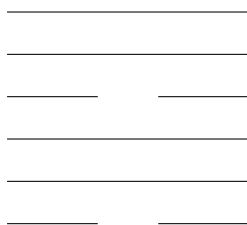
Shoot a pheasant, one arrow lost, ultimately with a commendable fate.

### Line 6

鳥焚其巢，旅人先笑後號咷，喪牛於易，凶。

The bird burns its nest, the traveler first laughs then wails, loses a cow at Yi, ominous.

## 57 巽 (Xùn) - Penetrating Wind



巽

### Judgment

巽，小亨，利有攸往，利見大人

Penetrating Wind. Slight passage. Advantage in a destined going. Advantage in beholding the great one.

### Line 1

進退，利武人之貞

Push forward, pull back. Advantage in the warrior's fixed fate.

### Line 2

巽在床下，用史巫紛若，吉，无咎

Penetrating Wind beneath the bed. Employ scribes and spirit-talkers in profusion. Fortunate. No blame.

### Line 3

頻巽，吝

Repeated penetrating wind. Stinting regret.

### Line 4

悔亡，田獲三品

Remorse vanishes. The hunt takes three grades.

### Line 5

貞吉，悔亡，无不利，无初有終，先庚三日，後庚三日，吉

Divined fortune. Remorse vanishes. Nothing without advantage. No beginning, yet an ending. Three days before geng, three days after geng. Fortunate.

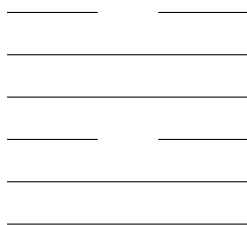
### Line 6

巽在床下，喪其資斧，貞凶

Penetrating Wind beneath the bed. Losing one's wealth-axe. Divined peril.



## 58 兑 (duì) - The Joyous (Lake)



兑

### Judgment

兑，厉，利贞。

The Joyous, success. It is beneficial to be upright.

### Line 1

和兑，吉。

Harmonious joy, auspicious.

### Line 2

孚兑，吉，悔亡。

Trust in joy, auspicious, regrets vanish.

**Line 3**

來兌，凶。

Come to delight, misfortune.

**Line 4**

商兌未寧，介疾有喜

Consulting about pleasure is not yet settled, with a serious illness there is joy

**Line 5**

孚于剝，有厲。

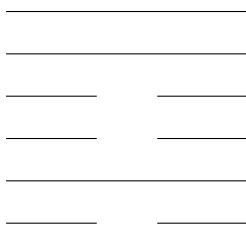
Trust in stripping away, there is danger.

**Line 6**

引兌

Attract pleasure.

## 59 渙 (Huàn) - Dispersion



渙

### Judgment

亨，王假有廟，利涉大川，利貞

Offering succeeds, the king approaches the temple. Advantage in crossing great rivers. Bounty divined.

### Line 1

用拯馬壯吉

Employ a strong horse for rescue. Fortune follows.

### Line 2

渙奔其機，悔亡

Disperse! Run towards opportunity and regret disappears

### Line 3

渙其躬，无悔

Dispersion of the self. No regret remains.

### Line 4

渙其群，元吉，渙有丘，匪夷所思

Dispersion of the group, primal fortune. Dispersion forms hills, beyond ordinary conception.

### Line 5

渙汗其大號，渙王居，无咎

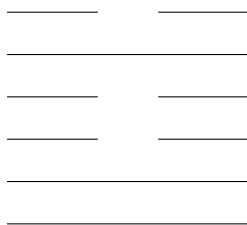
Dispersion of sweat, a great proclamation resounds. The king's dwelling disperses—no fault.

### Line 6

渙其血，去逖出，无咎

Dispersion of blood, danger withdraws afar. No fault.

## 60 節 (jié) - Limitation



節

### Judgment

節，行，苦節不可貞。

Limitation, proceed. Bitter limitation cannot be adhered to.

### Line 1

不出戶庭，無咎。

Do not go out of the door or courtyard, no blame.

### Line 2

不出門庭，凶。

Do not go out the gate, misfortune.

### Line 3

不節若，則嗟若，無咎。

If not restrained, then there will be lamentation, but no blame.

### Line 4

安節，亨。

Secure in restraint, there is success.

### Line 5

甘節，吉，往有尚。

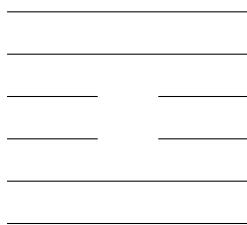
Sweet restraint, auspicious, going has esteem.

### Line 6

苦節，貞凶，悔亡。

Bitter restraint, determination leads to misfortune, regret vanishes.

## 61 中孚 (Zhōng Fú) - Inner Truth



中孚

### Judgment

豚魚吉，利涉大川，利貞

Piglets and fish bring luck. Gain crossing great rivers. Bounty fated.

### Line 1

虞吉，有他勿用

Caution pays off. Other paths—don't chase.

### Line 2

鳴鶴在陰，其子和之，我有好爵，吾與爾靡之

Crane calls in shadow, its young echo. I hold fine rank—share it with you.

### Line 3

得敵，或鼓或罷，或泣或歌

Facing foes. Drums pound, then stop. Tears fall, then songs rise.

### Line 4

月幾望，馬匹亡，无咎

Moon nears full, horse pair lost. No fault.

### Line 5

有孚攣如，无咎

Trust ties tight. No fault.

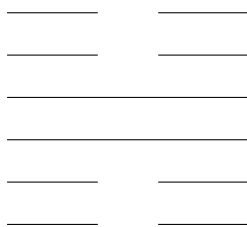
### Line 6

翰音登于天，貞凶

Cock's cry climbs the sky. Aspiration turns dark.



## 62 小過 (Xiǎo Guò) - Small Excess



小過

### Judgment

亨，利貞，可小事，不可大事業，小過有飛行，利順，不利逆

Offering succeeds, bounty divined. Small matters feasible, great works not. Small excess takes flight—advantage in yielding, not in resisting.

### Line 1

飛鳥以凶

Flying bird brings misfortune.

### Line 2

過其祖，遇其妣，不及其君，遇其臣，无咎

Passing the grandfather, meeting the grandmother. Not reaching the lord, meeting the vassal—no fault.

### Line 3

弗過防之，從或戕之，凶

Not exceeding caution, following may harm—ominous.

### Line 4

无咎，弗過遇之，往厲必戒，勿用永貞

No fault, not exceeding but meeting it. Going forward risks danger, must guard—don't rely on lasting fate.

### Line 5

密雲不雨，自我西郊，公弋取彼在穴

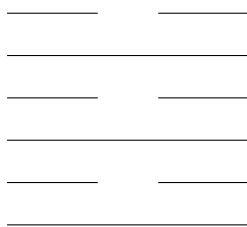
Dense clouds, no rain, from my western outskirts. The duke shoots, taking that one in the cave.

### Line 6

弗遇過之，飛鳥離之，凶，是謂災眚

Not meeting but exceeding it, the flying bird departs—ominous, this is called calamity and flaw.

## 63 既濟 (Jì Jì) - After Completion



既濟

### Judgment

亨小利貞，初吉終亂

Offering succeeds in small matters, bounty divined. Begins fortunate, ends in disorder.

### Line 1

曳其輪，濡其尾，无咎

Dragging its wheels, wetting its tail—no fault.

### Line 2

婦喪其茀，勿逐，七日得

A woman loses her veil—don't chase, regained in seven days.

### Line 3

高宗伐鬼方，三年克之，小人勿用

Gaozong attacks the Ghost Region, conquering in three years—don't employ the small folk.

### Line 4

縗有衣袽，終日戒

Fine robes turn to rags, guard all day.

### Line 5

東鄰殺牛，不如西鄰之禴祭，實受其福

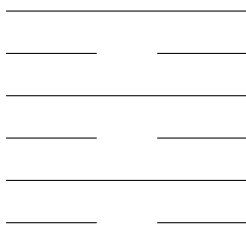
East neighbor slaughters an ox, 不如 west neighbor's simple rite—truly receiving blessings.

### Line 6

濡其首，厲

Wetting its head—danger.

## 64 未濟 (Wèi Jì) - Not Yet Crossed



未濟

### Judgment

未濟，亨，小狐汔濟，濡其尾，无攸利

Not Yet Crossed. Passage opens. Little fox nearly crosses, wets its tail. No gain anywhere.

### Line 1

濡其尾，吝

Wets its tail. Regret stings.

### Line 2

曳其輪，貞吉

Drags its wheel. Divined fortune holds.

### Line 3

未濟，征凶，利涉大川

Not Yet Crossed. Journey perils. Advantage crossing great river.

### Line 4

貞吉，悔亡，震用伐鬼方，三年有賞于大國

Divined fortune holds. Regret fades. Thunder strikes to cut Ghost Land. Three years bring reward from great realm.

### Line 5

貞吉，无悔，君子之光，有孚，吉

Divined fortune holds. No regret lingers. Noble one's radiance shines. Trust stands. Fortune flows.

### Line 6

有孚于飲酒，无咎，濡其首，有孚失是

Trust in drinking wine. No blame falls. Wets its head. Trust loses this.