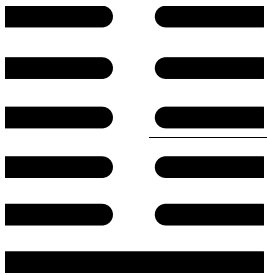




Earth



Trigram Above

The Receptive, Passive

Nourishing, Devoted, Adaptive

Shock, Renewal, Awakening

The Arousing

Trigram Below

Thunder



Nourishing, Devoted, Adaptive
The Receptive, Passive

Earth

Outer Nuclear Trigram

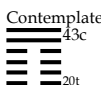
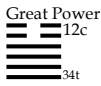
Inner Nuclear Trigram

Earth

The Receptive, Passive
Nourishing, Devoted, Adaptive

Primary Hexagram Text:

Change Cycle



You are RETURNING to the beginning of yet another cycle in your life, after what may have seemed a long period of stagnation or frustration. Progress had been halted at every turn, and movement appeared impossible. Now the paths leading to renewed growth are revealing themselves. Although you may be quite anxious to proceed with your plans, you must keep in mind that things are just at their beginnings. Don't push. The improving situation will continue to develop at its own pace.

This promising turn for the better is certain, and as natural as the change from a still, cold winter to the early anticipation of spring. And, like the seasons, the cycles in life cannot be hastened. Conserve your energies instead. You'll need them to cope with the inevitable complexities that arise with new phases. The RETURNING situation will establish itself of its own accord. Contemplate and adjust your relationship to this new phase in order to afford yourself a comfortable position within it.

This is a time when groups of like-minded individuals can come together and work toward a common goal. Success is indicated here because the progress of these individuals is unhampered, both in the external world and in their innermost motivations.

You may be experiencing a dormant period in your social life, or perhaps an illness that has held you back. This situation suggests a return to better times, but cautions as well against overly vigorous movement. Just because you feel better now, do not immediately throw yourself into an energetic undertaking or attempt to be the center of the social event of the season. Remember, you must strengthen the beginning with rest.

The time of RETURNING can also indicate a new beginning through a fresh approach to important relationships. If such is the case, treat this time very carefully. You must now be aware of what to expect from relationships that do not start out on the proper footing. Above all, this footing must be relevant to your nature. If you are still uncertain about this, this current phase is an ideal opportunity for self-knowledge. At the time of RETURNING to new beginnings is the implied end of an old cycle. Study the phase you are now exiting. It is a cycle. It had a beginning and you are experiencing its end. The reasons for certain things that may have been unacceptable or confusing to you are now apparent. The contemplation of the return of these cycles can lead to profound inner knowledge. The Chinese refer to this hexagram as the apparent pattern of the intelligence of Heaven and Earth.

Active Line 6 Associate: 44c Nourish 27t

58c

You've missed the time to make a change for the better at the beginning of this recent cycle. This is unfortunate because you were quite capable of recognizing the need for reform. Instead, you have stubbornly locked yourself into a non-constructive attitude. You must now wait out the entire cycle before you have another chance to change.

If number C above is larger than associate "c" number, then C results from "c." C follows "c." If C above is smaller than associate "c," then C leads to, or comes before "c."

Active Line 5 Associate: 51c Difficult Beginnings 3t

You are aware of the need for a new beginning and have the courage to make the change. By observing your faults with objectivity and resolution at this time you will gain the strength of character necessary to overcome them.

If number C above is larger than associate "c" number, then C results from "c." C follows "c." If C above is smaller than associate "c," then C leads to, or comes before "c."

Active Line 4 Associate: 49c Shocking 51t

Your current milieu is inferior. You have become aware of the possibility of a change for the better and wish to move in that direction. Be aware that your friends may not follow you. Your path could be a solitary one.

If number C above is larger than associate "c" number, then C results from "c." C follows "c." If C above is smaller than associate "c," then C leads to, or comes before "c."

Active Line 3 Associate: 47c Darkening of Light 36t

This position indicates the type of person who is constantly vacillating because of the imagined advantages of other paths. This kind of experimentation could be dangerous, but is mostly an annoyance to all concerned. It is indicated that the situation will improve nevertheless.

If number C above is larger than associate "c" number, then C results from "c." C follows "c." If C above is smaller than associate "c," then C leads to, or comes before "c."

Active Line 2 Associate: 45c Promotion 19t

It is much easier to do the right thing when you are in good company. Following good examples will lead you to success.

If number C above is larger than associate "c" number, then C results from "c." C follows "c." If C above is smaller than associate "c," then C leads to, or comes before "c."

Active Line 1 Associate: 64c Receptive 2t

Governing

You may be considering an idea that is by nature contrary to your principles. Exercise self-discipline and hold to what you feel is right. In this way you cultivate your character and will surely attain great things.

If number C above is larger than associate "c" number, then C results from "c." C follows "c." If C above is smaller than associate "c," then C leads to, or comes before "c."

Constituting lines act by position, while governing lines act because of qualities.

Static Hexagram: when you have no moving lines

Unchanging, this situation can mean the RETURNING to the beginning of one of your familiar old cycles or patterns. The trigram CHEN, movement, is arousing from below K'UN, receptivity, into a repeated cycle of activity. Throughout your life you will recognize occurrences that are not simply random, but a part of your own particular pattern. You may perceive this all too familiar pattern as neurotic or, perhaps, as the security of being your Self. Naturally, the better your attitude about certain fated conditions in your nature, the more pleasurable your life becomes.