



**I CHING / YI JING**

**Transcription, Gloss, Translation**

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## INTRODUCTION

### The Translation

This translation aims to provide clear, contemporary English renderings of *I Ching* (*Yì Jīng* in *pinyin* transcription). While other editions consist primarily of commentary -- especially the traditional Confucian interpretations -- this version includes only the main text, for which *pīnyīn* transcription, word for word gloss, and English translation are provided. Given this format, readers will be able to explore the work for themselves, unencumbered by the vast array of commentary. Indeed, as *Yì Jīng* is a pre-Confucian text, there is clearly no obligation to follow in that tradition. The commentaries are fascinating, and can provide interesting insights; they certainly deserve to be studied in their own right. Here, though, readers are afforded a chance to take a fresh look at this classic work. Students of Chinese may wish to use the volume in conjunction with the original Chinese text.

Throughout the volume, the *pīnyīn* transcription, which always appears above the gloss and translation, indicates current standard Mandarin pronunciation (cf. Richter 1998). Details of the pronunciation used by the authors of *Yì Jīng* some three thousand years ago must be relegated to the realm of historical linguistics. (Readers wishing to become familiar with the *pīnyīn* transcription system should consult the brief Pronunciation Guide following this Introduction.) Immediately below the transcription appears the gloss, which provides a literal translation of each Chinese word in context. All items in the gloss are capitalized. The translation, immediately below the gloss, renders the meaning of each line in contemporary English. English words corresponding directly to the gloss retain their capitalization. All other English words -- those which have been interpolated -- appear in lower case. (The pronoun I appears in small capitals when it does not correspond to a character in the Chinese text; at the beginning of a line, indefinite article A also appears in small capitals.)

In translating the text, I have, when appropriate, selected interpretations similar to those in previous editions. Some of the editions consulted follow in the Confucian tradition (e.g. Lynn 1994; Van Over 1971), while some are less traditional (e.g. Ritsema and Karcher 1994; Huang and Huang 1987). Indeed, among previous translators, I am most indebted to Huang and Huang. They, too, aim for a readable English version independent of the Confucian tradition, and their introductory material on the origins, history, and significance of *Yì Jīng* is invaluable (Huang 1984; Huang and Huang 1987). Yet the meanings I associate with the characters of the Chinese text often differ from those in their edition. Indeed, I have felt free to disagree with all previous versions.

In comparing the translation line with the gloss, readers will note the extremely terse style of the original text, and the great number of words that must be supplied in order to produce a coherent English translation. In some cases only a phrasal translation is possible. In other cases, sentences seem to be present in the Chinese text, but often lack a subject. For the purposes of English translation, it seemed desirable to select a default translation for such missing subjects. Although *er* 'you' appears only three times in the original text, I have selected the English pronoun "you" as the default value for missing subject when no other entity is implied: in reading or consulting *Yì Jīng*, the reader is presumably central.

Early Chinese texts include no punctuation, and it is mainly in the indication of phrases and sentence divisions that modern Chinese editions of *Yì Jīng* differ. I have consulted the Chinese text in simplified characters as it appears in Liú 1990, as well as the text in complex characters as it appears in Zhū 1995. In both editions, many reasonable choices have been made, but I have felt free to punctuate as I deem appropriate.

Given its great age, the text is a difficult one -- probably the most difficult one in Chinese. Ambiguities constantly present themselves: for a given Chinese character, comprehensive dictionaries often list numerous pronunciations, and there may be several meanings associated with each of these. Not surprisingly, differing interpretations abound. Consider, for example, various renderings of Chapter 3, line 5. While I propose "Save the fat of the hunted deer," Ritsema and Karcher translate the line as "Sprouting: one's juice" and Lynn proposes "Benefaction here is subject to the difficulty of *zhun* [difficulty]." For all of these versions, there are certainly justifications, and the current translation makes no claim to be definitive. For a text as ambiguous as *Yì Jīng*, there will always be disagreements in interpretation. Given the need to resolve ambiguities, though, I have attempted to select maximally archaic interpretations of the Chinese characters. In several cases, the *Yì Jīng* interpretations found in the *Cǐ Hǎi* dictionary and other scholarly Chinese-Chinese dictionaries have been helpful.

Consider, for example, the second character in Chapter 1 (*Heaven*). Although this character has traditionally been interpreted as *hēng* 'prevalence,' I interpret it throughout (with Huang 1984) as *xiǎng* 'sacrificial rite': dictionaries list *xiǎng* as an archaic reading of the character later corresponding to *hēng* (and for Chapter 14, line 3, even traditionalists select *xiǎng*). While *hēng* carries connotations of dry Confucian virtue, *xiǎng* emphasizes the appreciative celebration of a sacramental feast; in his discussion of *xiǎng*, Ulving (1997) includes the renderings 'present food or drink at a sacrifice' and 'enjoy a feast.'

Similarly, consider the translation of *zhēn*, the fourth character in Chapter 1 (*Heaven*). With Huang (1984), I assign this character the archaic meaning 'divination, omen' rather than the later meaning 'perseverance, constancy' (which it had acquired by Confucian times, half a millennium later). Indeed, the characters *zhēn* 'divination, omen' and *xiǎng* 'sacrificial rite' are crucial: they reoccur continuously and are philosophically central to the book. Thus, I translate the introduction to Chapter 1 as "Let a major sacrifice be conducted. A favorable omen." This contrasts, for example, with Ritsema and Karcher's translation: "Spring Growing Harvesting Trial." Consider also Van Over's version: "Great and originating, penetrating, advantageous, correct and firm," and Lynn's: "Fundamentality, prevalence, fitness, constancy." In all of these versions, the passage is analyzed as having no syntactic structure whatsoever -- as a structureless list of characters -- and the meanings assigned to the individual characters differ from those I have selected. I prefer to assume that the passage is syntactically and semantically coherent.

The treatment of Chinese grammatical particles requires special comment. For these particles, there is often no English equivalent; in such cases I have glossed them simply as [PART]. Particles may be highly ambiguous; in such cases, reasonable decisions must be made. The particle *zhī* is typical: it may introduce a noun which is possessed or modified, or it may function as a third person object pronoun ("him, her, it, them"). Even more complex is the particle *qí*. It may serve as a possessive pronoun ("his, her, its, their"); it may correspond to an indefinite pronoun ("someone"), and it sometimes seems to fulfill the function of article ("a, the"). Further, though *qí* is technically a third person pronoun, the deeper meaning sometimes seems to be 'you' or 'your.' Thus, in Chapter 32, line 5, a narrow translation might be the rather impersonal "He has maintained his virtue," but a somewhat freer version will be "You have maintained your virtue." This style also obviates the need to select a gender.

Indeed, to the extent warranted by the text, I have attempted to produce a non-sexist translation. Most English versions are appropriate mainly for male readers, e.g. *jūnzǐ*, a term often referring to the seeker of advice, is typically translated as "gentleman," whereas I translate the expression as "noble person."

It is true that the kings and ministers who consulted *Yì Jīng* were male, but the text can certainly be approached by female readers as well. In fact, the text does make specific references to women, e.g. "Auspicious for a woman, inauspicious for a man" (Chapter 32, line 5).

## Background

We can now turn to the origins, structure, and philosophical underpinnings of the text. *Yì Jīng* translates literally as "Change Classic." The standard English rendition of the title is *Book of Changes*. In Chinese, the book is also referred to as *Zhōu Yì*: portions of the work were already being used for divination early in the Western Zhōu dynasty (c. 1100-771 BCE). The consultation of texts from *Yì Jīng* gradually replaced the tortoise shell and oracle bone divination common during the preceding Shāng dynasty (c. 1520-1100 BCE).

According to the traditional account, the eight basic trigrams and sixty-four hexagrams utilized in *Yì Jīng* were originally developed as magical symbols by Fú Xī, the legendary first ruler of China. The hexagrams are said to have been arranged in their conventional order by King Wén (c. 1171-1122 BCE), honorary founder of the Zhōu dynasty, during his imprisonment by the Shāng emperor in the year 1143 BCE. Authorship of the chapter introductions is also traditionally attributed to King Wén, while the line commentaries are attributed to his son, the Duke of Zhōu. Although this account is surely inaccurate, the earliest passages in the text certainly date from the period when the Shāng dynasty was overthrown by Zhōu, originally its vassal state, under the leadership of the Duke of Zhōu; he appears to be the duke mentioned in chapters 14, 40, 42, 50, and 62 of *Yì Jīng*. He posthumously granted his father the title of king: Wén, though released from prison by the Shāng emperor, was not personally involved in the defeat of Shāng and never actually ruled. Three other historical figures from this period are mentioned in *Yì Jīng*: Emperor Y (Chapters 11 and 54), the penultimate Shāng emperor; Prince Jī (Chapter 36), his brother; and Marquis Kāng (Chapter 35), son of King Wén and half-brother of the Duke of Zhōu. (The early history of the Zhōu dynasty is discussed in detail in *Zhōng Yōng* [*The Doctrine of the Mean*], attributed to Confucius; see also Huang and Huang 1987.)

Underlying *Yì Jīng* is the concept of *yīn* and *yáng*, two basic, complementary forces seen as permeating the universe. *Yīn* is the dark, cold, passive, feminine force, while *yáng* denotes bright, hot, active, masculine energy. These two forces are found in all things, and harmony is gained in achieving the ideal balance between them. In *Yì Jīng*, *yáng* is indicated with a solid line (xxxxxxx), while *yīn* is associated with a broken line (xxx xxx). By selecting either a *yáng* line (solid line) or a *yīn* line (broken line) for top, middle, and bottom positions, eight possible arrangements -- eight trigrams -- can be generated. The trigrams are listed below, with their standard English designations.



## The eight trigrams

Heaven	Wind	Water	Thunder
xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxx xxx	xxx xxx
xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxx xxx
xxxxxxx	xxx xxx	xxx xxx	xxxxxxx

Earth	Mountain	Fire	Lake
xxx xxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxx xxx
xxx xxx	xxx xxx	xxx xxx	xxxxxxx
xxx xxx	xxx xxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx

In their own right, the eight trigrams bear rich symbolic associations. Loosely, the most important associations can be summarized as follows:

Heaven: masculine, creative, active  
Wind: wood, gentle, penetrating  
Water: the moon, a pit, danger  
Thunder: movement, danger  
Earth: feminine, receptive, passive  
Mountain: stagnation  
Fire: the sun, brightness, beauty  
Lake: pleasure, satisfaction

By placing the eight basic trigrams together vertically in groups of two, sixty-four possible arrangements can be generated. These are the sixty-four hexagrams corresponding to the sixty-four chapters of *Yì Jīng*. Although the concept of *yīn* and *yáng* is a very ancient one, it is probable that the hexagrams, which lend the text unity and structure, were not fully incorporated into *Yì Jīng* until the late Hàn dynasty (206 BCE - 220 CE). The motivation for the conventional ordering of the hexagrams has been a topic of much debate, but no entirely satisfactory theory has been forthcoming. For each hexagram, though, the treatment is essentially the same: each chapter contains an introduction, plus six lines of text corresponding, respectively, to the six lines of the hexagram discussed.

### Consulting *Yì Jīng*

Although the book can be read as literature, and provides invaluable insights on Chinese philosophy and history, it was originally conceived as a divination manual. The complex and time-consuming yarrow stick method was used for casting hexagrams in ancient times, but several other systems subsequently developed. These include the three coin method, the six coin method, the eight card method, and the cassia seed method, among others. A simple description of the three coin method is provided here. Using this method, three coins are simultaneously tossed a total of six times, leading to the identification of the appropriate hexagram. Heads represent *yáng*; tails represent *yīn*. The details of the process are as follows:

1. While reflecting on the desired question, toss three coins simultaneously.

2. Draw the bottom line of the hexagram according to the following chart:

0 heads: *yīn* (broken) line  
1 head : *yáng* (solid) line  
2 heads: *yīn* (broken) line  
3 heads: *yáng* (solid) line

3. Place a check mark beside the line if it resulted from 0 heads or 3 heads. The line is considered "moving" -- a line with a tendency to transform into its opposite *yīn* or *yáng* value.

4. Repeat the entire process six times, going up the hexagram until all six lines have been drawn.

5. Identify the upper and lower trigrams using the table of the eight trigrams above.

6. Locate the appropriate chapter in *Yì Jīng* by consulting the traditional table below. In the table, the horizontal axis indicates the upper trigram; the vertical axis lists the lower one. The chapter number appears at the intersection of the two axes.

#### Chapter numbers for the sixty-four hexagrams

	Above							
	Heaven	Earth	Thunder	Water	Mountain	Wind	Fire	Lake
Below								
Heaven	1	11	34	5	26	9	14	43
Earth	12	2	16	8	23	20	35	45
Thunder	25	24	51	3	27	42	21	17
Water	6	7	40	29	4	59	64	47
Mountain	33	15	62	39	52	53	56	31
Wind	44	46	32	48	18	57	50	28
Fire	13	36	55	63	22	37	30	49
Lake	10	19	54	60	41	61	38	58

7. Locate the page number for the desired chapter in the Table of Contents and turn to the appropriate page. Read the introduction. Then read the commentaries for moving lines only. Notice that within each chapter, the line commentaries are arranged in reverse order, with the bottom line commentary (labeled "1") appearing first and the top line commentary (labeled "TOP") appearing last.

8. If there are moving lines, redraw the hexagram by changing the moving lines to their opposite *yīn* or *yáng* values. Locate the corresponding chapter in *Yì Jīng*, and read only the introduction: the new hexagram suggests the direction in which the situation is changing. (A special situation applies when the original hexagram

is Heaven or Earth, and all six lines are moving lines. In this case, do not redraw the hexagram. Instead, read the special appended text appearing at the end of the chapter.) In all cases, careful contemplation on the text will be helpful.

A great, compelling, and unique work, *Yì Jīng* possesses a scope so vast as to allow each reader to approach it from a different perspective. Through its unique capacity to engage the reader in an interactive, creative process, *Yì Jīng* will continue to retain its prominent position among Chinese classics and the classics of world literature.

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## A *Pīnyīn* Pronunciation Guide

*Pīnyīn* transcriptions are generally easy to interpret. The pronunciation of most symbols is very similar to the normal American English pronunciation. Exceptions are listed below. Here again, pronunciations are similar to the American English sounds listed, but in order to develop a good accent it is essential to listen to native speakers of Chinese.

### CONSONANTS

**c** = English **ts**

**g** = English **g** as in **go**

**q** = English **ch**

**r** (beginning of Chinese word) = English **s** as in **vision** + English **r**  
-- simultaneously

**r** (end of Chinese word) = English **r**

**x** = English **sh**

**z** = English **dz**

**zh** = English **j**

### VOWELS

**e** = English **u** as in **up**

BUT **ye** = English **ye** as in **yes**

**i** = English **i** as in **machine**

BUT **chi** = **chr** (Rhymes with English **her**.)

**shi** = **shr** (Rhymes with English **her**.)

**zhi** = **zhr** (Rhymes with English **her**.)

**ri** = long word-initial Chinese **r**

**ci** = **ts** + English **oo** as in **took**, but with lips drawn back

**si** = **ts** + English **oo** as in **took**, but with lips drawn back

**zi** = **dz** + English **oo** as in **took**, but with lips drawn back

**o** (not before **ng**) = English **o** as in **or**

BUT **bo** = **bwo** (with **o** as in English **or**)

**po** = **pwo** (with **o** as in English **or**)

**mo** = **mwo** (with **o** as in English **or**)

**fo** = **fwo** (with **o** as in English **or**)

**o** (before **ng**) = English **u** as in **rude**

**ü** = English **i** as in **machine**, but with lips rounded

**u** (not before **n**) = English **u** as in **rude**

BUT **ju** = **jü**  
**qu** = **chü**  
**xu** = **shü**  
**yu** = **yü**

**u** (before **n**) = English **wo** as in **woman**

BUT **jun** = **jün**  
**qun** = **chün**  
**xun** = **shün**  
**yun** = **yün**

**a** (not before **n**) = English **a** as in **father**

**a** (before **n**) = English **a** as in **fat**

BUT **-ian** = English **yen**  
**yan** = English **yen**  
**juan** = **jü** + English **en** as in **yen**  
**quan** = **chü** + English **en** as in **yen**  
**xuan** = **shü** + English **en** as in **yen**  
**yuan** = **yü** + English **en** as in **yen**

#### DIPHTHONGS and TRIPHTHONGS

These are sequences of two or three vowels, e.g. **ia**, **iao**, **ue**. The components are pronounced in sequence to form the nucleus of a single syllable. Pronunciation is generally predictable from the basic values of the vowels; some exceptions have already been listed above when relevant. Remaining exceptions are as follows:

**ue** = **ü** + English **e** as in **yes**

**ie** = English **ye** as in **yes**

**ei** = English **é** as in **fiancé**

**iu** = **y** + English **owe**

**ou** = English **owe**

**ui** = English **way**

## TONES

Chinese has four tones. Generally, each syllable has a tone, but occasionally a syllable may occur without tone. The transcription of the four tones can be illustrated with the vowel **a**.

**ā** ("first tone") = high level tone

**á** ("second tone") = rising tone

**ǎ** ("third tone") = falling rising tone (slight fall + sharp rise)

**à** ("fourth tone") = falling tone

1.

Qián  
**HEAVEN**

xxxxxxx Heaven  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx Heaven  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx

qián. yuán xiǎng. lì zhēn.  
HEAVEN. MAJOR SACRIFICE. FAVORABLE OMEN.  
**HEAVEN. Let a MAJOR SACRIFICE be conducted. a FAVORABLE OMEN.**

1. qián lóng. wù yòng.  
SUBMERGE DRAGON. NOT ACT.  
**The DRAGON is SUBMERGED. Do NOT ACT.**

2. jiàn lóng zài tián. lì jiàn dà rén.  
SEE DRAGON IN FIELD. FAVORABLE SEE GREAT PERSON.  
**You SEE a DRAGON IN the FIELD. It is FAVORABLE to SEE the GREAT PERSON.**

3. jūn zǐ zhōng rì qián qián, xī tì ruò.  
NOBLE PERSON END DAY ENERGY ENERGY, EVENING VIGILANT THUS.  
**The NOBLE PERSON WORKS and WORKS till the END of the DAY, and is VIGILANT in the EVENING.**

lì, wú jiù.  
DANGER, NO HARM.  
**DANGER, NO HARM.**

4. huò yuè zài yuān. wú jiù.  
PERHAPS LEAP IN POOL. NO HARM.  
**PERHAPS the dragon is LEAPING IN the POOL. NO HARM.**

5. fēi lóng zài tiān. lì jiàn dà rén.  
FLY DRAGON IN SKY. FAVORABLE SEE GREAT PERSON.  
**The FLYING DRAGON is IN the SKY. It is FAVORABLE to SEE the GREAT PERSON.**



TOP: kàng lóng. yǒu huǐ.  
TOO-HIGH DRAGON. HAVE REGRET.  
**The DRAGON flies TOO HIGH. REGRETS.**

Appended text:  
jiàn qún lóng wú shǒu. jí.  
SEE HOST DRAGON NO HEAD. AUSPICIOUS.  
**You SEE a HOST of HEADLESS DRAGONS. AUSPICIOUS.**

2.

Kūn  
**EARTH**

xxx xxx Earth  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx Earth  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx

kūn. yuán xiǎng. lì pìn mǎ zhī zhēn.  
EARTH. MAJOR SACRIFICE. FAVORABLE FEMALE HORSE OF OMEN.  
**EARTH. Let a MAJOR SACRIFICE be conducted. The OMEN OF the MARE is FAVORABLE.**

jūn zǐ yǒu yōu wǎng. xiān mí, hòu dé zhǔ.  
NOBLE PERSON HAVE PURPOSE GO. FIRST LOST, LATER GAIN MASTER.  
**The NOBLE PERSON PROCEEDS WITH a PURPOSE. You may at FIRST be LOST, but LATER GAIN a MASTER.**

lì. xī nán dé péng, dōng běi sàng péng.  
FAVORABLE. WEST SOUTH GAIN FRIEND, EAST NORTH LOSE FRIEND.  
**FAVORABLE. a FRIEND will be GAINED in the SOUTHWEST, a FRIEND will be LOST in the NORTHEAST.**

ān zhēn jí.  
PEACE OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**The OMEN of PEACE is AUSPICIOUS.**

1. lǚ shuāng: jiān bīng zhì.  
TREAD FROST: HARD ICE COME.  
**You are TREADING on FROST: HARD ICE is COMING.**

2. zhí fāng dà: bù xí, wú bú lì.  
STRAIGHT SQUARE GREAT: NOT REVIEW, NOTHING NOT FAVORABLE.  
**STRAIGHT, SQUARE, and GREAT: even WITHOUT REVIEW, there is NOTHING that will NOT end FAVORABLY.**

3. hán zhāng kě zhēn.  
MAINTAIN INTEGRITY CAN DIVINE.  
**MAINTAIN your INTEGRITY and you CAN engage in DIVINATION.**

huò cóng wáng shì. wú chéng yǒu zhōng.  
PERHAPS UNDERTAKE KING AFFAIR. NOT ACHIEVE HAVE END.

**PERHAPS you will UNDERTAKE SERVICE to the KING. NONACHIEVEMENT will  
COME to an END.**

4. kuò náng. wú jiù wú yù.  
DRAW-TIGHT SACK. NO HARM NO PRAISE.

**The SACK has been DRAWN TIGHT. NEITHER HARM NOR PRAISE.**

5. huáng cháng. yuán jí.  
YELLOW GARMENT. MAJOR AUSPICIOUS.

**A YELLOW GARMENT. A MAJOR AUSPICIOUS omen.**

TOP: lóng zhàn yú yě. qí xuè xuán huáng.  
DRAGON BATTLE IN FIELD. THEIR BLOOD BLACK YELLOW.

**DRAGONS BATTLE IN the FIELD. THEIR BLOOD flows BLACK and YELLOW.**

Appended text:

lì yǒng zhēn.  
FAVORABLE ETERNAL OMEN.

**The OMEN of ETERNITY is FAVORABLE.**

3.

Zhūn

**DIFFICULTY**

xxx xxx Water

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xxx xxx Thunder

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zhūn. yuán xiǎng. lì zhēn.

DIFFICULTY. MAJOR SACRIFICE. FAVORABLE OMEN.

**DIFFICULTIES. Let a MAJOR SACRIFICE be conducted. a FAVORABLE OMEN.**

wù yòng yǒu yōu wǎng. lì jiàn hóu.

NOT ACT HAVE PURPOSE GO. FAVORABLE APPOINT NOBLEMAN.

**Do NOT PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE. It is FAVORABLE to APPOINT feudal PRINCES.**

1. pán huán: lì jū zhēn.

STONE PILLAR: FAVORABLE DWELL OMEN.

**STONE PILLARS: a FAVORABLE OMEN for REMAINING AT HOME.**

lì jiàn hóu.

FAVORABLE APPOINT PRINCE.

**It is FAVORABLE to APPOINT feudal PRINCES.**

2. zhūn rú zhān rú. shèng mǎ bān rú.

STUCK THUS BLOCKED THUS. CHARIOT HORSE TEAM THUS.

**You are STUCK AND BLOCKED. CHARIOTS and HORSES arrayed in TEAMS.**

fěi kòu hūn gòu.

ROBBER BANDIT MARRIAGE MATCH.

**ROBBERS and BANDITS seeking MARRIAGE.**

nǚ zǐ zhēn: bú zì. shí nián nǎi zì.

FEMALE PERSON OMEN: NOT WED. TEN YEAR THEN WED.

**The OMEN of the WOMAN: she shall NOT now be WED. In TEN YEARS she shall be WED.**

3. jí lù wú yú, wéi rù yú lín zhōng.  
APPROACH DEER NO VIGILANCE, MERELY ENTER INTO FOREST CENTER.  
**Those who HUNT DEER WITHOUT VIGILANCE MERELY STRAY INTO the DEPTHS of the FOREST.**

jūn zǐ jǐ: bù rú shě.  
NOBLE PERSON SUBTLE: NOT LIKE ABANDON.  
**The NOBLE PERSON possesses SUBTLE understanding: it is PREFERABLE to ABANDON the hunt.**

wǎng lìn.  
GO MISFORTUNE.  
**GOING forth will bring MISFORTUNE.**

4. shèng mǎ bān rú.  
CHARIOT HORSE TEAM THUS.  
**CHARIOTS and HORSES arrayed in TEAMS.**

qiú hūn gòu, wǎng jí. wú bú lì.  
SEEK MARRIAGE MATCH, GO AUSPICIOUS. NOTHING NOT FAVORABLE.  
**In SEEKING MARRIAGE, it is AUSPICIOUS to GO forth. There is NOTHING that will NOT end FAVORABLY.**

5. zhūn qí gāo.  
SAVE ITS FAT.  
**SAVE the FAT of the hunted deer.**

xiǎo zhēn jí, dà zhēn xiōng.  
SMALL OMEN AUSPICIOUS, GREAT OMEN INAUSPICIOUS.  
**AUSPICIOUS OMEN for SMALL matters, INAUSPICIOUS OMEN for GREAT matters.**

TOP: shèng mǎ bān rú. qì xuè lián rú.  
CHARIOT HORSE TEAM THUS. TEAR BLOOD FLOW THUS.  
**CHARIOTS and HORSES arrayed in TEAMS. TEARS and BLOOD will FLOW.**

4.

Méng  
**IGNORANCE**

xxxxxxx Mountain  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx Water  
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xxx xxx

méng. xiǎng.  
IGNORANCE. SACRIFICE.  
**IGNORANCE. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted.**

fěi wǒ qiú tóng méng.  
NOT I SEEK CHILD IGNORANCE.  
**It was NOT I who SOUGHT the IGNORANT CHILD.**

tóng méng qiú wǒ.  
CHILD IGNORANCE SEEK ME.  
**It was the IGNORANT CHILD who SOUGHT ME.**

chū shì gào. zài sān dú.  
FIRST DIVINATION TELL. TWICE THRICE DISRESPECT.  
**When the DIVINATION was FIRST conducted, I SPOKE. To ask TWICE and THRICE shows DISRESPECT.**

dú zé bú gào lì zhēn.  
DISRESPECT THEN NOT TELL FAVORABLE OMEN.  
**When there is DISRESPECT, I do NOT REVEAL a FAVORABLE OMEN.**

1. fā méng.  
EXPOSE IGNORANCE.  
**IGNORANCE is EXPOSED.**

lì yòng xíng rén, yòng tuō zhì gù,  
FAVORABLE ACT PUNISH PERSON, ACT REMOVE FETTER HANDCUFF,  
**It is FAVORABLE to PUNISH the PRISONER and to REMOVE his SHACKLES,**

yǐ wǎng lìn.  
BUT GO MISFORTUNE.  
**BUT GOING forth will bring MISFORTUNE.**

2. bāo méng jí.  
CONTAIN IGNORANCE AUSPICIOUS.  
**It is AUSPICIOUS to be TOLERANT with the IGNORANT.**

nà fù jí. zǐ kè jiā.  
TAKE WIFE AUSPICIOUS. SON CAN HOUSEHOLD.  
**It is AUSPICIOUS to CHOOSE a WIFE for the son. The SON CAN establish a HOUSEHOLD.**

3. wù yòng qǔ nǚ.  
NOT ACT TAKE WOMAN.  
**Do NOT CHOOSE the WOMAN.**

jiàn jīn fū, bù yǒu gōng.  
SEE GOLD MAN, NOT HAVE SELF.  
**She SEES the MAN and his GOLD, but she has LOST HERSELF.**

wú yǒu lì.  
NO PURPOSE FAVORABLE.  
**There is NO ENDEAVOR that will end FAVORABLY.**

4. kùn méng. lìn.  
SURROUND IGNORANCE. MISFORTUNE.  
**IGNORANCE is all AROUND. MISFORTUNE.**

5. tóng méng. jí.  
CHILD IGNORANCE. AUSPICIOUS.  
**An IGNORANT CHILD. AUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: jī méng, bú lì wéi kòu:  
ATTACK IGNORANCE, NOT FAVORABLE ACT ENEMY:  
**In DISPELLING IGNORANCE, it is NOT FAVORABLE to ACT as an ENEMY:**

lì yù kòu.  
FAVORABLE WARD-OFF ENEMY.  
**It is FAVORABLE to WARD OFF ENEMIES.**

5.

xū

**WAITING**

xxx xxx Water

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xxxxxxx Heaven

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xū. yǒu fú guāng. xiǎng.

WAIT. HAVE TRUST GLORY. SACRIFICE.

**WAITING. TRUST and GLORY. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted.**

zhēn jí. lì shè dà chuān.

OMEN AUSPICIOUS. FAVORABLE FORD GREAT RIVER.

**The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS. It is FAVORABLE to FORD the GREAT RIVER.**

1. xū yú jiāo.

WAIT IN COUNTRYSIDE.

**You WAIT IN the COUNTRYSIDE.**

lì yòng héng. wú jiù.

FAVORABLE ACT CONSTANT. NO HARM.

**It is FAVORABLE to ACT with CONSTANCY. NO HARM.**

2. xū yú shā. xiǎo yǒu yán. zhōng jí.

WAIT IN SAND. SMALL HAVE SPEECH. END AUSPICIOUS.

**You WAIT IN the SAND. A SMALL DISCUSSION. The END will be AUSPICIOUS.**

3. xū yú ní. zhì kòu zhì.

WAIT IN MUD. CAUSE ENEMY ARRIVE.

**You WAIT IN the MUD. This CAUSES ENEMIES to COME.**

4. xū yú xuè. chū zì xué.

WAIT AT BLOOD. EXIT FROM CAVE.

**You WAIT IN the presence of BLOOD. You EMERGE FROM the CAVE.**



5. xū yú jiǔ shí. zhēn jí.  
WAIT AT WINE FOOD. OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**You WAIT IN the presence of FOOD and WINE. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: rù yú xué yǒu bú sù zhī kè sān rén lái.  
ENTER TO CAVE HAVE NOT INVITE [PART] GUEST THREE PERSON COME.  
**ENTERING INTO the CAVE there COME THREE UNINVITED GUESTS.**

jìng zhī zhōng jí.  
RESPECT THEM END AUSPICIOUS.  
**RESPECT THEM and the END will be AUSPICIOUS.**

6.

Sòng

**A DISPUTE**

xxxxxxx Heaven  
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xxx xxx Water  
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xxx xxx

sòng. yǒu fú, zhì. tì.  
DISPUTE. HAVE TRUST, OBSTRUCT. VIGILANT.  
**A DISPUTE. There IS TRUST, yet there are OBSTRUCTIONS. Be VIGILANT.**

zhōng jí, zhōng xiōng.  
MIDDLE AUSPICIOUS, END INAUSPICIOUS.  
**MIDWAY all things are AUSPICIOUS, but the END will bring ILL FATE.**

lì jiàn dà rén.  
FAVORABLE SEE GREAT PERSON.  
**It is FAVORABLE to SEE the GREAT PERSON.**

bú lì shè dà chuān.  
NOT FAVORABLE FORD GREAT RIVER.  
**It is NOT FAVORABLE to FORD the GREAT RIVER.**

1. bù yǒng suǒ shì. xiǎo yǒu yán.  
NOT PERPETUAL [PART] AFFAIR. SMALL HAVE SPEECH.  
**It is NOT beneficial to PERSIST in the AFFAIR. A SMALL DISCUSSION.**

zhōng jí.  
END AUSPICIOUS.  
**The END will be AUSPICIOUS.**

2. bú kè sòng. guī ér bū.  
NOT CAN DISPUTE. RETURN AND FLEE.  
**Do NOT DISPUTE. RETURN home! FLEE!**

qí yì rén sān bǎi hù, wú shēng.  
THE CITY PERSON THREE HUNDRED HOUSEHOLD, NO ERROR.  
**THE TOWNSPEOPLE, THREE HUNDRED HOUSEHOLDS, commit NO ERROR.**

3. shí jiù dé. zhēn lì, zhōng jí.  
NOURISH OLD VIRTUE. OMEN DANGER, END AUSPICIOUS.  
**NOURISH ANCIENT VIRTUE. An OMEN of DANGER, but the END will be AUSPICIOUS.**

huò cóng wáng shì. wú chéng.  
PERHAPS UNDERTAKE KING AFFAIR. NOT ACHIEVE.  
**PERHAPS you will UNDERTAKE SERVICE to the KING. NO ACHIEVEMENT.**

4. bú kè sòng. fù jí mìng.  
NOT CAN DISPUTE. RETURN APPROACH FATE.  
**Do NOT DISPUTE. APPROACHING FATE RETURNS.**

yú. ān zhēn jí.  
CHANGE-OF-HEART. PEACE OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**A CHANGE OF HEART. The OMEN of PEACE is AUSPICIOUS.**

5. sòng. yuán jí.  
DISPUTE. MAJOR AUSPICIOUS.  
**A DISPUTE. A MAJOR AUSPICIOUS omen.**

TOP: huò xī zhī pán dài.  
PERHAPS GRANT WHICH LEATHER BELT.  
**A LEATHER BELT WHICH will PERHAPS be GRANTED.**

zhōng zhāo sān chǐ zhī.  
END MORNING THREE STRIP IT.  
**IT will be STRIPPED off THRICE by the END of the MORNING.**

7.

Shī  
**THE ARMY**

xxx xxx Earth  
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xxx xxx  
xxx xxx Water  
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shī. zhēn zhàng rén jí. wú jiù.  
ARMY. OMEN POWERFUL-MALE PERSON AUSPICIOUS. NO HARM.  
**The ARMY. The OMEN of the POWERFUL MAN is AUSPICIOUS. NO HARM.**

1. shī chū yǐ lù, fǒu zàng xiōng.  
ARMY EXIT TAKE DISCIPLINE, OTHERWISE AMASS INAUSPICIOUS.  
**When the ARMY MARCHES forth APPLY DISCIPLINE LEST you AMASS ILL FATE.**

2. zài shī zhōng jí. wú jiù.  
IN ARMY CENTER AUSPICIOUS. NO HARM.  
**AUSPICIOUS for those IN the MIDST of the ARMY. NO HARM.**

wáng sān xī mìng.  
KING THREE GRANT RANK.  
**The KING THRICE GRANTS titles of RANK.**

3. shī huò yú shī. xiōng.  
ARMY PERHAPS CART CORPSE. INAUSPICIOUS.  
**PERHAPS the ARMY is CARTING CORPSES. INAUSPICIOUS.**

4. shī zuǒ cì. wú jiù.  
ARMY LEFT STOPOVER. NO HARM.  
**The ARMY makes its ENCAMPMENT on the LEFT. NO HARM.**

5. tián yǒu qín. lì zhí yán. wú jiù.  
FIELD HAVE FOWL. FAVORABLE HOLD SPEECH. NO HARM.  
**FOWL in the FIELD. It is FAVORABLE to REFRAIN from SPEAKING. NO HARM.**

zhǎng zǐ shuài shī, dì zǐ yú shī.  
ELDER SON COMMAND ARMY, YOUNGER SON CART CORPSE.  
**The ELDER SON COMMANDS the ARMY, the YOUNGER SON is CARTING CORPSES.**

zhēn xiōng.  
OMEN INAUSPICIOUS.  
**The OMEN is INAUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: dà jūn yǒu mìng. kāi guó chéng jiā.  
GREAT PRINCE HAVE DESTINY. FOUND STATE CONTINUE FAMILY.  
**The GREAT PRINCE FOLLOWS his DESTINY. He FOUNDS a STATE and  
PERPETUATES the DYNASTY.**

xiǎo rén wù yòng.  
SMALL PERSON NOT ACT.  
**The LOWLY PERSON must NOT ACT.**

8.

Bǐ

**STANDING TOGETHER**

xxx xxx Water  
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xxx xxx Earth  
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bǐ. jí. yuán shì: yuán yǒng zhēn.  
STAND-TOGETHER. AUSPICIOUS. PRIMAL ORACLE: FUNDAMENTAL ETERNAL OMEN.  
**STANDING TOGETHER. AUSPICIOUS. The PRIMAL ORACLE: the FUNDAMENTAL and ETERNAL OMEN.**

wú jiù.  
NO HARM.  
**NO HARM.**

bù níng fāng lái, hòu fū xiōng.  
NOT PEACEFUL PLACE COME, LATER MAN INAUSPICIOUS.  
**In COMING from the PLACE of STRIFE, the LATER MAN will meet with ILL FATE.**

1. yǒu fú bǐ zhī. wú jiù.  
HAVE TRUST STAND-TOGETHER HIM. NO HARM.  
**If there IS TRUST, STAND TOGETHER with HIM. NO HARM.**

yǒu fú yíng fǒu: zhōng lái yǒu tā. jí.  
HAVE TRUST FULL EARTHENWARE: END COME HAVE IT. AUSPICIOUS.  
**TRUST is like a FULL EARTHEN JAR: when the END COMES you will HAVE ENOUGH. AUSPICIOUS.**

2. bǐ zhī zì nèi. zhēn jí.  
STAND-TOGETHER HIM FROM WITHIN. OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**STAND TOGETHER with HIM INWARDLY. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

3. bǐ zhī fěi rén.  
STAND-TOGETHER HIM BANDIT PERSON.  
**Those who STAND TOGETHER with HIM are BANDITS.**

4. wài bǐ zhī. zhēn jí.  
OUTWARD STAND-TOGETHER HIM. OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**STAND TOGETHER with HIM OUTWARDLY. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

5. xiǎn bǐ.  
MANIFEST STAND-TOGETHER.  
**STANDING TOGETHER is MANIFESTED.**

wáng yòng sān qū. shī qián qín.  
KING ACT THREE DRIVE. LOSE FORWARD FOWL.  
**The KING DRIVES out the game birds THRICE. He LOSES the FORWARD-  
running FOWL.**

yì rén bú jiè. jí.  
CITY PERSON NOT ADMONISH. AUSPICIOUS.  
**The TOWNSPEOPLE have NOT been ADMONISHED. AUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: bǐ zhī wú shǒu. xiōng.  
STAND-TOGETHER HIM NO HEAD. INAUSPICIOUS.  
**Those who STAND TOGETHER with HIM will LOSE their HEADS.  
INAUSPICIOUS.**

9.

Xiǎo Chù  
**SMALL CATTLE**

xxxxxxx Wind  
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xxxxxxx Heaven  
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xiǎo chù. xiǎng.  
SMALL CATTLE. SACRIFICE.

**A SMALL offering of CATTLE. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted.**

mì yún bù yǔ, zì wǒ xī jiāo.  
THICK CLOUD NOT RAIN, FROM MY WEST COUNTRYSIDE.  
**THICK CLOUDS WITHOUT RAIN, approaching FROM MY WESTERN FIELDS.**

1. fù zì dào: hé qí jiù? jí.  
RETURN FROM ROAD: HOW THIS HARM? AUSPICIOUS.  
**You RETURN FROM a JOURNEY: HOW could there be HARM in THIS? AUSPICIOUS.**
2. qiān fù. jí.  
LEAD RETURN. AUSPICIOUS.  
**You LEAD the RETURN. AUSPICIOUS.**
3. yú tuō fú. fū qī fǎn mù.  
CART CAST SPOKE. HUSBAND WIFE CONTRARY EYE.  
**The CART CASTS off SPOKES. HUSBAND and WIFE do NOT see EYE to eye.**
4. yǒu fú, xuè qù, tì chū. wú jiù.  
HAVE TRUST, BLOOD GO, VIGILANT EXIT. NO HARM.  
**If there IS TRUST, BLOODSHED will CEASE, but DEPART with VIGILANCE. NO HARM.**
5. yǒu fú luán rú, fù yǐ qí lín.  
HAVE TRUST TIGHT THUS, WEALTHY TAKE YOUR NEIGHBOR.  
**If there IS SOLID TRUST, WEALTH will be FOUND in YOUR NEIGHBOR.**

TOP: jì yǔ jì chù. shàng dé zài. fù zhēn lì.  
BOTH RAIN AND PLACE. STILL VIRTUE EVERYWHERE. WOMAN OMEN DANGER.  
**RAIN, AND a PLACE of shelter. VIRTUE REMAINS EVERYWHERE. An OMEN of DANGER for the WOMAN.**



yuè jī wàng. jūn zǐ zhēng xiōng.  
MOON NEARLY FULL. NOBLE PERSON ADVANCE INAUSPICIOUS.  
**The MOON is NEARLY FULL. INAUSPICIOUS for the NOBLE PERSON to  
ADVANCE.**

10.

Lǚ

**TREADING**

xxxxxxx Heaven  
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xxx xxx Lake  
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lǚ hǔ wěi. bù dié rén. xiǎng.

TREAD TIGER TAIL. NOT BITE PERSON. SACRIFICE.

**You are TREADING on the TIGER'S TAIL. The tiger does NOT BITE. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted.**

1. sù lǚ wǎng. wú jiù.

SIMPLE TREAD GO. NO HARM.

**In GOING forth, TREAD with SIMPLICITY. NO HARM.**

2. lǚ dào tǎn tǎn. yōu rén zhēn jí.

TREAD PATH SMOOTH SMOOTH. SECLUDED PERSON OMEN AUSPICIOUS.

**You are TREADING on a SMOOTH and LEVEL PATH. For the PERSON in SECLUSION, the OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

3. miǎo néng shì, bǒ néng lǚ

HALF-BLIND CAN SEE, LAME CAN TREAD.

**The HALF-BLIND CAN SEE, the LAME CAN WALK.**

lǚ hǔ wěi. dié rén. xiōng.

TREAD TIGER TAIL. BITE PERSON. INAUSPICIOUS.

**You are TREADING on the TIGER'S TAIL. The tiger BITES. INAUSPICIOUS.**

wǔ rén wéi yú dà jūn.

MILITARY PERSON ACT AT GREAT PRINCE.

**The WARRIOR ACTS FOR the GREAT PRINCE.**

4. lǚ hǔ wěi. sù sù. zhōng jí.

TREAD TIGER TAIL. FRIGHTFUL FRIGHTFUL. END AUSPICIOUS.

**You are TREADING on the TIGER'S TAIL. FRIGHTFUL and TERRIFYING. The END will be AUSPICIOUS.**

5. guài lǚ. zhēn lì.

STRIDE TREAD. OMEN DANGER.

**You are TREADING with great STRIDES. An OMEN of DANGER.**

TOP: shì lǚ kǎo xiáng. qí xuán yuán jí.  
SEE TREAD CONSIDER AUSPICIOUS. [PART] SOON MAJOR AUSPICIOUS.  
**WATCH your STEPS and CONSIDER GOOD FORTUNE. A MAJOR AUSPICIOUS omen  
will SOON be seen.**

11.

Tài  
**PEACE**

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xxxxxxx Heaven  
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tài. xiǎo wǎng, dà lái. jí. xiǎng.  
PEACE. SMALL GO, GREAT COME. AUSPICIOUS. SACRIFICE.  
**PEACE. SMALL things GO, GREAT things COME. AUSPICIOUS. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted.**

1. bá máo: rú yǐ qí huì. zhēng jí.  
PULL REED: ROOT TAKE THEIR GATHERING. ADVANCE AUSPICIOUS.  
**PULL up the REEDS: GATHER THEM at the ROOTS. AUSPICIOUS for the army to ADVANCE.**

2. bāo huāng, yòng píng hé, bù xiá yí péng.  
EMBRACE WASTELAND, ACT FORD RIVER, NOT FAR LEAVE FRIEND.  
**EMBRACE the WASTELAND and FORD the RIVER, but do NOT LEAVE FRIENDS FAR behind.**

wáng, dé shàng yú zhōng xíng.  
PERISH, GAIN STILL AT MIDDLE GO.  
**Though friends have PERISHED, there will STILL be GAINS IN MID COURSE.**

3. wú píng bù bēi, wú wǎng bú fù.  
NO PLAIN NOT UNEVEN, NO GO NOT RETURN.  
**There is NO PLAIN WITHOUT UNEVEN places, there is NO GOING that does NOT RETURN.**

jiān zhēn. wú jiù.  
DIFFICULT OMEN. NO HARM.  
**An OMEN of DIFFICULTIES. NO HARM.**

wù xù qí fú: yú shí yǒu fú.  
NOT CONCERN THEIR TRUST: IN FOOD HAVE GOOD-FORTUNE.  
**Do NOT be CONCERNED with securing THEIR TRUST: IN the FOOD offering IS GOOD FORTUNE.**

4. piān piān. bú fù yǐ qí lín.  
GRACEFUL GRACEFUL. NOT WEALTHY TAKE YOUR NEIGHBOR.  
**GRACE and ELEGANCE. POVERTY will OCCUR through YOUR NEIGHBOR.**

bú jiè yǐ fú.  
NOT ADMONISH TAKE TRUST.  
**ADMONISH NO ONE and ESTABLISH TRUST.**

5. Dì Yǐ guī mèi. yǐ zhǐ.  
EMPEROR YI MARRY YOUNGER-SISTER. TAKE HAPPINESS.  
**EMPEROR YI gives his YOUNGER SISTER in MARRIAGE. HAPPINESS.**

yuán jí.  
MAJOR AUSPICIOUS.  
**A MAJOR AUSPICIOUS omen.**

TOP: chéng fù yú huáng. wù yòng shī.  
WALL RETURN IN MOAT. NOT USE ARMY.  
**The WALL COLLAPSES INTO the MOAT. Do NOT SEND out the ARMY.**

zì yì gào mìng. zhēn lìn.  
FROM CITY ANNOUNCE COMMAND. OMEN MISFORTUNE.  
**COMMANDS are ISSUED FROM the CITY. An OMEN of MISFORTUNE.**

12.

Pǐ

**OBSTRUCTION**

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pǐ zhī fěi rén.  
OBSTRUCT HIM BANDIT PERSON.  
**Those who OBSTRUCT HIM are BANDITS.**

bú lì jūn zǐ zhēn. dà wǎng, xiǎo lái.  
NOT FAVORABLE NOBLE PERSON OMEN. GREAT GO, SMALL COME.  
**The OMEN of the NOBLE PERSON is UNFAVORABLE. GREAT things GO, SMALL things COME.**

1. bá máo: rú yǐ qí huì. zhēn jí.  
PULL REED: ROOT TAKE THEIR GATHERING. OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**PULL up the REEDS: GATHER THEM at the ROOTS. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

xiǎng.  
SACRIFICE.  
**Let a SACRIFICE be conducted.**

2. bāo chéng. xiǎo rén jí. dà rén pǐ.  
WRAP CARRY. SMALL PERSON AUSPICIOUS. GREAT PERSON OBSTRUCT.  
**WRAP up the offering and CARRY it. AUSPICIOUS for the LOWLY. The GREAT PERSON will be OBSTRUCTED.**

xiǎng.  
SACRIFICE.  
**Let a SACRIFICE be conducted.**

3. bāo xiū.  
WRAP DELICACY.  
**WRAP up the DELICACIES.**

4. yǒu mìng. wú jiù. chóu lí zhǐ.  
HAVE DESTINY. NO HARM. CULTIVATE RADIANT HAPPINESS.  
**DESTINY. NO HARM. CULTIVATE RADIANT HAPPINESS.**

5. xiū pǐ. dà rén jí.  
CEASE OBSTRUCT. GREAT PERSON AUSPICIOUS.  
**OBSTRUCTIONS CEASE. AUSPICIOUS for the GREAT PERSON.**

qí wáng, qí wáng, xì yú bāo sāng.  
SOMEONE PERISH, SOMEONE PERISH, TIE TO LUXURIANT MULBERRY.  
**SOMEONE shall PERISH, SOMEONE shall PERISH, TIED to the BURGEONING  
MULBERRY tree!**

TOP: qīng pǐ: xiān pǐ, hòu xǐ.  
COLLAPSE OBSTRUCT: FIRST OBSTRUCT, THEN JOY.  
**OBSTRUCTIONS COLLAPSE: at FIRST there are OBSTRUCTIONS, THEN  
JOY.**

13.

Tóng Rén  
**GATHERING**

xxxxxxx Heaven  
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xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx Fire  
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tóng rén yú yě. xiǎng.  
GATHER PERSON IN FIELD. SACRIFICE.  
**PEOPLE GATHER IN the FIELD. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted.**

lì shè dà chuān.  
FAVORABLE FORD GREAT RIVER.  
**It is FAVORABLE to FORD the GREAT RIVER.**

lì jūn zǐ zhēn.  
FAVORABLE NOBLE PERSON OMEN.  
**The OMEN of the NOBLE PERSON is FAVORABLE.**

1. tóng rén yú mén. wú jiù.  
GATHER PERSON AT GATE. NO HARM.  
**PEOPLE GATHER AT the GATE. NO HARM.**

2. tóng rén yú zōng. lìn.  
GATHER PERSON AT ANCESTOR. MISFORTUNE.  
**PEOPLE GATHER AT the ANCESTRAL temple. MISFORTUNE.**

3. fú róng yú mǎng.  
LIE ARMY IN GRASS.  
**The ARMY LIES in ambush IN the GRASS.**

shēng qí gāo líng. sān suì bù xīng.  
ASCEND THE HIGH HILL. THREE YEAR NOT PREVAIL.  
**SCALE THE HIGH HILLS. For THREE YEARS you shall NOT PREVAIL.**

4. chéng qí yōng, fú kè gōng. jí.  
RIDE THE WALL, NOT CAN ATTACK. AUSPICIOUS.  
**Enemies RIDE up to THE WALL, but CANNOT ATTACK. AUSPICIOUS.**

5. tóng rén. xiān háo táo ér hòu xiào.  
GATHER PERSON. FIRST CRY WAIL BUT LATER LAUGH.  
**The PEOPLE GATHER. FIRST they CRY and WAIL, BUT LATER there is LAUGHTER.**



dà shī kè xiāng yù.  
GREAT ARMY CAN MUTUALLY MEET.  
**The GREAT ARMIES CAN MEET.**

TOP: tóng rén yú jiāo. wú huǐ.  
GATHER PERSON IN COUNTRYSIDE. NO REGRET  
**PEOPLE GATHER IN the COUNTRYSIDE. NO REGRETS.**

14.

Dà Yǒu

**GREAT POSSESSION**

xxxxxxx      Fire  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx      Heaven  
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dà      yǒu.      yuán      xiǎng.  
GREAT POSSESS. MAJOR SACRIFICE.

**GREAT POSSESSION. Let a MAJOR SACRIFICE be conducted.**

1. wú      jiāo      hài,      fěi      jiù.      jiān      zé      wú      jiù.  
NO MUTUAL INJURY, NO HARM. DIFFICULT BUT NO HARM.  
**NO MUTUAL INJURY or HARM. DIFFICULTIES, BUT NO HARM.**

2. dà      chē      yǐ      zài.      yǒu      yōu      wǎng.      wú      jiù.  
GREAT CART TAKE LOAD. HAVE PURPOSE GO. NO HARM.  
**The GREAT CART is LOADED. PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE. NO HARM.**

3. gōng      yòng      xiǎng      yú      tiān      zǐ.      xiǎo      rén      fú      kè.  
DUKE ACT SACRIFICE AT HEAVEN SON. SMALL PERSON NOT CAN.  
**The DUKE CONDUCTS a SACRIFICE BEFORE the EMPEROR. The LOWLY CANNOT do this.**

4. fěi      qí      péng.      wú      jiù.  
NOT [PART] OVERBEARING. NO HARM.  
**Do NOT be OVERBEARING. NO HARM.**

5. jué      fú      jiāo      rú,      wēi      rú.      jí.  
THEIR TRUST MUTUAL THUS, STRONG THUS. AUSPICIOUS.  
**THEIR TRUST is MUTUAL and STRONG. AUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: zì      tiān      yòu      zhī.      jí.      wú      bú      lì.  
FROM HEAVEN PROTECT THEM. AUSPICIOUS. NOTHING NOT FAVORABLE.  
**THEY receive HEAVENLY PROTECTION. AUSPICIOUS. There is NOTHING that will NOT end FAVORABLY.**

15.

Qiān

**MODESTY**

xxx xxx Earth  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx Mountain  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx

qiān. xiǎng. jūn zǐ yǒu zhōng.  
MODESTY. SACRIFICE. NOBLE PERSON HAVE END.

**MODESTY. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted. The NOBLE PERSON COMPLETES what he undertakes.**

1. qiān qiān. jūn zǐ yòng shè dà chuān. jí.  
MODESTY MODESTY. NOBLE PERSON ACT FORD GREAT RIVER. AUSPICIOUS.  
**MODESTY ALWAYS. The NOBLE PERSON FORDS the GREAT RIVER. AUSPICIOUS.**

2. míng qiān. zhēn jí.  
EXPRESS MODESTY. OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**EXPRESS MODESTY. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

3. láo qiān. jūn zǐ yǒu zhōng. jí.  
LABOR MODESTY. NOBLE PERSON HAVE END. AUSPICIOUS.  
**LABOR in MODESTY. The NOBLE PERSON COMPLETES what he undertakes. AUSPICIOUS.**

4. wú bú lì. huī qiān.  
NOTHING NOT FAVORABLE. INDICATE MODESTY.  
**There is NOTHING that will NOT end FAVORABLY. SHOW MODESTY.**

5. bú fù yǐ qí lín.  
NOT WEALTH TAKE YOUR NEIGHBOR.  
**POVERTY will OCCUR through YOUR NEIGHBOR.**

lì yòng qīn fá. wú bú lì.  
FAVORABLE ACT INVADE ATTACK. NOTHING NOT FAVORABLE.  
**It is FAVORABLE to INVADE and ATTACK. There is NOTHING that will NOT end FAVORABLY.**

TOP: míng qiān. lì yòng xíng shī, zhēng yì guó.  
EXPRESS MODESTY. FAVORABLE ACT ENGAGE ARMY, SUBDUE CITY NATION.  
**EXPRESS MODESTY. It is FAVORABLE to SEND out the ARMY, SUBDUING CITIES and NATIONS.**

16.

Yù

**HAPPINESS**

xxx xxx Thunder

xxx xxx

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xxx xxx Earth

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xxx xxx

yù. lì jiàn hóu, xíng shī.

HAPPINESS. FAVORABLE APPOINT PRINCE, ENGAGE ARMY.

**HAPPINESS. It is FAVORABLE to APPOINT feudal PRINCES and to SEND out the ARMY.**

1. míng yù. xiōng.

EXPRESS HAPPINESS. INAUSPICIOUS.

**You EXPRESS HAPPINESS. INAUSPICIOUS.**

2. jiè yú shí, bù zhōng rì. zhēn jí.

ARMOR ON ROCK, NOT END DAY. OMEN AUSPICIOUS.

**There is ARMOR ON the ROCK, but it is GONE by END of the DAY. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

3. xū yù. huǐ: chí yǒu huǐ.

RAISE-EYES HAPPINESS. REGRET: DELAY HAVE REGRET.

**RAISE your EYES to HAPPINESS. REGRETS: DELAY will BRING REGRETS.**

4. yǒu yù. dà yǒu dé.

CAUSE HAPPINESS. GREAT HAVE GAIN.

**a CAUSE for HAPPINESS. GREAT GAINS.**

wù yí: péng hé zān.

NOT DOUBT: FRIEND JOIN CLASP.

**Do NOT DOUBT: FRIENDS will JOIN like a CLASP.**

5. zhēn jí héng, bù sǐ.

OMEN ILLNESS LASTING, NOT DIE.

**An OMEN of LASTING ILLNESS, but you shall NOT DIE.**

TOP: míng yù. chéng yǒu yú. wú jiù.

DARK HAPPINESS. ACHIEVE HAVE CHANGE-OF-HEART. NO HARM.

**HAPPINESS in a DARK place. ACHIEVEMENT BRINGS a CHANGE OF HEART. NO HARM.**

17.

Suí  
**FOLLOWING**

xxx xxx Lake  
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xxx xxx Thunder  
xxx xxx  
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suí. yuán xiǎng. lì zhēn. wú jiù.  
FOLLOWING. MAJOR SACRIFICE. FAVORABLE OMEN. NO HARM.  
**FOLLOWING. Let a MAJOR SACRIFICE be conducted. A FAVORABLE OMEN. NO HARM.**

1. guān yǒu yú. zhēn jí.  
OFFICIAL HAVE CHANGE-OF-HEART. OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**OFFICIALS HAVE a CHANGE OF HEART. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

chū mén jiāo yǒu gōng.  
EXIT GATE MEET HAVE MERITORIOUS-ACHIEVEMENT.  
**To EXIT through the GATE and MEET will BRING MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENTS.**

2. xì xiǎo zǐ, shī zhàng fū.  
TIE SMALL BOY, LOSE POWERFUL-MALE MAN.  
**You are TIED to the SMALL BOY, but LOSE the POWERFUL MAN.**

3. xì zhàng fū, shī xiǎo zǐ.  
TIE POWERFUL-MALE MAN, LOSE SMALL BOY.  
**You are TIED to the POWERFUL MAN, but LOSE the SMALL BOY.**

suí yǒu qiú dé. lì jū zhēn.  
FOLLOW HAVE SEEK GAIN. FAVORABLE DWELL OMEN.  
**FOLLOWING BRINGS the GAINS that are SOUGHT. A FAVORABLE OMEN for REMAINING AT HOME.**

4. suí yǒu huò. zhēn xiōng.  
FOLLOWING HAVE ACQUIRE. OMEN INAUSPICIOUS.  
**FOLLOWING BRINGS ACQUISITIONS. The OMEN is INAUSPICIOUS.**

yǒu fú zài dào, yǐ míng. hé jiù?  
HAVE TRUST ON ROAD, TAKE CLEAR. HOW HARM?  
**MAINTAINING TRUST ON the ROAD BRINGS CLARITY. HOW could there be HARM?**

5. fú yú jiā. jí.  
TRUST IN EXCELLENT. AUSPICIOUS.  
**TRUST IN EXCELLENCE. AUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: jū xì zhī, nǎi cóng wéi zhī.  
SEIZE TIE HIM, THEN FROM BOND HIM.  
**SEIZE and TIE HIM, THEN release HIM FROM his BONDS.**

wáng yòng xiǎng yú xī shān.  
KING ACT SACRIFICE AT WEST MOUNTAIN.  
**The KING CONDUCTS a SACRIFICE AT the WESTERN MOUNTAIN.**

18.

Gǔ

**CORRUPTION**

xxxxxxx Mountain  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx Wind  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx

gǔ. yuán xiǎng. lì shè dà chuān.  
CORRUPTION. MAJOR SACRIFICE. FAVORABLE FORD GREAT RIVER.

**CORRUPTION. Let a MAJOR SACRIFICE be conducted. It is FAVORABLE to FORD the GREAT RIVER.**

xiān jiǎ sān rì, hòu jiǎ sān rì.  
BEFORE ARMOR THREE DAY, AFTER ARMOR THREE DAY.

**Wearing ARMOR THREE DAYS BEFORE, wearing ARMOR THREE DAYS AFTER.**

1. gàn fù zhī gǔ.  
DO FATHER [PART] CORRUPTION.

**DEAL with CORRUPTION caused BY the FATHER.**

yǒu zǐ, kǎo wú jiù. lì, zhōng jí.  
HAVE SON, DECEASED-FATHER NO BLAME. DANGER, END AUSPICIOUS.

**If there IS a SON, the DECEASED FATHER shall suffer NO BLAME. DANGER, but the END will be AUSPICIOUS.**

2. gàn mǔ zhī gǔ. bù kě zhēn.  
DO MOTHER [PART] CORRUPTION. NOT CAN DIVINE.

**DEAL with CORRUPTION caused BY the MOTHER. Do NOT engage in DIVINATION.**

3. gàn fù zhī gǔ.  
DO FATHER [PART] CORRUPTION.

**DEAL with CORRUPTION caused BY the FATHER.**

xiǎo yǒu huǐ. wú dà jiù.  
SMALL HAVE REGRET. NO GREAT HARM.

**REGRETS about SMALL matters. NO GREAT HARM.**

4. yù fù zhī gǔ. wǎng jiàn lìn.  
ENRICH FATHER [PART] CORRUPT. GO SEE MISFORTUNE.

**ENRICH what was CORRUPTED BY the FATHER. When GOING forth, you will SEE MISFORTUNE.**

5. gàn fù zhī gǔ. yòng yù.  
DO FATHER [PART] CORRUPTION. USE PRAISE.  
**DEAL with CORRUPTION caused BY the FATHER. EXPRESS PRAISE.**

TOP: bú shì wáng hóu. gāo shàng qí shì.  
NOT AFFAIR KING NOBLEMAN. HIGH VALUE YOUR AFFAIR.  
**Do NOT SERVE KINGS and NOBLES. Place a HIGH VALUE on YOUR own AFFAIRS.**



19.

Lín

**APPROACHING**

xxx xxx Earth  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx Lake  
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lín. yuán xiǎng. lì zhēn.  
APPROACH. MAJOR SACRIFICE. FAVORABLE OMEN.  
**APPROACHING. Let a MAJOR SACRIFICE be conducted. a FAVORABLE OMEN.**

zhì yú bā yuè yǒu xiōng.  
ARRIVE AT EIGHT MOON HAVE INAUSPICIOUS.  
**The ARRIVAL OF the EIGHTH MONTH BRINGS ILL FATE.**

1. xián lín. zhēn jí.  
UNITE APPROACH. OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**a UNITED APPROACH. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

2. xián lín. jí. wú bú lì.  
UNITE APPROACH. AUSPICIOUS. NOTHING NOT FAVORABLE.  
**a UNITED APPROACH. AUSPICIOUS. There is NOTHING that will NOT end FAVORABLY.**

3. gān lín. wú yǒu lì.  
PLEASANT APPROACH. NO PURPOSE FAVORABLE.  
**You APPROACH AGREEABLY. There is NO ENDEAVOR that will end FAVORABLY.**

jì yǒu zhī. wú jiù.  
ALREADY GRIEVE IT. NO HARM.  
**There has ALREADY been GRIEVING about THIS. NO HARM.**

4. zhì lín. wú jiù.  
ARRIVE APPROACH. NO HARM.  
**You ARRIVE and APPROACH. NO HARM.**

5. zhī lín. dà jūn zhī yí. jí.  
KNOW APPROACH. GREAT PRINCE [PART] BEFIT. AUSPICIOUS.  
**One must KNOW how to APPROACH. This BEFITS a GREAT PRINCE. AUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: dūn        lín.        jí.        wú jiù.  
HONESTY APPROACH. AUSPICIOUS. NO HARM.  
**You APPROACH with HONESTY. AUSPICIOUS. NO HARM.**

20.

Guān

**VIEWING**

xxxxxxx Wind  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx Earth  
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xxx xxx

guān. guàn ér bú jiàn. yǒu fú yǒng ruò.  
VIEW. ABLUTION BUT NOT WORSHIP. HAVE TRUST NOBLE THUS.

**VIEWING. The ABLUTIONS have been made, BUT there is NO WORSHIP.  
MAINTAINING TRUST is a NOBLE thing.**

1. tóng guān. xiǎo rén wú jiù. jūn zǐ lìn.  
CHILD VIEW. SMALL PERSON NO HARM. NOBLE PERSON MISFORTUNE.

**VIEWING like a CHILD. NO HARM for the LOWLY. MISFORTUNE for  
the NOBLE PERSON.**

2. kuī guān. lì nǚ zhēn.  
PEER VIEW. FAVORABLE WOMAN OMEN.

**VIEWING by PEERING in. The OMEN of the WOMAN is FAVORABLE.**

3. guān wǒ shēng. jìn tuì.  
VIEW MY LIFE. ADVANCE RETREAT.

**VIEWING MY LIFE. ADVANCING and RETREATING.**

4. guān guó zhī guāng. lì yòng bīn yú wáng.  
VIEW NATION OF GLORY. FAVORABLE ACT GUEST AT KING.

**VIEWING the GLORY OF the NATION. It is FAVORABLE to BE the GUEST  
OF the KING.**

5. guān wǒ shēng. jūn zǐ wú jiù.  
VIEW MY LIFE. NOBLE PERSON NO HARM.

**VIEWING MY LIFE. The NOBLE PERSON will suffer NO HARM.**

TOP: guān qí shēng. jūn zǐ wú jiù.  
VIEW THEIR LIFE. NOBLE PERSON NO HARM.

**VIEWING THEIR LIVES. The NOBLE PERSON will suffer NO HARM.**

21.

Shì Hé

**BITING AND SNAPPING**

xxxxxxx      Fire  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx      Thunder  
xxx xxx  
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shì hé.      yuán xiǎng.      lì      yòng yù.  
BITE SNAP. MAJOR SACRIFICE. FAVORABLE USE LAW.  
**BITING and SNAPPING. Let a MAJOR SACRIFICE be conducted. It is FAVORABLE to INVOKE the LAW.**

1. jù      jiào miè      zhǐ.      wú jiù.  
SANDAL STOCK DESTROY FOOT. NO HARM.  
**SANDALS in the STOCKS, DESTRUCTION of the FEET. NO HARM.**

2. shì fū      miè      bí.      wú jiù.  
BITE FLESH DESTROY NOSE. NO HARM.  
**BITING through FLESH, DESTRUCTION of the NOSE. NO HARM.**

3. shì xī      ròu: yù      dú.  
BITE CURE MEAT: MEET POISON.  
**You BITE into CURED MEAT: you FIND POISON.**

xiǎo lìn.      wú jiù.  
SMALL MISFORTUNE. NO HARM.  
**A MINOR MISFORTUNE. NO HARM.**

4. shì gān zǐ:      dé jīn shǐ.  
BITE DRY BONE: GAIN GOLD ARROW.  
**You BITE into DRY BONES: you FIND a GOLDEN ARROW.**

lì      jiān      zhēn.      jí.  
FAVORABLE DIFFICULT OMEN. AUSPICIOUS.  
**The OMEN of DIFFICULTY is FAVORABLE. AUSPICIOUS.**

5. shì gān ròu:      dé huáng jīn.  
BITE DRY MEAT: GAIN YELLOW GOLD.  
**You BITE into DRIED MEAT: you FIND YELLOW GOLD.**

zhēn lì.      wú jiù.  
OMEN DANGER. NO HARM.  
**An OMEN of DANGER. NO HARM.**

TOP: hé jiào? miè ěr. xiōng.  
WHY STOCK? DESTROY EAR. INAUSPICIOUS.  
**WHY must the STOCKS be used? DESTRUCTION of the EARS. INAUSPICIOUS.**

22.

Bì

**ADORNMENT**

xxxxxxx Mountain  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx Fire  
xxx xxx  
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bì. xiǎng. xiǎo lì yǒu yōu wǎng.  
ADORN. SACRIFICE. SMALL FAVORABLE HAVE PURPOSE GO.

**ADORNMENT. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted. In SMALL matters, it is FAVORABLE to PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE.**

1. bì qí zhǐ. shě chē ér tú.

ADORN THE FOOT. ABANDON CART AND WALK.

**THE FEET are ADORNED. ABANDON the CART AND WALK.**

2. bì qí xū.

ADORN THE BEARD.

**THE BEARD is ADORNED.**

3. bì rú rú rú. yǒng zhēn jí.

ADORN THUS MOIST THUS. ETERNAL OMEN AUSPICIOUS.

**ADORNED and ANOINTED. The OMEN of ETERNITY is AUSPICIOUS.**

4. bì rú pó rú: bái mǎ hàn rú.

ADORN THUS WHITE THUS: WHITE HORSE SOAR THUS.

**ADORNED and WHITE: the WHITE HORSE is SOARING.**

fěi kòu hūn gòu.

ROBBER BANDIT MARRIAGE MATCH.

**ROBBERS and BANDITS seeking MARRIAGE.**

5. bì yú qiū yuán. shù bó jiān jiān.

ADORN IN HILL GARDEN. BUNDLE SILK THIN THIN

**ADORNED AMIDST HILLS and GARDENS. The BUNDLE of SILK is VERY THIN.**

lìn, zhōng jí.

MISFORTUNE, END AUSPICIOUS.

**MISFORTUNE, but the END will be AUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: bái bì. wú jiù.

WHITE ADORN. NO HARM.

**ADORNED in WHITE. NO HARM.**

23.

Bō

**SPLITTING**

xxxxxxx Mountain  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx Earth  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx

bō. bú lì yǒu yōu wǎng.

SPLIT. NOT FAVORABLE HAVE PURPOSE GO.

**SPLITTING. It is NOT FAVORABLE to PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE.**

1. bō chuáng yǐ zú. miè zhēn xiōng.

SPLIT BED TAKE FOOT. DISDAIN OMEN INAUSPICIOUS.

**You SPLIT the BED and INJURE your FOOT. To DISREGARD the OMEN is INAUSPICIOUS.**

2. bō chuáng yǐ biàn. miè zhēn xiōng.

SPLIT BED TAKE DEMARCAT. DISDAIN OMEN INAUSPICIOUS.

**You SPLIT the BED to SHOW the DEMARCATION. To DISREGARD the OMEN is INAUSPICIOUS.**

3. bō zhī. wú jiù.

SPLIT IT. NO HARM.

**You SPLIT the BED. NO HARM.**

4. bō chuáng yǐ fū. xiōng.

SPLIT BED TAKE SKIN. INAUSPICIOUS.

**You SPLIT the BED and INJURE your SKIN. INAUSPICIOUS.**

5. guàn yú yǐ gōng rén: chǒng. wú bú lì.

STRING FISH TAKE PALACE PERSON: FAVOR. NOTHING NOT FAVORABLE.

**TAKE a STRING of FISH to the OCCUPANT of the PALACE: you will find FAVOR. There is NOTHING that will NOT end FAVORABLY.**

TOP: shuò guǒ bù shí.

RICH FRUIT NOT EAT.

**Do NOT EAT RICH FRUITS.**

jūn zǐ dé yú, xiǎo rén bō lú.

NOBLE PERSON GAIN CART, SMALL PERSON SPLIT HUT.

**The NOBLE PERSON GAINS a CART, but the HUTS of the LOWLY are DESTROYED.**

24.

Fù

**RETURNING**

xxx xxx Earth  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx Thunder  
xxx xxx  
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fù. xiǎng. chū rù wú jí. péng lái. wú jiù.  
RETURN. SACRIFICE. EXIT ENTER NO AFFLICTION. FRIEND COME. NO HARM.  
**RETURNING. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted. GOING and COMING, there will be NO AFFLICTION. FRIENDS ARRIVE. NO HARM.**

fǎn fù qí dào. qī rì lái fù.  
REVERSE RETURN THE ROAD. SEVEN DAY COME RETURN.  
**REVERSING and RETURNING on THE ROAD. You RETURN after SEVEN DAYS.**

lì yǒu yǒu wǎng.  
FAVORABLE HAVE PURPOSE GO.  
**It is FAVORABLE to PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE.**

1. bù yuǎn fù. wú qí huǐ. yuán jí.  
NOT FAR RETURN. NO GREAT REGRET. MAJOR AUSPICIOUS.  
**You RETURN from NEARBY. NO GREAT REGRETS. a MAJOR AUSPICIOUS omen.**

2. xiū fù. jí.  
REST RETURN. AUSPICIOUS.  
**You RETURN RESTED. AUSPICIOUS.**

3. pín fù. lì, wú jiù.  
URGENT RETURN. DANGER, NO HARM.  
**You RETURN with URGENCY. There is DANGER, but NO HARM.**

4. zhōng xíng dú fù.  
MIDDLE GO ALONE RETURN.  
**You RETURN ALONE in MID COURSE.**

5. dūn fù. wú huǐ.  
SINCERE RETURN. NO REGRET.  
**You RETURN with SINCERITY. NO REGRETS.**

TOP: mí fù. xiōng. yǒu zāi shēng.  
LOST RETURN. INAUSPICIOUS. HAVE CALAMITY ERROR.  
**You RETURN after being LOST. INAUSPICIOUS. CALAMITY and ERROR.**



yòng xíng shī, zhōng yǒu dà bài.  
ACT ENGAGE ARMY, END HAVE GREAT DEFEAT.  
**ENGAGING the ARMY will END in a GREAT DEFEAT.**

yǐ qí guó jūn xiōng.  
TAKE THE NATION PRINCE INAUSPICIOUS.  
**INAUSPICIOUS FOR THE RULER of the NATION.**

zhì yú shí nián bú kè zhēng.  
UNTIL AT TEN YEAR NOT CAN ADVANCE.  
**FOR TEN YEARS the army MUST NOT ADVANCE.**

25.

Wú Wàng  
**THE UNEXPECTED**

xxxxxxx Heaven  
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xxx xxx Thunder  
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wú wàng. yuán xiǎng. lì zhēn.  
NOT EXPECT. MAJOR SACRIFICE. FAVORABLE OMEN.  
**The UNEXPECTED. Let a MAJOR SACRIFICE be conducted. A FAVORABLE OMEN.**

qí fěi zhèng yǒu shěng. bú lì yǒu yōu wǎng.  
YOU NOT HONEST HAVE ERROR. NOT FAVORABLE HAVE PURPOSE GO.  
**In acting WITHOUT HONESTY, YOU will BE in ERROR. It is NOT FAVORABLE to PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE.**

1. wú wàng wǎng. jí.  
NOT EXPECT GO. AUSPICIOUS.  
**You GO forth UNEXPECTEDLY. AUSPICIOUS.**

2. bù gēng huò, bù zī yú,  
NOT PLOW HARVEST, NOT CLEAR-LAND PLANT,  
**If you can HARVEST WITHOUT PLOWING, if you can PLANT WITHOUT CLEARING the LAND,**

zé lì yǒu yōu wǎng.  
THEN FAVORABLE HAVE PURPOSE GO.  
**THEN it will be FAVORABLE to PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE.**

3. wú wàng zhī zāi. huò xī zhī niú.  
NOT EXPECT [PART] CALAMITY. PERHAPS TIE [PART] OX.  
**An UNEXPECTED CALAMITY. PERHAPS a TETHERED OX.**

xíng rén zhī dé, yì rén zhī zāi.  
GO PERSON OF GAIN, CITY PERSON OF CALAMITY.  
**GAIN FOR the TRAVELER, CALAMITY FOR the TOWNSPEOPLE.**

4. kě zhēn. wú jiù.  
CAN DIVINE. NO HARM.  
**You CAN engage in DIVINATION. NO HARM.**

5. wú wàng zhī jí. wù yào yǒu xǐ.  
NOT EXPECT [PART] AFFLICTION. NOT MEDICINE HAVE HAPPY.  
**An UNEXPECTED AFFLICTION. WITHOUT MEDICINE all will end  
HAPPILY.**

TOP: wú wàng xíng. yǒu shěng. wú yōu lì.  
NOT EXPECT GO. HAVE ERROR. NO PURPOSE FAVORABLE.  
**An UNEXPECTED VOYAGE. An ERROR. There is NO ENDEAVOR that will end  
FAVORABLY.**

26.

Dà Chù

**GREAT CATTLE**

xxxxxxx Mountain  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx Heaven  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx

dà chù. lì zhēn. bù jiā shí jí.

GREAT CATTLE. FAVORABLE OMEN. NOT HOME DINE AUSPICIOUS.

**A GREAT offering of CATTLE. A FAVORABLE OMEN. AUSPICIOUS to DINE AWAY from HOME.**

lì shè dà chuān.

FAVORABLE FORD GREAT RIVER.

**It is FAVORABLE to FORD the GREAT RIVER.**

1. yǒu lì. lì yǐ.

HAVE DANGER. FAVORABLE DESIST.

**DANGER. It is FAVORABLE to DESIST.**

2. yú tuō fú.

CART CAST SPOKE.

**The CART CASTS off SPOKES.**

3. liáng mǎ zhú. lì jiǎn zhēn.

FINE HORSE CHASE. FAVORABLE DIFFICULT OMEN.

**You give CHASE on a FINE HORSE. The OMEN of DIFFICULTY is FAVORABLE.**

rì xián yú wèi. lì yǒu yōu wǎng.

DAY IDLE CART GUARD. FAVORABLE HAVE PURPOSE GO.

**CARTS and GUARDS stand IDLE for a DAY. It is FAVORABLE to PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE.**

4. tóng niú zhī gù. yuán jí.

CHILD OX OF STALL. MAJOR AUSPICIOUS.

**The STALL OF a CALF. A MAJOR AUSPICIOUS omen.**

5. fén shǐ zhī yá. jí.

GELD BOAR OF TUSK. AUSPICIOUS.

**The TUSK OF a GELDED BOAR. AUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: hé tiān zhī qú? xiǎng.

HOW HEAVEN OF WAY? SACRIFICE.

**HOW can one gain the WAY OF HEAVEN? Let a SACRIFICE be conducted.**

27.

Yí

**CHEEKS**

xxxxxxx Mountain  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx Thunder  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx

yí. zhēn jí. guān yí. zì qiú kǒu shí.  
CHEEK. OMEN AUSPICIOUS. VIEW CHEEK. SELF SEEK MOUTH SUBSTANCE.  
**CHEEKS. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS. VIEW the CHEEKS. SEEK SUSTENANCE for YOURSELF.**

1. shě ěr líng guī. guān wǒ duǒ yí. xiōng.  
ABANDON YOUR SPIRIT TORTOISE. VIEW MY BUNCH CHEEK. INAUSPICIOUS.  
**ABANDON YOUR TORTOISE shell DIVINATION. VIEW MY SWOLLEN CHEEKS. INAUSPICIOUS.**

2. diān yí. fú jìng yú qiū yí. zhēng xiōng.  
TOPPLE CHEEK. REJECT PATH AT HILL CHEEK. ADVANCE INAUSPICIOUS.  
**SUNKEN CHEEKS. REJECT the PATH AT the ROUNDED HILL. INAUSPICIOUS for the army to ADVANCE.**

3. fú yí. zhēn xiōng.  
REJECT CHEEK. OMEN INAUSPICIOUS.  
**REJECT the CHEEKS. The OMEN is INAUSPICIOUS.**

shí nián wù yòng. wú yōu lì.  
TEN YEAR NOT ACT. NO PURPOSE FAVORABLE.  
**Do NOT ACT for TEN YEARS. There is NO ENDEAVOR that will end FAVORABLY.**

4. diān yí. jí.  
TOPPLE CHEEK. AUSPICIOUS.  
**SUNKEN CHEEKS. AUSPICIOUS.**

hǔ shì dān dān. qí yù zhú zhú. wú jiù.  
TIGER WATCH STARE STARE. IT DESIRE CHASE CHASE. NO HARM.  
**The TIGER WATCHES, STARING, STARING. IT LONGS to run in SWIFT PURSUIT. NO HARM.**

5. fú jìng. jū zhēn jí.  
REJECT PATH. DWELL OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**REJECT the PATH. An AUSPICIOUS OMEN for REMAINING AT HOME.**

bù kě shè dà chuān.  
NOT CAN FORD GREAT RIVER.  
**Do NOT FORD the GREAT RIVER.**

TOP: yóu yí: lì jí.  
BECAUSE-OF CHEEK: DANGER AUSPICIOUS.  
**BECAUSE OF the CHEEKS: even in DANGER, the omen is AUSPICIOUS.**

lì shè dà chuān.  
FAVORABLE FORD GREAT RIVER.  
**It is FAVORABLE to FORD the GREAT RIVER.**

28.

Dà Guò

**GREAT EXCESS**

xxx xxx Lake  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx Wind  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx

dà guò. dòng náo. lì yǒu yōu wǎng. xiǎng.  
GREAT EXCESS. RIDGEPOLE TWIST. FAVORABLE HAVE PURPOSE GO. SACRIFICE.  
**GREAT EXCESS. The RIDGEPOLE is TWISTED. It is FAVORABLE to PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted.**

1. jiè yòng bái máo. wú jiù.  
WRAP USE WHITE REED. NO HARM.  
**USE WHITE REEDS to WRAP the offering. NO HARM.**

2. kū yáng shēng tí.  
WITHER WILLOW BEAR SHOOT.  
**The WITHERED WILLOW BRINGS forth SHOOTS.**

lǎo fū dé qí nǚ qī.  
OLD MAN GAIN HIS WOMAN WIFE.  
**The OLD MAN GAINS A WIFE.**

wú bú lì.  
NOTHING NOT FAVORABLE.  
**There is NOTHING that will NOT end FAVORABLY.**

3. dòng náo. xiōng.  
RIDGEPOLE TWIST. INAUSPICIOUS.  
**The RIDGEPOLE is TWISTED. INAUSPICIOUS.**

4. dòng lóng. jí. yǒu tā lìn.  
RIDGEPOLE STURDY. AUSPICIOUS. HAVE OTHER MISFORTUNE.  
**The RIDGEPOLE is STURDY. AUSPICIOUS. If you UNDERTAKE EXTRANEOUS affairs, there will be MISFORTUNE.**

5. kū yáng shēng huá.  
WITHER WILLOW BEAR BLOSSOM.  
**The WITHERED WILLOW BRINGS forth BLOSSOMS.**

lǎo fù dé qí shì fū.  
OLD WOMAN GAIN HER BACHELOR HUSBAND.  
**The OLD WOMAN GAINS A HUSBAND.**

wú jiù wú yù.  
NO HARM NO PRAISE.  
**NEITHER HARM NOR PRAISE.**

TOP: guò shè miè dǐng. xiōng. wú jiù.  
PASS FORD SUBMERGE TOP. INAUSPICIOUS. NO HARM.  
**While FORDING the RIVER, your HEAD is SUBMERGED. INAUSPICIOUS.**  
**NO HARM.**



29.

Kǎn

**WATERY PITS**

xxx xxx Water  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx Water  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx

xí kǎn. yǒu fú wéi xīn. xiǎng.  
REPEAT WATERY-PIT. HAVE TRUST SAFEGUARD HEART. SACRIFICE.  
**CONTINUOUS WATERY PITS. There IS TRUST SAFEGUARDING the HEART. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted.**

xíng yǒu shàng.  
GO HAVE VALUE.  
**GOING forth IS BENEFICIAL.**

1. xí kǎn. rù yú kǎn dàn. xiōng.  
REPEAT WATERY-PIT. ENTER INTO WATERY-PIT PIT. INAUSPICIOUS.  
**CONTINUOUS WATERY PITS. You ENTER INTO the WATERY PIT. INAUSPICIOUS.**
2. kǎn yǒu xiǎn. qiú xiǎo dé.  
WATERY-PIT HAVE DANGER. SEEK SMALL GAIN.  
**The WATERY PIT HOLDS DANGER. SEEK SMALL GAINS.**
3. lái zhī kǎn kǎn. xiǎn qiě zhěn.  
COME GO WATERY-PIT WATERY-PIT. DANGER EVEN RECLINE.  
**COMING and GOING: WATERY PITS, WATERY PITS. DANGER EVEN in RESTING.**
- rù yú kǎn dàn. wù yòng.  
ENTER INTO WATER-PIT PIT. NOT ACT.  
**You ENTER INTO the WATERY PIT. Do NOT ACT.**
4. zūn jiǔ guǐ, èr yòng fǒu.  
GLASS WINE PLATTER, TWO USE EARTHENWARE.  
**A GLASS of WINE and a PLATTER, BOTH OF EARTHENWARE.**
- nà yuē zì yǒu. zhōng wú jiù.  
RECEIVE FRUGAL FROM WINDOW. END NO HARM.  
**RECEIVE these SIMPLE objects THROUGH the WINDOW. In the END there will be NO HARM.**

5. kǎn           bù yíng, zhī jì           píng. wú jiù.  
WATERY-PIT NOT FULL, ONLY ALREADY SMOOTH. NO HARM.  
**The WATERY PIT is NOT FULL, BUT the surface is ALREADY SMOOTH. NO HARM.**

TOP: xī yòng huī mò, zhì yú cóng jí.  
TIE ACT BIND ROPE, PLACE IN THICKET THORN.  
**TIED and BOUND with ROPES, PLACED IN a THICKET of THORNS.**

sān suì bù dé. xiōng.  
THREE YEAR NOT GAIN. INAUSPICIOUS.  
**For THREE YEARS there will be NO GAINS. INAUSPICIOUS.**

30.

Lí

**FIRE**

xxxxxxx      Fire  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx      Fire  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx

lí.    lì            zhēn.    xiǎng.      xù      pìn      niú    jí.  
FIRE. FAVORABLE OMEN. SACRIFICE. RAISE FEMALE OX AUSPICIOUS.  
**FIRE. a FAVORABLE OMEN. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted. AUSPICIOUS to RAISE a COW.**

1. lǚ      cuò            rán.    jìng      zhī.      wú    jiù.  
TREAD ALTERNATE THUS. RESPECT [PART]. NO HARM.  
**You TREAD onward, ALTERNATING the feet. Show RESPECT. NO HARM.**

2. huáng lí.    yuán    jí.  
YELLOW FIRE. MAJOR AUSPICIOUS.  
**YELLOW FIRE. a MAJOR AUSPICIOUS omen.**

3. rì    zè    zhī    lí.  
SUN SET OF FIRE.  
**The FIRE OF the SETTING SUN.**

bù    gǔ    fǒu              ér    gē,      zé    dà      dié    zhī    jiē.  
NOT DRUM EARTHENWARE AND SING, THEN GREAT AGE OF LAMENT.  
**When one NO longer DRUMS on EARTHEN JARS AND SINGS, THEN there is only the LAMENT OF OLD AGE.**

xiōng.  
INAUSPICIOUS.  
**INAUSPICIOUS.**

4. tū    rú,      qí    lái    rú.      fén    rú,      sǐ    rú,      qì      rú.  
DASH THUS, ONE COME THUS. BURN THUS, DIE THUS, ABANDON THUS.  
**DASHING forth, COMING forth. BURNING, DYING, and being ABANDONED.**

5. chū    tì    tuó      ruò,      qī      jiē      ruò.      jí.  
EXIT TEAR TORRENT THUS, MOURNFUL LAMENT THUS. AUSPICIOUS.  
**TEARS FLOW in TORRENTS, a MOURNFUL LAMENT. AUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: wáng    yòng    chū    zhēng.    yǒu    jiā    zhé    shǒu,  
KING ACT EXIT ADVANCE. HAVE GOOD SEVER HEAD,  
**The KING SETS OUT and ADVANCES. There IS a GOOD EXECUTIONER,**

huò fěi qí chǒu. wú jiù.  
CAPTURE NOT THE ENEMY. NO HARM.  
**but it is NOT THE ENEMY that is CAPTURED. NO HARM.**

31.

Xián  
**UNITY**

xxx xxx      Lake  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx      Mountain  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx

xián. xiǎng.      lì              zhēn. qǔ      nǚ      jí.  
UNITY. SACRIFICE. FAVORABLE OMEN. TAKE WOMAN AUSPICIOUS.  
**UNITY. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted. A FAVORABLE OMEN. AUSPICIOUS to CHOOSE a WIFE.**

1. xián qí mǔ.  
UNITY THE THUMBS.  
**UNITY is expressed in THE THUMBS.**

2. xián qí féi. xiōng.  
UNITY THE CALF. INAUSPICIOUS.  
**UNITY is expressed in THE CALVES. INAUSPICIOUS.**

jū      jí.  
DWELL AUSPICIOUS.  
**AUSPICIOUS to REMAIN AT HOME.**

3. xián qí gǔ:      zhí      qí      suí.      wǎng      lìn.  
UNITY THE THIGH: PERSIST THEIR FOLLOW. GO MISFORTUNE.  
**UNITY is expressed in THE THIGHS: they PERSIST in THEIR FOLLOWING. GOING forth will bring MISFORTUNE.**

4. zhēn jí.              huǐ      wáng.  
OMEN AUSPICIOUS. REGRET DISAPPEAR.  
**The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS. REGRETS will DISAPPEAR.**

chōng      chōng      wǎng      lái.      péng      cóng      ěr      sī.  
UNCERTAIN UNCERTAIN GO COME. FRIEND UNDERTAKE YOU THINK.  
**UNCERTAIN and WORRIED, you pace BACK and FORTH. FRIENDS BEGIN to THINK of YOU.**

5. xián qí méi.      wú      huǐ.  
UNITY THE NECK. NO REGRET.  
**UNITY is expressed in THE NECK. NO REGRETS.**

TOP: xián qí fú, jiá, shé.

UNITY THE JAW, CHEEK, TONGUE.

**UNITY is expressed in THE JAW, CHEEKS, and TONGUE.**

32.

Héng

**CONSTANCY**

xxx xxx Thunder  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx Wind  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx

héng. xiǎng. wú jiù. lì zhēn.  
CONSTANT. SACRIFICE. NO HARM. FAVORABLE OMEN.  
**CONSTANCY. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted. NO HARM. a FAVORABLE OMEN.**

lì yǒu yōu wǎng.  
FAVORABLE HAVE PURPOSE GO.  
**It is FAVORABLE to PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE.**

1. jùn héng. zhēn xiōng. wú yōu lì.  
SUBMERGE CONSTANT. OMEN INAUSPICIOUS. NO PURPOSE FAVORABLE.  
**LASTING SUBMERSION. The OMEN is INAUSPICIOUS. There is NO ENDEAVOR that will end FAVORABLY.**

2. huǐ wáng.  
REGRET DISAPPEAR.  
**REGRETS will DISAPPEAR.**

3. bù héng qí dé. huò chéng zhī xiū.  
NOT CONSTANT YOUR VIRTUE. PERHAPS CARRY [PART] SHAME.  
**YOUR VIRTUE is INCONSTANT. PERHAPS you will BEAR the SHAME.**

zhēn lìn.  
OMEN MISFORTUNE.  
**An OMEN of MISFORTUNE.**

4. tián wú qín.  
FIELD NO FOWL.  
**NO FOWL are in the FIELD.**

5. héng qí dé. zhēn fù rén jí,  
CONSTANT YOUR VIRTUE. OMEN WOMAN PERSON AUSPICIOUS,  
**YOUR VIRTUE is CONSTANT. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS for a WOMAN,**

fū zǐ xiōng.  
MAN PERSON INAUSPICIOUS.  
**INAUSPICIOUS for a MAN.**

TOP: zhèn      héng.      xiōng.  
AGITATE CONSTANT. INAUSPICIOUS.  
**AGITATING with CONSTANCY. INAUSPICIOUS.**



33.

Dùn

**RETREAT**

xxxxxxx Heaven  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx Mountain  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx

dùn. xiǎng. xiǎo lì zhēn.  
RETREAT. SACRIFICE. SMALL FAVORABLE OMEN.

**RETREAT. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted. a FAVORABLE OMEN for SMALL matters.**

1. dùn wěi. lì. wù yòng yǒu yōu wǎng.

RETREAT TAIL. DANGER. NOT ACT HAVE PURPOSE GO.

**A TAIL in RETREAT. DANGER. Do NOT ATTEMPT to PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE.**

2. zhí zhī yòng huáng niú zhī gé.

HOLD IT USE YELLOW OX [PART] HIDE.

**HOLD the beast WITH a rope of YELLOW OX HIDE.**

mò zhī shèng tuō.

NOT IT SUCCESS REMOVE.

**The beast will NOT MANAGE to BREAK FREE of IT.**

3. xì dùn. yǒu jí lì.

TIE RETREAT. HAVE ILLNESS DANGER.

**An IMPEDED RETREAT. a DANGER of ILLNESS.**

xù chén qiè jí.

RETAIN SERVANT CONCUBINE AUSPICIOUS.

**AUSPICIOUS to RETAIN SERVANTS and CONCUBINES.**

4. hǎo dùn. jūn zǐ jí. xiǎo rén pǐ.

GOOD RETREAT. NOBLE PERSON AUSPICIOUS. SMALL PERSON OBSTRUCT.

**A SUCCESSFUL RETREAT. AUSPICIOUS for the NOBLE PERSON. The LOWLY PERSON will be OBSTRUCTED.**

5. jiā dùn. zhēn jí.

EXCELLENT RETREAT. OMEN AUSPICIOUS.

**An EXCELLENT RETREAT. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: féi dùn. wú bú lì.

FERTILE RETREAT. NOTHING NOT FAVORABLE.

**A FERTILE RETREAT. There is NOTHING that will NOT end FAVORABLY.**

34.

Dà Zhuàng

**GREAT STRENGTH**

xxx xxx Thunder  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx Heaven  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx

dà zhuàng. lì zhēn.  
GREAT STRONG. FAVORABLE OMEN.  
**GREAT STRENGTH. A FAVORABLE OMEN.**

1. zhuàng yú zhǐ. zhēng xiōng. yǒu fú.  
STRONG IN FOOT. ADVANCE INAUSPICIOUS. HAVE TRUST.  
**STRENGTH IN the FEET. INAUSPICIOUS for the army to ADVANCE. There IS TRUST.**

2. zhēn jí.  
OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

3. xiǎo rén yòng zhuàng. jūn zǐ yòng wǎng.  
SMALL PERSON USE STRONG. NOBLE PERSON ACT DECEIVE.  
**The LOWLY PERSON USES FORCE. The NOBLE PERSON OUTWITS his opponents.**

zhēn lì. dī yáng chù fān, léi qí jiǎo.  
OMEN DANGER. RAM GOAT CONTACT FENCE, WEAK ITS HORN.  
**An OMEN of DANGER. The RAM BUTTS the FENCE, but ITS HORNS are WEAK.**

4. zhēn jí. huǐ wáng.  
OMEN AUSPICIOUS. REGRET DISAPPEAR.  
**The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS. REGRETS will DISAPPEAR.**

fān jué , bù léi. zhuàng yú dà yú zhī fù.  
FENCE BREAK, NOT WEAK. STRONG IN GREAT CART OF AXLE-STRAP.  
**The FENCE BREAKS through, its horns are NOT WEAK. STRENGTH is IN the AXLE STRAP OF the GREAT CART.**

5. sàng yáng yú yì. wú huǐ.  
LOSE GOAT IN EASE. NO REGRET.  
**You LOSE a GOAT IN a time of EASE. NO REGRETS.**

TOP: dī yáng chù fān. bù néng tuì, bù néng suì.  
RAM GOAT CONTACT FENCE. NOT CAN RETREAT, NOT CAN FULFILL.  
**The RAM BUTTS the FENCE. It CANNOT RETREAT, it CANNOT ADVANCE.**

wú yǒu lì. jiān zé jí.  
NO PURPOSE FAVORABLE. DIFFICULT BUT AUSPICIOUS.  
**There is NO ENDEAVOR that will end FAVORABLY. DIFFICULTIES lie ahead, BUT the omen is AUSPICIOUS.**

35.

Jìn

**ADVANCING**

xxxxxxx      Fire  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx      Earth  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx

jìn.      Kāng   Hóu      yòng   xī      mǎ   fán      shù.  
ADVANCE. KANG MARQUIS ACT      PRESENT HORSE ABUNDANT NUMEROUS.  
**ADVANCING. MARQUIS KANG PRESENTS the king with HORSES in ABUNDANCE.**

zhòu   rì   sān   jiē.  
DAY   DAY THREE MEET.  
**EACH DAY he is granted THREE AUDIENCES.**

1. jìn      rú      cuī      rú.      zhēn   jí.  
ADVANCE THUS DESTROY THUS. OMEN   AUSPICIOUS.  
**ADVANCE and DESTROY. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

wǎng   fú,      yù.      wú   jiù.  
DECEIVE TRUST, ABUNDANT. NO   HARM.  
**Though TRUST has been BETRAYED, there is ABUNDANCE. NO HARM.**

2. jìn      rú      chóu   rú.      zhēn   jí.  
ADVANCE THUS WORRY THUS. OMEN   AUSPICIOUS.  
**You ADVANCE, but you are WORRIED. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

shòu   zī   jiè      fú      yú   qí   wáng   mǔ.  
RECEIVE NOW ARMOR BLESSING AT THE KING   MOTHER.  
**NOW you RECEIVE ARMOR and BLESSINGS FROM the MOTHER of THE KING.**

3. zhòng      yǔn.      huǐ      wáng.  
MULTITUDE CONSENT. REGRET DISAPPEAR.  
**The MULTITUDE CONSENT. REGRETS will DISAPPEAR.**

4. jìn      rú      shí      shǔ.      zhēn   lì.  
ADVANCE LIKE FLYING-SQUIRREL RODENT. OMEN   DANGER.  
**You are ADVANCING LIKE a FLYING SQUIRREL. An OMEN of DANGER.**

5. huǐ      wáng.      shī   dé      wù   xù.  
REGRET DISAPPEAR. LOSE GAIN NOT CONCERN.  
**REGRETS will DISAPPEAR. Do NOT be CONCERNED with LOSSES and GAINS.**

wǎng jí. wú bú lì.  
GO AUSPICIOUS. NOTHING NOT FAVORABLE.  
**It is AUSPICIOUS to GO forth. There is NOTHING that will NOT end FAVORABLY.**

TOP: jìn qí jiǎo. wéi yòng fá yì.  
ADVANCE ITS HORN. HOLD ACT STRIKE CITY.  
**The ram ADVANCES with ITS HORNS. HOLD firm in STRIKING the CITY.**

lì jí. wú jiù, zhēn lìn.  
DANGER AUSPICIOUS. NO HARM, OMEN MISFORTUNE.  
**Even in DANGER, the omen is AUSPICIOUS. NO HARM, but an OMEN of MISFORTUNE.**

36.

Míng Yí  
**THE BRIGHT PHEASANT**

xxx xxx Earth  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx Fire  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx

míng yí. lì jiān zhēn.  
BRIGHT PHEASANT. FAVORABLE DIFFICULT OMEN.  
**The BRIGHT PHEASANT. The OMEN of DIFFICULTY is FAVORABLE.**

1. míng yí yú fēi, chuī qí yì.  
BRIGHT PHEASANT AT FLY, DROOP ITS WING.  
**The BRIGHT PHEASANT FLIES, DROOPING ITS WINGS.**

jūn zǐ yú xíng, sān rì bù shí.  
NOBLE PERSON AT GO, THREE DAY NOT EAT.  
**The NOBLE PERSON TRAVELS, FASTING for THREE DAYS.**

yǒu yōu wǎng. zhǔ rén yǒu yán.  
HAVE PURPOSE GO. MASTER PERSON HAVE SPEECH.  
**PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE. The MASTER will SPEAK.**

2. míng yí. yí yú zuǒ gǔ,  
BRIGHT PHEASANT. INJURE IN LEFT THIGH,  
**The BRIGHT PHEASANT. You suffer an INJURY IN the LEFT THIGH,**

yòng zhěng. mǎ zhuàng. jí.  
ACT RESCUE. HORSE STRONG. AUSPICIOUS.  
**but are RESCUED. The HORSE is STRONG. AUSPICIOUS.**

3. míng yí yú fēi. nán shòu, dé qí dà shǒu.  
BRIGHT PHEASANT AT FLY. SOUTH HUNT, GAIN ITS GREAT HEAD.  
**The BRIGHT PHEASANT FLIES. You go HUNTING in the SOUTH and CLAIM  
the GREAT HEAD of the beast.**

bù kě jí zhēn.  
NOT CAN HASTEN OMEN.  
**The OMEN reveals that you MUST NOT HASTEN.**

4. rù yú zuǒ fù:  
ENTER ON LEFT ABDOMEN:  
**The arrow ENTERS ON the LEFT side of the BODY:**

huò míng yí zhī xīn yú chū mén tíng.  
GAIN BRIGHT PHEASANT OF HEART AT EXIT GATE COURTYARD.

**You PIERCE the HEART OF the BRIGHT PHEASANT AS you DEPART through  
the GATED COURTYARD.**

5. Jī zǐ zhī míng yí. lì zhēn.  
JI PRINCE OF BRIGHT PHEASANT. FAVORABLE OMEN.

**The BRIGHT PHEASANT OF PRINCE JI. A FAVORABLE OMEN.**

TOP: bù míng. huì.  
NOT BRIGHT. DARK.

**NO LIGHT. DARKNESS.**

chū dēng yú tiān, hòu rù yú dì.  
FIRST ASCEND TO SKY, THEN ENTER TO EARTH.

**FIRST the bright pheasant ASCENDS TO the SKY, THEN it PLUMMETS  
TOWARD the EARTH.**

37.

Jiā Rén  
**THE FAMILY**

xxxxxxx Wind  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx Fire  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx

jiā rén. lì nǚ zhēn.  
HOUSEHOLD PERSON. FAVORABLE WOMAN OMEN.  
**The FAMILY. The OMEN of the WOMAN is FAVORABLE.**

1. xián yǒu jiā. huǐ wáng.  
ENCLOSE HAVE HOUSEHOLD. REGRET DISAPPEAR.  
**The HOUSEHOLD IS PROTECTED. REGRETS will DISAPPEAR.**

2. wú yōu suì, zài zhōng kuì. zhēn jí.  
NO PURPOSE FULFILL, IN CENTER PRESENT-FOOD. OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**NO PURPOSE is FULFILLED, but IN the CENTER FOOD is PRESENTED. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

3. jiā rén hè hè. huǐ lì. jí.  
HOUSEHOLD PERSON SCOLD SCOLD. REGRET SEVERE. AUSPICIOUS.  
**DISSENSION in the FAMILY. Then all REGRET the DISCORD. AUSPICIOUS.**

fù zǐ xī xī. zhōng lìn.  
WOMAN CHILD LAUGH LAUGH. END MISFORTUNE.  
**WOMEN and CHILDREN LAUGHING, LAUGHING. In the END there will be MISFORTUNE.**

4. fù jiā. dà jí.  
WEALTHY HOUSEHOLD. GREAT AUSPICIOUS.  
**A WEALTHY HOUSEHOLD. A GREAT AUSPICIOUS omen.**

5. wáng gé yǒu jiā. wù xù. jí.  
KING ARRIVE HAVE HOUSEHOLD. NOT CONCERN. AUSPICIOUS.  
**When the KING ARRIVES, the HOUSEHOLD has been ESTABLISHED. Do NOT be CONCERNED. AUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: yǒu fú wēi rú. zhōng jí.  
HAVE TRUST STRONG THUS. END AUSPICIOUS.  
**Their TRUST IS STRONG. The END will be AUSPICIOUS.**



38.

Kuí

**DISUNITY**

xxxxxxx      Fire  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx      Lake  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx

kuí.      xiǎo shì      jí.  
DISUNITY. SMALL AFFAIR AUSPICIOUS.  
**DISUNITY. AUSPICIOUS for SMALL AFFAIRS.**

1. huǐ      wáng.      sàng      mǎ      wù      zhú.      zì      fù.  
REGRET DISAPPEAR. LOSE HORSE NOT PURSUE. SELF RETURN.  
**REGRETS will DISAPPEAR. Do NOT PURSUE a LOST HORSE. It will RETURN ON ITS OWN.**

jiàn      è      rén.      wú      jiù.  
SEE EVIL PERSON. NO HARM.  
**You SEE an ENEMY. NO HARM.**

2. yù      zhǔ      yú      xiàng.      wú      jiù.  
MEET MASTER IN LANE. NO HARM.  
**You MEET the MASTER IN the LANE. NO HARM.**

3. jiàn      yú      yè,      qí      niú      chè.  
SEE CART PULL, [PART] OX DRAW.  
**You SEE a CART PULLED along, DRAWN by an OX.**

qí      rén      tiān      qiě      yì.  
[PART] PERSON HEAD AND SEVER-NOSE.  
**a PERSON'S HEAD, the NOSE is SEVERED.**

wú      chū      yǒu      zhōng.  
NOT FIRST HAVE END.  
**Affairs which did NOT at FIRST succeed END well.**

4. kuí      gū.      yù      yuán      fū.      jiāo      fú.  
DISUNITY ALONE. MEET FUNDAMENTAL MAN. MUTUAL TRUST.  
**DISUNITED and ALONE. You MEET a MAN with whom there is FUNDAMENTAL accord. MUTUAL TRUST.**

lì,      wú      jiù.  
DANGER, NO HARM.  
**There is DANGER, but NO HARM.**

5. huǐ wáng. jué zōng shì fū. wǎng hé jiù?  
REGRET DISAPPEAR. THEIR CLAN BITE FLESH. GO HOW HARM?  
**REGRETS will DISAPPEAR. THEIR CLAN FEAST on MEAT. HOW could  
there be HARM in GOING forth?**

TOP: kuí gū. jiàn shǐ fù tú, zài guǐ yì chē.  
DISUNITY ALONE. SEE PIG CARRY MUD, BEAR DEMON ONE CART.  
**DISUNITED and ALONE. You SEE a PIG COVERED with MUD and A CART  
BEARING DEMONS.**

xiān zhāng zhī hú, hòu tuō zhī hú.  
FIRST DRAW [PART] BOW, THEN WITHDRAW [PART] BOW.  
**FIRST a BOW that is DRAWN, THEN a BOW that is WITHDRAWN.**

fěi kòu hūn gòu.  
ROBBER BANDIT MARRIAGE MATCH.  
**ROBBERS and BANDITS seeking MARRIAGE.**

wǎng yù yǔ zé jí.  
GO MEET RAIN BUT AUSPICIOUS.  
**In GOING forth you MEET with RAIN, BUT the omen is AUSPICIOUS.**

39.

Jiǎn

**IMPEDIMENTS**

xxx xxx Water  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx Mountain  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx

jiǎn. lì xī nán, bú lì dōng běi.  
IMPEDIMENT. FAVORABLE WEST SOUTH, NOT FAVORABLE EAST NORTH.  
**IMPEDIMENTS. FAVORABLE in the SOUTHWEST, UNFAVORABLE in the NORTHEAST.**

lì jiàn dà rén. zhēn jí.  
FAVORABLE SEE GREAT PERSON. OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**It is FAVORABLE to SEE the GREAT PERSON. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

1. wǎng jiǎn, lái yù.  
GO IMPEDIMENT, COME PRAISE.  
**In GOING there are IMPEDIMENTS, in COMING there is PRAISE.**

2. wáng chén jiǎn jiǎn, fěi gōng zhī gù.  
KING MINISTER IMPEDIMENT IMPEDIMENT, NOT SELF [PART] REASON.  
**IMPEDIMENTS abound for the KING and his MINISTERS, but NOT of THEIR own CREATION.**

3. wǎng jiǎn, lái fǎn.  
GO IMPEDIMENT, COME OPPOSITION.  
**In GOING there are IMPEDIMENTS, in COMING there is OPPOSITION.**

4. wǎng jiǎn, lái lián.  
GO IMPEDIMENT, COME CONNECT.  
**In GOING there are IMPEDIMENTS, in COMING there are CONNECTIONS.**

5. dà jiǎn péng lái.  
GREAT IMPEDIMENT FRIEND COME.  
**Amidst GREAT IMPEDIMENTS a FRIEND ARRIVES.**

TOP: wǎng jiǎn, lái shuò. jí.  
GO IMPEDIMENT, COME GREAT. AUSPICIOUS.  
**In GOING there are IMPEDIMENTS, in COMING there is GREATNESS. AUSPICIOUS.**

lì jiàn dà rén.  
FAVORABLE SEE GREAT PERSON.  
**It is FAVORABLE to SEE the GREAT PERSON.**

40.

Jiě

**RELEASE**

xxx xxx Thunder

xxx xxx

xxxxxxx

xxx xxx Water

xxxxxxx

xxx xxx

jiě. lì xī nán.

RELEASE. FAVORABLE WEST SOUTH.

**RELEASE. FAVORABLE in the SOUTHWEST.**

wú suǒ wǎng. qí lái fù jí.

NO WHERE GO. [PART] COME RETURN AUSPICIOUS.

**NOWHERE to GO. AUSPICIOUS to RETURN.**

yǒu yōu wǎng, sù jí.

HAVE PURPOSE GO, EARLY AUSPICIOUS.

**In PROCEEDING WITH a PURPOSE, it is AUSPICIOUS to be EARLY.**

1. wú jiù.

NO HARM.

**NO HARM.**

2. tián huò sān hú. dé huáng shǐ. zhēn jí.

FIELD GET THREE FOX. GAIN YELLOW ARROW. OMEN AUSPICIOUS.

**You BAG THREE FOXES in the FIELD. You GAIN a YELLOW ARROW.**

**The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

3. fù qiě chéng zhì kòu zhì. zhēn lìn.

BEAR-ON-BACK OR RIDE CAUSE BANDIT ARRIVE. OMEN MISFORTUNE.

**BEARING the load ON the BACK OR USING a CART CAUSES BANDITS to COME.**

**An OMEN of MISFORTUNE.**

4. jiě ér mǔ. péng zhì sī fú.

RELEASE YOUR THUMB. FRIEND ARRIVE THEN TRUST.

**RELEASE YOUR THUMB. When FRIENDS ARRIVE there will be TRUST.**

5. jūn zǐ wéi yǒu jiě. jí.

NOBLE PERSON HOLD HAVE RELEASE. AUSPICIOUS.

**The NOBLE PERSON CONTROLS the RELEASE. AUSPICIOUS.**

yǒu fú yú xiǎo rén.  
HAVE TRUST AT SMALL PERSON.  
**There is TRUST AMONG the LOWLY.**

TOP: gōng yòng shè sǔn yú gāo yōng zhī shàng. huò zhī.  
DUKE ACT SHOOT FALCON ON HIGH WALL OF TOP. GET IT.  
**The DUKE AIMS at a FALCON ATOP the HIGH WALL. He STRIKES IT.**

wú bú lì.  
NOTHING NOT FAVORABLE.  
**There is NOTHING that will NOT end FAVORABLY.**

41.

Sǔn

**DECREASE**

xxxxxxx Mountain

xxx xxx

xxx xxx

xxx xxx Lake

xxxxxxx

xxxxxxx

sǔn. yǒu fú. yuán jí.

DECREASE. HAVE TRUST. MAJOR AUSPICIOUS.

**DECREASE. There IS TRUST. a MAJOR AUSPICIOUS omen.**

wú jiù. kě zhēn. lì yǒu yōu wǎng.

NO HARM. CAN DIVINE. FAVORABLE HAVE PURPOSE GO.

**NO HARM. You CAN engage in DIVINATION. It is FAVORABLE to PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE.**

hé zhī yòng? èr guǐ kě yòng xiǎng.

HOW [PART] ACT? TWO PLATTER CAN ACT SACRIFICE.

**HOW should one PROCEED? Using TWO PLATTERS, you CAN CONDUCT the SACRIFICE.**

1. yǐ shì chuán wǎng. wú jiù. zhuó sǔn zhī.

COMPLETE AFFAIR QUICKLY GO. NO HARM. POUR-WINE REDUCE IT.

**When your AFFAIRS are COMPLETED, GO QUICKLY. NO HARM. In POURING the WINE, REDUCE the amount.**

2. lì zhēn. zhēng xiōng. fú sǔn. yì zhī.

FAVORABLE OMEN. ADVANCE INAUSPICIOUS. NOT DECREASE. INCREASE IT.

**A FAVORABLE OMEN. INAUSPICIOUS for the army to ADVANCE. Do NOT DECREASE the amount. INCREASE IT.**

3. sān rén xíng zé sǔn yì rén.

THREE PERSON GO BUT DECREASE ONE PERSON.

**THREE PEOPLE GO, BUT are DECREASED by ONE.**

yì rén xíng zé dé qí yǒu.

ONE PERSON GO BUT GAIN HIS FRIEND.

**ONE PERSON GOES, BUT FINDS HIS FRIEND.**

4. sǔn qí jí, shǐ chuán yǒu xǐ. wú jiù.

DECREASE YOUR AFFLICTION, CAUSE QUICKLY HAVE JOY. NO HARM.

**YOUR AFFLICTION SUBSIDES, SOON BRINGING forth JOY. NO HARM.**

5. huò yì zhī. shí péng zhī guī. fú kè wéi.  
PERHAPS INCREASE IT. TEN PAIR OF TORTOISE. NOT CAN OPPOSE.  
**PERHAPS INCREASE the amount. Use TEN PAIRS OF TORTOISE shells. Such  
an omen CANNOT be OPPOSED.**

yuán jí.  
MAJOR AUSPICIOUS.  
**A MAJOR AUSPICIOUS omen.**

TOP: fú sǔn. yì zhī. wú jiù. zhēn jí.  
NOT DECREASE. INCREASE IT. NO HARM. OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**Do NOT DECREASE the amount. INCREASE IT. NO HARM. The OMEN is  
AUSPICIOUS.**

lì yǒu yōu wǎng. dé chén wú jiā.  
FAVORABLE HAVE PURPOSE GO. GAIN SERVANT NO HOUSEHOLD.  
**It is FAVORABLE to PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE. You GAIN a HOMELESS  
SERVANT.**

42.

Yì

**INCREASE**

xxxxxxx Wind  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx Thunder  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx

yì. lì yǒu yōu wǎng. lì shè dà chuān.  
INCREASE. FAVORABLE HAVE PURPOSE GO. FAVORABLE FORD GREAT RIVER.  
**INCREASE. It is FAVORABLE to PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE. It is FAVORABLE to FORD the GREAT RIVER.**

1. lì yòng wéi dà zuò. yuán jí. wú jiù.  
FAVORABLE ACT UNDERTAKE GREAT ACT. MAJOR AUSPICIOUS. NO HARM.  
**It is FAVORABLE to UNDERTAKE GREAT ACTS. a MAJOR AUSPICIOUS omen. NO HARM.**

2. huò yì zhī. shí péng zhī guī. fú kè wéi.  
PERHAPS INCREASE IT. TEN PAIR OF TORTOISE. NOT CAN OPPOSE.  
**PERHAPS INCREASE the amount. Use TEN PAIRS OF TORTOISE shells. Such an omen CANNOT be OPPOSED.**

yǒng zhēn jí. wáng yòng xiǎng yú dì. jí.  
ETERNAL OMEN AUSPICIOUS. KING ACT SACRIFICE AT GOD. AUSPICIOUS.  
**The OMEN of ETERNITY is AUSPICIOUS. The KING CONDUCTS a SACRIFICE BEFORE the GODS. AUSPICIOUS.**

3. yì zhī yòng xiōng shì. wú jiù. yǒu fú.  
INCREASE IT ACT INAUSPICIOUS EVENT. NO HARM. HAVE TRUST.  
**To INCREASE the amount would PRODUCE an INAUSPICIOUS OUTCOME. NO HARM. There IS TRUST.**

zhōng xíng gào gōng. yòng guī.  
MIDDLE GO INFORM DUKE. USE JADE-TABLET.  
**The DUKE is INFORMED in MID COURSE. The messenger USES a JADE TABLET.**

4. zhōng xíng gào gōng. cóng.  
MIDDLE GO INFORM DUKE. ENACT.  
**The DUKE is INFORMED in MID COURSE. Plans are ENACTED.**



lì yòng wéi yī qiān guó.  
FAVORABLE ACT DO COMPLY MOVE NATION.

**It is FAVORABLE to MAKE all COMPLY in MOVING the capital of the NATION.**

5. yǒu fú huì xīn, wù wèn. yuán jí.  
HAVE TRUST KINDNESS HEART, NOT ASK. MAJOR AUSPICIOUS.

**When there IS TRUST and the HEART is KIND, you need NOT ASK. A MAJOR AUSPICIOUS omen.**

yǒu fú, huì wǒ dé.  
HAVE TRUST, KINDNESS MY VIRTUE.

**When there IS TRUST, KINDNESS is MY VIRTUE.**

TOP: mò yì zhī. huò jī zhī.  
NOT INCREASE IT. PERHAPS ATTACK [PART].

**Do NOT INCREASE the amount. PERHAPS undertake an ATTACK.**

lì xīn wù héng. xiōng.  
ESTABLISH HEART NOT CONSTANT. INAUSPICIOUS.

**You have DIRECTED your HEART WITHOUT CONSTANCY. INAUSPICIOUS.**

43.

Guài

**STRIDING FORWARD**

xxx xxx Lake  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx Heaven  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx

guài. yáng yú wáng tíng. fú háo.  
STRIDE. ANNOUNCE AT KING COURT. TRUST CRY.  
**STRIDING forward. An ANNOUNCEMENT is made AT the COURT of the KING.  
A CRY of SOLIDARITY.**

yǒu lì. gào zì yì. bú lì jí róng.  
HAVE DANGER. REPORT FROM CITY. NOT FAVORABLE ADVANCE ARMY.  
**DANGER. REPORTS come in FROM the CITIES. It is NOT FAVORABLE for the  
ARMY to ADVANCE.**

lì yǒu yōu wǎng.  
FAVORABLE HAVE PURPOSE GO.  
**It is FAVORABLE to PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE.**

1. zhuàng yú qián zhǐ. wǎng bú shèng, wéi jiù.  
STRONG IN FORWARD FOOT. GO NOT VICTORY, ACT HARM.  
**STRENGTH IN the FORWARD-striding FEET. GOING forth will bring NO  
VICTORY, but only HARM.**

2. tì háo: mù yè yǒu róng. wù xù.  
ALARM CRY: NIGHT NIGHT HAVE ARMY. NOT CONCERN.  
**CRIES of ALARM: SOLDIERS advancing NIGHT after NIGHT. Do NOT be  
CONCERNED.**

3. zhuàng yú qiú. xiōng. jūn zǐ guài guài.  
STRONG IN CHEEKBONE. INAUSPICIOUS. NOBLE PERSON STRIDE STRIDE.  
**STRENGTH IN the CHEEKBONES. INAUSPICIOUS. The NOBLE PERSON keeps  
STRIDING forward.**

dú xíng. yù yǔ ruò rú. yǒu yùn, wú jiù.  
ALONE WALK. MEET RAIN LIKE WET. HAVE ANGER, NO HARM.  
**WALKING ALONE, you MEET with RAIN. Soon you are WET. ANGER, NO HARM.**

4. tún wú fū. qí xíng cì qiě.  
BUTTOCKS NO FLESH. YOU GO INFERIOR INDEED.  
**The BUTTOCKS are WITHERED. YOU WALK with GREAT DIFFICULTY.**

qiān yáng. huǐ wáng. wén yán bú xìn.  
LEAD GOAT. REGRET DISAPPEAR. HEAR SPEECH NOT BELIEVE.  
**You LEAD a GOAT. REGRETS will DISAPPEAR. Do NOT BELIEVE the WORDS  
you HEAR.**

5. xiàn lù guài guài. zhōng xíng wú jiù.  
AMARANTH LAND STRIDE STRIDE. MIDDLE GO NOT HARM.  
**You STRIDE forward through FIELDS of AMARANTHS. In MID COURSE there  
will be NO HARM.**

TOP: wú háo, zhōng yǒu xiōng.  
NO CRY, END HAVE INAUSPICIOUS.  
**NO CRIES, but the END will BRING ILL FATE.**

44.

Gòu

**A MATCH**

xxxxxxx Heaven  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx Wind  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx

gòu. nǚ zhuàng. wù yòng qǔ nǚ.  
MATCH. WOMAN STRONG. NOT ACT TAKE WOMAN.  
**A MATCH. The WOMAN is STRONG. Do NOT CHOOSE the WOMAN.**

1. xī yú jīn nǐ. zhēn jí.  
TIE TO GOLD BLOCK. OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**TIED TO a GOLDEN BLOCK. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

yǒu yōu wǎng, jiàn xiōng. léi shǐ fú dí zhú.  
HAVE PURPOSE GO, SEE INAUSPICIOUS. WEAK PIG TRUST HOOF PACE.  
**PROCEEDING WITH a PURPOSE, you will SEE ILL FATE. One can TRUST even a WEAK PIG to PACE about.**

2. bāo yǒu yú. wú jiù. bú lì bīn.  
WRAP HAVE FISH. NO HARM. NOT AUSPICIOUS GUEST.  
**In the WRAPPING there IS a FISH. NO HARM. It is INAUSPICIOUS to be a GUEST.**

3. tún wú fū. qí xíng cì qiě.  
BUTTOCKS NO FLESH. YOU GO INFERIOR INDEED.  
**The BUTTOCKS are WITHERED. YOU WALK with GREAT DIFFICULTY.**

lì, wú dà jiù.  
DANGER, NO GREAT HARM.  
**DANGER, but NO GREAT HARM.**

4. bāo wú yú. qǐ xiōng.  
WRAP NO FISH. BEGIN INAUSPICIOUS.  
**In the WRAPPING there is NO FISH. This is the BEGINNING of ILL FATE.**

5. yǐ qǐ bāo guā.  
TAKE WILLOW WRAP MELON.  
**USE WILLOW leaves to WRAP the MELONS.**

hán zhāng. bì yǒu yǔn zì tiān.  
MAINTAIN INTEGRITY. MUST HAVE FALL FROM HEAVEN.

**MAINTAIN your INTEGRITY. Disaster WILL DESCEND FROM HEAVEN.**

TOP: gòu qí jiǎo. lìn, wú jiù.

MATCH THEIR HORN. MISFORTUNE, NO HARM.

**The rams LOCK HORNS. An omen of MISFORTUNE, but NO HARM.**

45.

Cuì

**GATHERING**

xxx xxx Lake  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx Earth  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx

cuì. xiǎng. wáng gé yǒu miào.  
GATHERING. SACRIFICE. KING ARRIVE HAVE TEMPLE.  
**GATHERING. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted. When the KING ARRIVES the TEMPLE has been ESTABLISHED.**

lì jiàn dà rén.  
FAVORABLE SEE GREAT PERSON.  
**It is FAVORABLE to SEE the GREAT PERSON.**

xiǎng. lì zhēn. yòng dà shēng jí.  
SACRIFICE. FAVORABLE OMEN. USE GREAT CATTLE AUSPICIOUS.  
**Let a SACRIFICE be conducted. A FAVORABLE OMEN. AUSPICIOUS to MAKE a GREAT offering of CATTLE.**

lì yǒu yōu wǎng.  
FAVORABLE HAVE PURPOSE GO.  
**It is FAVORABLE to PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE.**

1. yǒu fú bù zhōng, nǎi luàn nǎi cuì.  
HAVE TRUST NOT END, BE TUMULT BE GATHERING.  
**When there IS INCOMPLETE TRUST, there will BE TUMULT and GATHERINGS of people.**

ruò háo, yí wò wéi xiào. wù xù. wǎng wú jiù.  
IF WAIL, ONE GRASP ACT LAUGH. NOT CONCERN. GO NO HARM.  
**IF there is WAILING, ONE EMBRACE will PRODUCE LAUGHTER. Do NOT be CONCERNED. GOING forth will bring NO HARM.**

2. yǐn jí. wú jiù.  
ATTRACT AUSPICIOUS. NO HARM.  
**It is AUSPICIOUS to INVITE guests. NO HARM.**

fú nǎi lì yòng yuè.  
TRUST THEN FAVORABLE ACT SPRING-OFFERING.  
**If there is TRUST, THEN it is FAVORABLE to CONDUCT the SPRING OFFERING.**

3. cuì            rú    jiē        rú.    wú    yōu        lì.  
GATHERING THUS LAMENT THUS. NO PURPOSE FAVORABLE.  
**GATHERING and LAMENTING. There is NO ENDEAVOR that will end FAVORABLY.**

wǎng    wú    jiù,    xiǎo    lìn.  
GO        NO HARM, SMALL MISFORTUNE.  
**GOING forth will bring NO HARM, but only a MINOR MISFORTUNE.**

4. dà        jí.                    wú    jiù.  
GREAT AUSPICIOUS. NO HARM.  
**A GREAT AUSPICIOUS omen. NO HARM.**

5. cuì            yǒu    wèi.            wú    jiù    fěi    fú.        yuán    jí.  
GATHERING HAVE POSITION. NO HARM NOT TRUST. MAJOR AUSPICIOUS.  
**At the GATHERING you GAIN a POSITION of respect. NO HARM, but NO TRUST. A MAJOR AUSPICIOUS omen.**

yǒng        zhēn.    huǐ        wáng.  
ETERNAL OMEN. REGRET DISAPPEAR.  
**The OMEN of ETERNITY. REGRETS will DISAPPEAR.**

TOP: jī    zī    tì    yí.        wú    jiù.  
SIGH SIGH WEEP WAIL. NO HARM.  
**SIGHING, SIGHING, WEEPING and WAILING. NO HARM.**

46.

Shēng

**ASCENDING**

xxx xxx Earth  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx Wind  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx

shēng. yuán xiǎng. yòng jiàn dà rén. wù xù.  
ASCEND. MAJOR SACRIFICE. ACT SEE GREAT PERSON. NOT CONCERN.  
**ASCENDING. Let a MAJOR SACRIFICE be conducted. SEE the GREAT PERSON. Do NOT be CONCERNED.**

nán zhēng jí.  
SOUTH ADVANCE AUSPICIOUS.  
**AUSPICIOUS for the army to ADVANCE to the SOUTH.**

1. yǔn shēng. dà jí.  
PERMIT ASCEND. GREAT AUSPICIOUS.  
**You are PERMITTED to ASCEND. a GREAT AUSPICIOUS omen.**

2. fú nǎi lì yòng yuè. wú jiù.  
TRUST THEN FAVORABLE ACT SPRING-OFFERING. NO HARM.  
**If there is TRUST, THEN it is FAVORABLE to CONDUCT the SPRING OFFERING. NO HARM.**

3. shēng xū yì.  
ASCEND EMPTY CITY.  
**You ASCEND to an EMPTY CITY.**

4. wáng yòng xiǎng yú Qí Shān. jí. wú jiù.  
KING ACT SACRIFICE AT QI MOUNTAIN. AUSPICIOUS. NO HARM.  
**The KING CONDUCTS a SACRIFICE AT MOUNT QI. AUSPICIOUS. NO HARM.**

5. zhēn jí. shēng jiē.  
OMEN AUSPICIOUS. ASCEND STEP.  
**The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS. ASCEND the STEPS.**

TOP: míng shēng. lì yú bù xī zhī zhēn.  
DARK ASCEND. ADVANTAGE THROUGH NO REST OF OMEN.  
**You ASCEND in the DARK. An OMEN OF ADVANTAGE THROUGH persevering WITHOUT REST.**



47.

Kùn

**OPPRESSION**

xxx xxx Lake  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx Water  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx

kùn. xiǎng. zhēn dà rén jí. wú jiù.  
OPPRESS. SACRIFICE. OMEN GREAT PERSON AUSPICIOUS. NO HARM.  
**OPPRESSION. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS for the GREAT PERSON. NO HARM.**

yǒu yán bú xìn.  
HAVE SPEECH NOT BELIEVE.  
**Do NOT BELIEVE the WORDS that are SPOKEN.**

1. tún kùn yú zhū mù.  
BUTTOCKS OPPRESS AT TRUNK TREE.  
**You SIT, OPPRESSED, AGAINST a TREE TRUNK.**

rù yú yōu gǔ. sān suì bù dí.  
ENTER INTO DISTANT VALLEY. THREE YEAR NOT SEE.  
**You ENTER INTO the DISTANT VALLEY. For THREE YEARS you are NOT SEEN.**

2. kùn yú jiǔ shí. zhū fú fāng lái.  
OPPRESS AT WINE FOOD. VERMILION SASH SQUARE COME.  
**You are OPPRESSED WHILE partaking of WINE and FOOD. The official with the VERMILION SASH ENTERS from the SIDE.**

lì yòng xiǎng sì. zhēng xiōng. wú jiù.  
FAVORABLE ACT SACRIFICE SACRIFICE. ADVANCE INAUSPICIOUS. NO HARM.  
**It is FAVORABLE to CONDUCT SACRIFICES. INAUSPICIOUS for the army to ADVANCE. NO HARM.**

3. kùn yú shí, jù yú jí-lí.  
OPPRESS AT STONE, SEIZE AT STAR-THISTLE.  
**OPPRESSED AMONG the STONES, SEIZED AMONG the STAR THISTLES.**

rù yú qí gōng, bú jiàn qí qī. xiōng.  
ENTER INTO HIS PALACE, NOT SEE HIS WIFE. INAUSPICIOUS.  
**ENTERING INTO HIS PALACE, one does NOT SEE HIS WIFE. INAUSPICIOUS.**

4. lái xú xú, kùn yú jīn chē. lìn yǒu zhōng.  
COME SLOW SLOW, OPPRESS IN GOLD CART. MISFORTUNE HAVE END.  
**You APPROACH SLOWLY, SLOWLY, OPPRESSED IN a GOLDEN CART. Yet MISFORTUNE is NEARING an END.**

5. yì yuè. kùn yú chì fú.  
SEVER-NOSE SEVER-FOOT. OPPRESS AT RED SASH.  
**SEVERING of the NOSE, AMPUTATION of the FEET. You are OPPRESSED BY the official with the RED SASH.**

nǎi xú yǒu tuō. lì yòng jì sì.  
THEN SLOW HAVE WITHDRAW. FAVORABLE ACT SACRIFICE SACRIFICE.  
**THEN, SLOWLY, oppression RECEDES. It is FAVORABLE to CONDUCT SACRIFICES.**

TOP: kùn yú gé lěi, yú niè wù.  
OPPRESS AT KUDZU VINE, AT UNCERTAIN UNSETTLED.  
**You are OPPRESSED AMONG the KUDZU VINES, AMIDST UNCERTAINTY and DOUBT.**

rì dòng, huǐ yǒu huǐ. zhēng jí.  
DAY MOVE, REGRET HAVE REGRET. ADVANCE AUSPICIOUS.  
**As you MOVE on, DAY by day, there ARE REGRETS and more REGRETS. AUSPICIOUS for the army to ADVANCE.**

48.

Jǐng

**THE WELL**

xxx xxx Water  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx Wind  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx

jǐng. gǎi yì, bù gǎi jǐng. wú sàng wú dé.  
WELL. CHANGE CITY, NOT CHANGE WELL. NO LOSS NO GAIN.

**The WELL. CHANGE the CITY, but do NOT CHANGE the WELL. NO LOSSES, NO GAINS.**

wǎng lái jǐng. jǐng qì zhì.  
GO COME WELL. WELL NEARLY REACH.

**COMINGS and GOINGS at the WELL. The WELL is NEARLY DRY.**

yì wèi jú jǐng. léi qí píng. xiōng.  
ALSO NOT ROPE WELL. FRAGILE YOUR JUG. INAUSPICIOUS.

**NOR is a ROPE to be found at the WELL. YOUR JUG is FRAGILE. INAUSPICIOUS.**

1. jǐng ní, bù shí. jiù jǐng, wú qín.  
WELL MUD, NOT DRINK. OLD WELL, NO FOWL.

**The WELL is MUDDY, DO NOT DRINK. An OLD WELL, NO FOWL.**

2. jǐng gǔ. shè fù. wèng bì lòu.  
WELL VALLEY. SHOOT CARP. URN BROKEN LEAK.

**The WELL in the VALLEY. SHOOTING at CARP. The URN is BROKEN and LEAKING.**

3. jǐng xiè, bù shí. wéi wǒ xīn cè.  
WELL FLOW, NOT DRINK. ACT MY HEART SAD.

**The WELL FLOWS forth, but DO NOT DRINK. This BRINGS SADNESS to MY HEART.**

kě yòng jí. wáng míng bìng shòu qí fú.  
CAN ACT DRAW. KING BRIGHT TOGETHER RECEIVE ITS BLESSING.

**You CAN DRAW water. When the KING is ENLIGHTENED, ALL RECEIVE the BLESSINGS of the well.**

4. jǐng zhòu. wú jiù.  
WELL LAY-BRICKS. NO HARM.

**The WELL is LINED with BRICKS. NO HARM.**

5. jǐng liè: hán quán. shí.  
WELL COLD: COLD SPRING. DRINK.

**The WATER is COLD: an ice-COLD SPRING. DRINK!**

TOP: jǐng shōu, wù mù. yǒu fú. yuán jí.  
WELL USE, NOT COVER. HAVE TRUST. MAJOR AUSPICIOUS.

**Let the WELL be USED, do NOT COVER it. There IS TRUST. A MAJOR  
AUSPICIOUS omen.**

49.

Gé

**REVOLT**

xxx xxx      Lake  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx      Fire  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx

gé.      jǐ      rì      nǎi      fú.      yuán      xiǎng.  
REVOLT. SIXTH DAY THEN TRUST. MAJOR SACRIFICE.

**REVOLT. On the SIXTH DAY there will be TRUST. Let a MAJOR SACRIFICE be conducted.**

lì      zhēn.      huǐ      wáng.  
FAVORABLE OMEN. REGRET DISAPPEAR.

**A FAVORABLE OMEN. REGRETS will DISAPPEAR.**

1. gōng      yòng      huáng      niú      zhī      gé.  
TIE      USE      YELLOW OX      [PART]      HIDE.

**The beast is TIED WITH a rope of YELLOW OX HIDE.**

2. jǐ      rì      nǎi      gé      zhī.      zhēng      jí.      wú      jiù.  
SIXTH DAY THEN REVOLT [PART]. ADVANCE AUSPICIOUS. NO HARM.

**On the SIXTH DAY, let the REVOLT begin. AUSPICIOUS for the army to ADVANCE. NO HARM.**

3. zhēng      xiōng.      zhēn      lì.      gé      yán      sān      jiù.  
ADVANCE INAUSPICIOUS. OMEN DANGER. REVOLT SPEECH THREE ACCOMPLISH.

**INAUSPICIOUS for the army to ADVANCE. An OMEN of DANGER. INCITEMENTS to REVOLT are THRICE PRONOUNCED.**

yǒu      fú.  
HAVE TRUST.

**There IS TRUST.**

4. huǐ      wáng.      yǒu      fú      gǎi      mìng.      jí.  
REGRET DISAPPEAR. HAVE TRUST CHANGE RULERSHIP. AUSPICIOUS.

**REGRETS will DISAPPEAR. When there IS TRUST, the RULER can be REPLACED. AUSPICIOUS.**

5. dà      rén      hǔ      biàn.      wèi      zhēn      yǒu      fú.  
GREAT PERSON TIGER CHANGE. NOT-YET DIVINE HAVE TRUST.

**The GREAT PERSON is as CHANGEABLE as a TIGER. BEFORE the DIVINATION there IS TRUST.**

TOP: jūn zǐ bào biàn. xiǎo rén gé miàn.  
NOBLE PERSON LEOPARD CHANGE. SMALL PERSON CHANGE FACE.  
**The NOBLE PERSON is as CHANGEABLE as a LEOPARD. The LOWLY CHANGE  
only on the SURFACE.**

zhēng xiōng. jū zhēn jí.  
ADVANCE INAUSPICIOUS. DWELL OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**INAUSPICIOUS for the army to ADVANCE. An AUSPICIOUS OMEN for  
REMAINING at HOME.**

50.

Dǐng

**THE TRIPOD**

xxxxxxx      Fire  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx      Wind  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx

dǐng.                  yuán jí.                  xiǎng.  
TRIPOD-VESSEL. MAJOR AUSPICIOUS. SACRIFICE.  
**The TRIPOD. A MAJOR AUSPICIOUS omen. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted.**

1. dǐng                  diān                  zhǐ.                  lì                  chū                  pǐ.  
TRIPOD-VESSEL OVERTURN FOOT. FAVORABLE EXIT OBSTRUCTION.  
**The FEET of the TRIPOD are OVERTURNED. FAVORABLE for EXPELLING  
the OBSTRUCTION.**

dé                  qiè                  yǐ                  qí                  zǐ.                  wú                  jiù.  
GAIN CONCUBINE TAKE ONE'S SON. NO HARM.  
**TAKING a CONCUBINE to BEAR A SON. NO HARM.**

2. dǐng                  yǒu                  shí.                  wǒ                  chóu                  yǒu                  jí.  
TRIPOD-VESSEL HAVE SUBSTANCE. MY ENEMY HAVE AFFLICTION.  
**My TRIPOD is FULL of FOOD. MY ENEMIES SUFFER AFFLICTION.**

bù                  wǒ                  néng                  jí.                  jí.  
NOT I CAN REACH. AUSPICIOUS.  
**I am NOT within their REACH. AUSPICIOUS.**

3. dǐng                  ěr                  gé.  
TRIPOD-VESSEL EAR REMOVE.  
**The TRIPOD'S EARS have been REMOVED.**

qí                  xíng                  sāi,                  zhì                  gāo                  bù                  shí.  
IT GO STUFF, PHEASANT GREASE NOT EAT.  
**IT has BEEN STUFFED to the top, but the PHEASANT GREASE is NOT  
EATEN.**

fāng                  yǔ                  kuī                  huǐ.                  zhōng                  jí.  
WHEN RAIN LOSE REGRET. END AUSPICIOUS.  
**WHEN it RAINS, REGRETS will VANISH. The END will be AUSPICIOUS.**

4. dǐng                   zhé zú: fù           gōng sù, qí xíng wò.  
TRIPOD-VESSEL SNAP FOOT: OVERTURN DUKE STEW, ITS FORM MOISTEN.  
**The FEET SNAP off the TRIPOD: the DUKE'S REPAST is OVERTURNED,**  
**the tripod's FORM is SULLIED.**

xiōng.  
INAUSPICIOUS.  
**INAUSPICIOUS.**

5. dǐng                   huáng ěr, jīn xuàn. lì           zhēn.  
TRIPOD-VESSEL YELLOW EAR, GOLD HANDLE. FAVORABLE OMEN.  
**A TRIPOD with YELLOW EARS, GOLDEN HANDLES. A FAVORABLE OMEN.**

TOP: dǐng                   yù xuàn. dà jí.           wú           bú lì.  
TRIPOD-VESSEL JADE HANDLE. GREAT AUSPICIOUS. NOTHING NOT FAVORABLE.  
**A TRIPOD with JADE HANDLES. A GREAT AUSPICIOUS omen. There is**  
**NOTHING that will NOT end FAVORABLY.**



51.

Zhèn

**THUNDER**

xxx xxx Thunder

xxx xxx

xxxxxxx

xxx xxx Thunder

xxx xxx

xxxxxxx

zhèn. xiǎng.

THUNDER. SACRIFICE.

**THUNDER. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted.**

zhèn lái-xì-xì, xiào yán yǎ yǎ.

THUNDER COME DREADFUL, LAUGH SPEECH HA HA.

**The THUNDER COMES, instilling DREAD, yet one LAUGHS and TALKS.**

zhèn jīng bǎi lǐ, bú sàng bǐ chàng.

THUNDER SHOCK HUNDRED MILE, NOT LOSE LADLE SACRIFICIAL-WINE.

**The THUNDERCLAP is heard a HUNDRED MILES, yet NOT one LADLE of SACRIFICIAL WINE is SPILLED.**

1. zhèn lái-xì-xì hòu, xiào yán yǎ yǎ. jí.

THUNDER COME DREADFUL AFTER, LAUGH SPEECH HA HA. AUSPICIOUS.

**AFTER the THUNDER COMES, instilling DREAD, there is LAUGHTER and MERRIMENT. AUSPICIOUS.**

2. zhèn lái lì. yì sàng bèi.

THUNDER COME DANGER. HUNDRED-THOUSAND LOSE COWRIE-SHELL.

**The THUNDER COMES, bringing DANGER. a HUNDRED THOUSAND COWRIE SHELLS are LOST.**

jī yú jiǔ líng, wù zhú. qī rì dé.

CLIMB AT NINE HILL, NOT PURSUE. SEVEN DAY GAIN.

**Even if he CLIMBS TO the NINE HILLS, do NOT PURSUE him. In SEVEN DAYS he will be TAKEN.**

3. zhèn sū sū, zhèn xíng wú shēng.

THUNDER REVIVE REVIVE, THUNDER GO NO ERROR.

**The THUNDER REVIVES, but while IT RUMBLES there will be NO ERROR.**

4. zhèn suì ní.

THUNDER THEN MUD.

**THUNDER and THEN MUD.**

5. zhèn wǎng lái. lì. yì wú sàng: yǒu shì.  
THUNDER GO COME. DANGER. INTENTION NOT LOSE: HAVE AFFAIR.  
**The THUNDER COMES and GOES. DANGER. You have NOT FORGOTTEN your INTENTIONS: there ARE TASKS ahead.**

TOP: zhèn suǒ-suǒ shì jué-jué. zhēng xiōng.  
THUNDER THREATENING. SEE WATCH-IN-TERROR. ADVANCE INAUSPICIOUS.  
**The THUNDER THREATENS. You WATCH IN TERROR. INAUSPICIOUS for the army to ADVANCE.**

zhèn bù yú qí gōng, yú qí lín. wú jiù.  
THUNDER NOT AT YOUR SELF, AT YOUR NEIGHBOR. NO HARM.  
**The THUNDER does NOT strike YOU, but strikes YOUR NEIGHBOR. NO HARM.**

hūn gòu yǒu yán.  
MARRIAGE MATCH HAVE SPEECH.  
**There IS TALK of MARRIAGE.**

52.

Gěn

**MOTIONLESS**

xxxxxxx Mountain  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx Mountain  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx

gěn qí bèi. bú huò qí shēn.  
MOTIONLESS YOUR BACK. NOT CAPTURE YOUR BODY.  
**YOUR BACK is MOTIONLESS. YOU will NOT be CAPTURED.**

xíng qí tíng. bú jiàn qí rén. wú jiù.  
WALK YOUR COURTYARD. NOT SEE YOUR PERSON. NO HARM.  
**WALKING in YOUR COURTYARD. YOU are NOT SEEN. NO HARM.**

1. gěn qí zhǐ. wú jiù. lì yǒng zhēn.  
MOTIONLESS YOUR FOOT. NO HARM. FAVORABLE ETERNAL OMEN.  
**YOUR FEET are MOTIONLESS. NO HARM. The OMEN of ETERNITY is FAVORABLE.**

2. gěn qí féi. bù zhěng qí suí.  
MOTIONLESS YOUR CALF. NOT SAVE YOUR FOLLOW.  
**YOUR CALVES are MOTIONLESS. You CANNOT SAVE YOUR FOLLOWERS.**

qí xīn bú kuài.  
YOUR HEART NOT GLAD.  
**YOUR HEART is NOT GLAD.**

3. gěn qí xiàn. liè qí yín.  
MOTIONLESS YOUR THRESHOLD. ALIGN YOUR SACRUM.  
**The THRESHOLD of YOUR body is MOTIONLESS. YOUR SACRUM is ALIGNED.**

lì. xūn xīn.  
DANGER. SUFFOCATE HEART.  
**DANGER. Your HEART is STIFLED.**

4. gěn qí shēn. wú jiù.  
MOTIONLESS YOUR BODY. NO HARM.  
**YOUR BODY is MOTIONLESS. NO HARM.**

5. gēn qí fǔ. yán yǒu xù. huǐ wáng.  
MOTIONLESS YOUR JAW. SPEECH HAVE ORDER. REGRET DISAPPEAR.  
**YOUR JAWS are FIRM. Your SPEECH is ORDERLY. REGRETS will  
DISAPPEAR.**

TOP: dūn gēn. jí.  
SINCERE MOTIONLESS. AUSPICIOUS.  
**You are SINCERE and MOTIONLESS. AUSPICIOUS.**

53.

Jiàn

**GRADUAL APPROACH**

xxxxxxx Wind  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx Mountain  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx

jiàn. nǚ guī jí. lì zhēn.  
GRADUAL. WOMAN MARRY AUSPICIOUS. FAVORABLE OMEN.

**A GRADUAL approach. AUSPICIOUS for the WOMAN to MARRY. A FAVORABLE OMEN.**

1. hóng jiàn yú gān. xiǎo zǐ lì.  
WILD-GOOSE GRADUAL TO DRY. SMALL SON DANGER.

**The WILD GOOSE GRADUALLY NEARS the DRY land. DANGER for the YOUNGEST SON.**

yǒu yán. wú jiù.  
HAVE SPEECH. NO HARM.

**A DISCUSSION. NO HARM.**

2. hóng jiàn yú pán. yǐn shí kàn kàn. jí.  
WILD-GOOSE GRADUAL TO CLIFF. DRINK EAT JOYFUL JOYFUL. AUSPICIOUS.

**The WILD GOOSE GRADUALLY NEARS the CLIFF. JOYFUL EATING and DRINKING. AUSPICIOUS.**

3. hóng jiàn yú lù.  
WILD-GOOSE GRADUAL TO LAND.

**The WILD GOOSE GRADUALLY NEARS the LAND.**

fū zhēng bú fù. fù yùn bú yù.  
HUSBAND ADVANCE NOT RETURN. WIFE CONCEIVE NOT BEAR-CHILD.

**The HUSBAND SETS FORTH but does NOT RETURN. The WIFE CONCEIVES but BEARS NO CHILD.**

xiōng. lì yù kòu.  
INAUSPICIOUS. FAVORABLE WARD-OFF ENEMY.

**INAUSPICIOUS. It is FAVORABLE to WARD OFF ENEMIES.**

4. hóng jiàn yú mù. huò dé qí jué. wú jiù.  
WILD-GOOSE GRADUAL TO TREE. PERHAPS GAIN ITS EVE. NO HARM.

**The WILD GOOSE GRADUALLY NEARS the TREES. PERHAPS it will FIND A PERCH. NO HARM.**

5. hóng jiàn yú líng. fù sān suì bú yùn.  
WILD-GOOSE GRADUAL TO HILL. WIFE THREE YEAR NOT CONCEIVE.  
**The WILD GOOSE GRADUALLY NEARS the HILL. For THREE YEARS the  
WIFE will NOT CONCEIVE.**

zhōng mò zhī shèng. jí.  
END NOT IT CONQUER. AUSPICIOUS.  
**In the END, NOTHING PREVENTS IT. AUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: hóng jiàn yú lù.  
WILD-GOOSE GRADUAL TO LAND.  
**The WILD GOOSE GRADUALLY NEARS the LAND.**

qí yǔ kě yòng wéi yí. jí.  
ITS FEATHER CAN USE ACT RITE. AUSPICIOUS.  
**ITS FEATHERS CAN be USED to CONDUCT the RITES. AUSPICIOUS.**

54.

Guī Mèi  
**THE MARRYING MAIDEN**

xxx xxx Thunder  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx Lake  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx

guī mèi. zhēng xiōng. wú yōu lì.  
MARRY YOUNGER-SISTER. ADVANCE INAUSPICIOUS. NO PURPOSE FAVORABLE.  
**The MARRYING MAIDEN. INAUSPICIOUS for the army to ADVANCE. There is NO ENDEAVOR that will end FAVORABLY.**

1. guī mèi yǐ dì.  
MARRY YOUNGER-SISTER TAKE SECONDARY-WIFE.  
**The MARRYING MAIDEN TAKES along a SECONDARY WIFE.**

bō néng lǚ. zhēng jí.  
LAME CAN TREAD. ADVANCE AUSPICIOUS.  
**The LAME CAN WALK. AUSPICIOUS for the army to ADVANCE.**

2. miǎo néng shì. lì yōu rén zhī zhēn.  
BLIND-IN-ONE-EYE CAN SEE. FAVORABLE SECLUDED PERSON OF OMEN.  
**The HALF-BLIND CAN SEE. The OMEN OF the PERSON in SECLUSION is FAVORABLE.**

3. guī mèi yǐ xū.  
MARRY YOUNGER-SISTER TAKE HANDMAIDEN.  
**The MARRYING MAIDEN TAKES along a HANDMAIDEN.**

fǎn guī yǐ dì.  
REVERSE MARRY TAKE SECONDARY-WIFE.  
**When the MARRIAGE is at an END, she TAKES along the SECONDARY WIFE.**

4. guī mèi qiān qī. chí guī yǒu shí.  
MARRY YOUNGER-SISTER EXCEED DATE. LATE MARRY HAVE TIME.  
**The MARRYING MAIDEN EXCEEDS the appointed DATE. There IS TIME to POSTPONE the MARRIAGE.**

5. Dì Yǐ guī mèi.  
EMPEROR YI MARRY YOUNGER-SISTER.  
**EMPEROR YI gives his YOUNGER SISTER in MARRIAGE.**

qí jūn zhī mèi  
THE MONARCH OF SLEEVE  
**The SLEEVES OF THE MONARCH**

bù rú qí dì zhī mèi liáng.  
NOT AS THE SECONDARY-WIFE OF SLEEVE SPLENDID.  
**are NOT as SPLENDID AS the SLEEVES OF THE SECONDARY WIFE.**

yuè jī wàng. jí.  
MOON NEARLY FULL. AUSPICIOUS.  
**The MOON is NEARLY FULL. AUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: nǚ chéng kuāng, wú shí.  
WOMAN BEAR BASKET, NO SUBSTANCE.  
**The WOMAN BEARS a BASKET, but there is NOTHING in it.**

shì kuī yáng, wú xuè.  
YOUNG-MAN STAB SHEEP, NO BLOOD.  
**The YOUNG MAN STABS a SHEEP, but there is NO BLOOD.**

wú yōu lì.  
NO PURPOSE FAVORABLE.  
**There is NO ENDEAVOR that will end FAVORABLY.**



55.

Fēng

**ABUNDANCE**

xxx xxx Thunder  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx Fire  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx

fēng. xiǎng. wáng gé zhī. wù yōu. yí rì zhōng.  
ABUNDANT.SACRIFICE. KING ARRIVE [PART]. NOT WORRY. FITTING DAY MIDDLE.  
**ABUNDANCE. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted. The KING ARRIVES. Do NOT be TROUBLED. It is FITTING to act at MIDDAY.**

1. yù qí pèi zhǔ. suī xún wú jiù.  
MEET YOUR COUNTERPART MASTER. EVEN TEN-DAYS NO HARM.  
**You MEET with YOUR COUNTERPART and MASTER. EVEN after TEN DAYS, there will be NO HARM.**

wǎng yǒu shàng.  
GO HAVE VALUE.  
**GOING forth IS BENEFICIAL.**

2. fēng qí bù. rì zhōng jiàn dǒu.  
ABUNDANT YOUR CURTAIN. DAY MIDDLE SEE BIG-DIPPER.  
**YOUR CURTAIN is ABUNDANT. The BIG DIPPER is SEEN at MIDDAY.**

wǎng dé yí jí, yǒu fú fā ruò. jí.  
GO GAIN DOUBT AFFLICTION, HAVE TRUST DEVELOP THUS. AUSPICIOUS.  
**GOING forth BRINGS DOUBTS and AFFLICTIONS, but TRUST is DEVELOPING. AUSPICIOUS.**

3. fēng qí pèi. rì zhōng jiàn mò.  
ABUNDANT YOUR BANNER. DAY MIDDLE SEE FROTH.  
**YOUR BANNER is ABUNDANT. SWIRLING WATERS are SEEN at MIDDAY.**

zhé qí yòu gōng. wú jiù.  
BREAK YOUR RIGHT ARM. NO HARM.  
**You BREAK YOUR RIGHT ARM. NO HARM.**

4. fēng qí bù. rì zhōng jiàn dǒu.  
ABUNDANT YOUR CURTAIN. DAY MIDDLE SEE BIG-DIPPER.  
**YOUR CURTAIN is ABUNDANT. The BIG DIPPER is SEEN at MIDDAY.**

yù qí yí zhu. jí.  
MEET YOUR SAFE MASTER. AUSPICIOUS.  
**You MEET with YOUR MASTER in SAFETY. AUSPICIOUS.**

5. lái zhāng. yǒu qìng yù. jí.  
COME INTEGRITY. HAVE REWARD PRAISE. AUSPICIOUS.  
**You COME with INTEGRITY. There ARE REWARDS and PRAISE. AUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: fēng qí wū, bù qí jiā.  
ABUNDANT YOUR HOUSE, CURTAIN YOUR HOUSEHOLD.  
**YOUR HOUSE is ABUNDANT, yet YOUR HOUSEHOLD is CURTAINED off.**

kuī qí hù, qù qí wú rén.  
PEER YOUR DOOR, SEE [PART] NO PERSON.  
**One PEERS through YOUR DOOR, yet SEES NO ONE.**

sān suì bù dī. xiōng.  
THREE YEAR NOT SEE. INAUSPICIOUS.  
**You are NOT SEEN for THREE YEARS. INAUSPICIOUS.**

56.

Lǚ

**THE TRAVELER**

xxxxxxx      Fire  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx      Mountain  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx

lǚ.      xiǎo xiǎng.      lǚ      zhēn jí.  
TRAVEL. SMALL SACRIFICE. TRAVEL OMEN AUSPICIOUS.

**The TRAVELER. Let a MINOR SACRIFICE be conducted. The OMEN of the TRAVELER is AUSPICIOUS.**

1. lǚ      suǒ      suǒ,      sī      qí suǒ.      qǔ zāi.

TRAVEL TRIVIAL TRIVIAL, LEAVE HIS PLACE. GET DISASTER.

**Absorbed with TRIVIALITIES, the TRAVELER LEAVES HIS DWELLING, COURTING DISASTER.**

2. lǚ      jí      cì,      huái      qí zī.      dé      tóng pú.

TRAVEL REACH LODGING, EMBRACE HIS MONEY. GAIN CHILD SERVANT.

**The TRAVELER REACHES an INN, EMBRACING HIS MONEY. He ACQUIRES a CHILD SERVANT.**

zhēn jí.

OMEN AUSPICIOUS.

**The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

3. lǚ      fén qí cì.      sàng qí tóng pú.      zhēn lì.

TRAVEL BURN HIS LODGING. LOSE HIS CHILD SERVANT. OMEN DANGER.

**The TRAVELER'S INN is BURNING. He LOSES THE CHILD SERVANT. An OMEN of DANGER.**

4. lǚ      yú chù.      dé      qí zī      fǔ.      wǒ xīn      bú kuài.

TRAVEL IN PLACE; GAIN HIS MONEY AX. MY HEART NOT GLAD.

**The TRAVELER is IN a safe PLACE. He GETS HIS MONEY and his AX. MY HEART is NOT GLAD.**

5. shè      zhì.      yì      shǐ      wáng.      zhōng      yǐ      yù      mìng.

SHOOT PHEASANT. ONE ARROW DISAPPEAR. END TAKE PRAISE RANK.

**You SHOOT a PHEASANT. ONE ARROW is LOST. In the END, you will GAIN PRAISE and RANK.**

TOP: niǎo fén qí cháo. lǚ rén xiān xiào, hòu háo táo.  
BIRD BURN ITS NEST. TRAVEL PERSON FIRST LAUGH, THEN CRY WAIL.  
**The BIRD'S NEST is BURNING. The TRAVELER FIRST LAUGHS, THEN CRIES  
and WAILS.**

sàng niú yú yì. xiōng.  
LOSE OX IN EASE. INAUSPICIOUS.  
**You LOSE an OX IN a time of EASE. INAUSPICIOUS.**

57.

Xùn

**COWARDICE**

xxxxxxx Wind  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx Wind  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx

xùn. xiǎo xiǎng. lì yǒu yōu wǎng.  
COWARDLY. SMALL SACRIFICE. FAVORABLE HAVE PURPOSE GO.

**COWARDICE. Let a MINOR SACRIFICE be conducted. It is FAVORABLE to PROCEED WITH a PURPOSE.**

lì jiàn dà rén.  
FAVORABLE SEE GREAT PERSON.

**It is FAVORABLE to SEE the GREAT PERSON.**

1. jìn tuì. lì wǔ rén zhī zhēn.  
ADVANCE RETREAT. FAVORABLE MILITARY PERSON OF OMEN.

**ADVANCING and RETREATING. The OMEN of the WARRIOR is FAVORABLE.**

2. xùn zài chuáng xià. yòng shǐ wū fēn ruò.  
COWARDLY AT BED BENEATH. USE RECITER SORCERER PROFUSE THUS.

**COWARDLY, you hide BENEATH the BED. You UTILIZE SPELL-CASTERS and SORCERERS in PROFUSION.**

jí. wú jiù.  
AUSPICIOUS. NO HARM.

**AUSPICIOUS. NO HARM.**

3. pín xùn. lìn.  
URGENT COWARDLY. MISFORTUNE.

**You are FRANTIC and COWARDLY. MISFORTUNE.**

4. huǐ wáng. tián huò sān pǐn.  
REGRET DISAPPEAR. FIELD GAIN THREE TYPE.

**REGRETS will DISAPPEAR. In the FIELD you BAG THREE TYPES of game.**

5. zhēn jí. huǐ wáng. wú bú lì.  
OMEN AUSPICIOUS. REGRET DISAPPEAR. NOTHING NOT FAVORABLE.

**The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS. REGRETS will DISAPPEAR. There is NOTHING that will NOT end FAVORABLY.**

wú chū yǒu zhōng.  
NOT FIRST HAVE END.

**Affairs which did NOT at FIRST succeed HAVE a good CULMINATION.**

xiān gēng sān rì, hòu gēng sān rì. jí.  
BEFORE SEVENTH THREE DAY, AFTER SEVENTH THREE DAY. AUSPICIOUS.

**THREE DAYS BEFORE the SEVENTH. THREE DAYS AFTER the SEVENTH.  
AUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: xùn zài chuáng xià. sàng qí zī fǔ.  
COWARDLY AT BED BENEATH. LOSE YOUR MONEY AX.

**COWARDLY, you hide BENEATH the BED. You LOSE YOUR MONEY and your AX.**

zhēn xiōng.  
OMEN INAUSPICIOUS.

**The OMEN is INAUSPICIOUS.**

58.

Duì  
**JOY**

xxx xxx Lake  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx Lake  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx

duì. xiǎng. lì zhēn.  
JOY. SACRIFICE. FAVORABLE OMEN.  
**JOY. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted. A FAVORABLE OMEN.**

1. hé duì. jí.  
PEACE JOY. AUSPICIOUS.  
**PEACE with JOY. AUSPICIOUS.**

2. fú duì. jí. huǐ wáng.  
TRUST JOY. AUSPICIOUS. REGRET DISAPPEAR.  
**TRUST amidst JOY. AUSPICIOUS. REGRETS will DISAPPEAR.**

3. lái duì. xiōng.  
COME JOY. INAUSPICIOUS.  
**JOY COMES, yet the omens are INAUSPICIOUS.**

4. shāng duì wèi níng. jiè jí. yǒu xǐ.  
DISCUSS JOY NOT PEACEFUL. ARMOR AFFLICTION. HAVE JOY.  
**DISCUSSIONS are JOYFUL, yet there is NO PEACE. You are PROTECTED  
against AFFLICTION. JOY will PREVAIL.**

5. fú yú bō. yǒu lì.  
TRUST IN SPLIT. HAVE DANGER.  
**There is TRUST AMIDST DISSENT. DANGER.**

TOP: yīn duì.  
CAUSE JOY.  
**JOY is BROUGHT forth.**

59.

Huàn

**FLOWING**

xxxxxxx Wind  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx Water  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx

huàn. xiǎng. wáng gé yǒu miào.

FLOW. SACRIFICE. KING ARRIVE HAVE TEMPLE.

**FLOWING. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted. When the KING ARRIVES the TEMPLE has been ESTABLISHED.**

lì shè dà chuān. lì zhēn.

FAVORABLE FORD GREAT RIVER. FAVORABLE OMEN.

**It is FAVORABLE to FORD the GREAT RIVER. A FAVORABLE OMEN.**

1. yòng zhěng. mǎ zhuàng. jí.

ACT RESCUE. HORSE STRONG. AUSPICIOUS.

**You are RESCUED. The HORSE is STRONG. AUSPICIOUS.**

2. huàn bēn qí jī. huǐ wáng.

FLOW DASH YOUR TABLE. REGRET DISAPPEAR.

**FLOWING water, SPLASHING over YOUR TABLE. REGRETS will DISAPPEAR.**

3. huàn qí gōng. wú huǐ.

FLOW YOUR SELF. NO REGRET.

**Water FLOWING over YOU. NO REGRETS.**

4. huàn qí qún. yuán jí.

FLOW YOUR FLOCK. MAJOR AUSPICIOUS.

**Water FLOWING over YOUR FLOCK. A MAJOR AUSPICIOUS omen.**

huàn yǒu qiū. fěi yí suǒ sī.

FLOW HAVE HILL. NOT SAFE YOUR THOUGHT.

**The FLOWING water REACHES the HILL. YOUR THOUGHTS are of DANGER.**

5. huàn hàn. qí dà háo. huàn wáng jū. wú jiù.

FLOW SWEAT. [PART] GREAT CRY. FLOW KING RESIDENCE. NO HARM.

**The SWEAT is FLOWING. GREAT CRIES sound forth. Water FLOWING over the RESIDENCE of the KING. NO HARM.**

TOP: huàn qí xuè. qù, tì chū. wú jiù.

FLOW [PART] BLOOD. GO, DISTANT EXIT. NO HARM.

**BLOOD is FLOWING. GO, ESCAPE to a DISTANT place! NO HARM.**



60.

Jié

**RESTRAINT**

xxx xxx Water  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx Lake  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx

jié. xiǎng. kǔ jié. bù kě zhēn.  
RESTRAIN. SACRIFICE. BITTER RESTRAINT. NOT CAN DIVINE.

**RESTRAINT. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted. BITTER RESTRAINT. Do NOT engage in DIVINATION.**

1. bù chū hù tíng. wú jiù.  
NOT EXIT DOOR COURTYARD. NO HARM.

**Do NOT DEPART through the COURTYARD by the DOOR. NO HARM.**

2. bù chū mén tíng. xiōng.  
NOT EXIT GATE COURTYARD. INAUSPICIOUS.

**Do NOT DEPART through the COURTYARD by the GATE. INAUSPICIOUS.**

3. bù jié ruò, zé jiē ruò. wú jiù.  
NOT RESTRAIN THUS, THEN LAMENT THUS. NO HARM.

**Those who do NOT practice RESTRAINT WILL LAMENT. NO HARM.**

4. ān jié. xiǎng.  
PEACE RESTRAINT. SACRIFICE.

**PEACEFUL RESTRAINT. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted.**

5. gān jié. jí. wǎng yǒu shàng.  
PLEASANT RESTRAINT. AUSPICIOUS. GO HAVE VALUE.

**PLEASANT RESTRAINT. AUSPICIOUS. GOING forth IS BENEFICIAL.**

TOP: kǔ jié. zhēn xiōng, huǐ wáng.  
BITTER RESTRAINT. OMEN INAUSPICIOUS, REGRET DISAPPEAR.

**BITTER RESTRAINT. The OMEN is INAUSPICIOUS, but REGRETS will DISAPPEAR.**

61.

Zhōng Fú  
**INMOST TRUST**

xxxxxxx Wind  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx Lake  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx

zhōng fú. tún yú jí.  
CENTER TRUST. SWINE FISH AUSPICIOUS.  
**INMOST TRUST. SWINE and FISH are AUSPICIOUS.**

lì shè dà chuān. lì zhēn.  
FAVORABLE FORD GREAT RIVER. FAVORABLE OMEN.  
**It is FAVORABLE to FORD the GREAT RIVER. A FAVORABLE OMEN.**

1. yú jí. yǒu tā, bú yàn.  
WORRY AUSPICIOUS. HAVE OTHER, NOT SWALLOW (BIRD).  
**VIGILANCE is AUSPICIOUS. If you UNDERTAKE EXTRANEOUS affairs, you will LOSE the serenity of SWALLOWS.**

2. míng hè zài yīn. qí zǐ hé zhī.  
CALL CRANE IN SHADE. ITS YOUNG JOIN IT.  
**The CRANE CALLS IN the SHADE. IT is JOINED by ITS YOUNG.**

wǒ yǒu hǎo jué. wú yǔ ěr mí zhī.  
I HAVE GOOD WINE-VESSEL. I WITH YOU POUR IT.  
**I HAVE a GOOD VESSEL of WINE. I will SHARE IT WITH YOU.**

3. dé dí. huò gǔ huò bà. huò qì huò gē.  
GAIN ENEMY. PERHAPS DRUM PERHAPS CEASE. PERHAPS WEEP PERHAPS SING.  
**DEFEATING the ENEMY. PERHAPS there is DRUMMING, PERHAPS the drumming CEASES. PERHAPS there is WEEPING, PERHAPS there is SINGING.**

4. yuè jī wàng. mǎ pǐ wáng. wú jiù.  
MOON NEARLY FULL. HORSE TEAM DISAPPEAR. NO HARM.  
**The MOON is NEARLY FULL. A TEAM of HORSES goes ASTRAY. NO HARM.**

5. yǒu fú luán rú. wú jiù.  
HAVE TRUST TIGHT THUS. NO HARM.  
**There IS SOLID TRUST. NO HARM.**

TOP: hàn yīn dēng yú tiān. zhēn xiōng.  
FEATHER SOUND ASCEND TO SKY. OMEN INAUSPICIOUS.  
**The SOUND of WINGS ASCENDS TO the SKY. The OMEN is INAUSPICIOUS.**

62.

Xiǎo Guò  
**SMALL EXCESS**

xxx xxx      Thunder  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxxxxxx      Mountain  
xxx xxx  
xxx xxx

xiǎo guò.      xiǎng.      lì      zhēn.  
SMALL EXCESS. SACRIFICE. FAVORABLE OMEN.  
**SMALL EXCESS. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted. a FAVORABLE OMEN.**

kě xiǎo shì.      bù kě dà      shì.  
CAN SMALL AFFAIR. NOT CAN GREAT AFFAIRS.  
**You CAN engage in SMALL AFFAIRS. Do NOT engage in GREAT AFFAIRS.**

fēi niǎo yí      zhī yīn.      bù yí      shàng. yí      xià.  
FLY BIRD LEAVE [PART] SOUND. NOT FITTING HIGH. FITTING LOW.  
**The SOUND LEFT behind BY a FLYING BIRD. It is NOT FITTING to go HIGH.  
It is FITTING to stay LOW.**

dà      jí.  
GREAT AUSPICIOUS.  
**A GREAT AUSPICIOUS omen.**

1. fēi niǎo yǐ      xiōng.  
FLY BIRD TAKE INAUSPICIOUS.  
**A FLYING BIRD will BRING ILL FATE.**

2. guò qí zǔ,      yù qí bǐ.  
PASS YOUR GRANDFATHER, MEET YOUR GRANDMOTHER.  
**You PASS by YOUR GRANDFATHER, but MEET with YOUR GRANDMOTHER.**

bù jí qí jūn,      yù qí chén.      wú jiù.  
NOT REACH THE MONARCH, MEET HIS MINISTER. NO HARM.  
**You do NOT REACH THE MONARCH, but MEET with HIS MINISTER. NO HARM.**

3. fú guò: fáng zhī. cóng      huò      qiāng zhī. xiōng.  
NOT PASS: DEFEND HIM. UNDERTAKE PERHAPS KILL HIM. INAUSPICIOUS.  
**Do NOT PASS him by: DEFEND yourself against HIM. PERHAPS UNDERTAKE  
to KILL HIM. INAUSPICIOUS.**

4. wú jiù. fú guò: yù zhī. wǎng lì. bì jiè.  
NO HARM. NOT PASS: MEET HIM. GO DANGER. MUST GUARD.  
**NO HARM. Do NOT PASS him by: MEET with HIM. GOING forth will bring  
DANGER. You MUST be on your GUARD.**

wù yòng. yǒng zhēn.  
NOT ACT. ETERNAL OMEN.  
**Do NOT ACT. An OMEN of ETERNITY.**

5. mì yún bù yǔ, zì wǒ xī jiāo.  
THICK CLOUD NOT RAIN, FROM MY WEST COUNTRYSIDE.  
**THICK CLOUDS WITHOUT RAIN, approaching FROM MY WESTERN FIELDS.**

gōng yì, qǔ bǐ zài xué.  
DUKE STRING-ARROW, GET THAT IN CAVE.  
**The DUKE shoots with the STRING-ARROW, STRIKING the ONE IN the CAVE.**

TOP: fú yù: guò zhī. fēi niǎo lí zhī.  
NOT MEET: PASS HIM. FLY BIRD LEAVE HIM.  
**Do NOT MEET with him: PASS HIM by. FLYING BIRDS LEAVE HIM behind.**

xiōng: shì wèi zāi shěng.  
INAUSPICIOUS: BE CALL CALAMITY ERROR.  
**INAUSPICIOUS: this will BE CALLED a CALAMITOUS ERROR.**

63.

Jì Jì

**AFTER CROSSING THE RIVER**

xxx xxx Water  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx Fire  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx

jì jì. xiǎng. xiǎo lì zhēn.  
ALREADY CROSS-RIVER. SACRIFICE. SMALL FAVORABLE OMEN.

**AFTER CROSSING the RIVER. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted. a FAVORABLE OMEN for SMALL affairs.**

chū jí, zhōng luàn.  
FIRST AUSPICIOUS, END DISARRAY.

**AUSPICIOUS at FIRST, but the END brings DISARRAY.**

1. yè qí lún. rú qí wěi. wú jiù.  
DRAG YOUR WHEEL. WET ITS TAIL. NO HARM.

**You are DRAGGING YOUR WHEELS. The fox gets ITS TAIL WET. NO HARM.**

2. fù sàng qí fú. wù zhú. qī rì dé.  
WOMAN LOSE HER HEADDRESS. NOT PURSUE. SEVEN DAY GAIN.

**The WOMAN LOSES HER HEADDRESS. Do NOT SEEK after it. In SEVEN DAYS it will be FOUND.**

3. gāo zōng fá guǐ fāng. sān nián kè zhī.  
HIGH ANCESTOR ATTACK DEMON PLACE. THREE YEAR CONQUER IT.

**The EXALTED ANCESTOR ATTACKED the PLACE of DEMONS. In THREE YEARS he CONQUERED IT.**

xiǎo rén wù yòng.  
SMALL PERSON NOT ACT.

**The LOWLY PERSON must NOT ACT.**

4. xū yǒu yī rú. zhōng rì jiè.  
COLORFUL HAVE CLOTHES TATTER. END DAY GUARD.

**FINE CLOTHES end up in TATTERS. Until the END of the DAY, be on your GUARD.**

5. dōng lín shā niú,  
EAST NEIGHBOR KILL OX,

**When the EASTERN NEIGHBOR SLAUGHTERS an OX**

bù rú xī lín zhī yuè jì.  
NOT LIKE WEST NEIGHBOR OF SPRING-OFFERING SACRIFICE.  
**the rites are NOT AS splendid as the SPRING SACRIFICES OF the  
WESTERN NEIGHBOR.**

shí shòu qí fú.  
SOLID RECEIVE [PART] GOOD-FORTUNE.  
**There IS GOOD FORTUNE in SOLIDITY.**

TOP: rú qí shǒu. lì.  
WET YOUR HEAD. DANGER.  
**You get YOUR HEAD WET. DANGER.**

64.

Wèi Jì

**BEFORE CROSSING THE RIVER**

xxxxxxx      Fire  
xxx xxx  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx      Water  
xxxxxxx  
xxx xxx

wèi      jì.                      xiǎng.  
NOT-YET CROSS-RIVER. SACRIFICE.  
**BEFORE CROSSING the RIVER. Let a SACRIFICE be conducted.**

xiǎo hú qì      jì,                      rú qí wěi. wú yōu      lì.  
SMALL FOX NEARLY CROSS-RIVER, WET ITS TAIL. NO PURPOSE FAVORABLE.  
**When the SMALL FOX has NEARLY CROSSED the RIVER, it gets ITS TAIL WET.  
There is NO ENDEAVOR that will end FAVORABLY.**

1. rú qí wěi. lìn.  
WET ITS TAIL. MISFORTUNE.  
**The fox gets ITS TAIL WET. MISFORTUNE.**

2. yè qí lún. zhēn jí.  
DRAG YOUR WHEEL. OMEN AUSPICIOUS.  
**You are DRAGGING YOUR WHEELS. The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS.**

3. wèi      jì                      zhēng      xiōng.  
NOT-YET CROSS-RIVER ADVANCE INAUSPICIOUS.  
**BEFORE CROSSING the RIVER it is INAUSPICIOUS for the army to  
ADVANCE.**

lì              shè      dà      chuān.  
FAVORABLE FORD GREAT RIVER.  
**It is FAVORABLE to FORD the GREAT RIVER.**

4. zhēn jí.                      huǐ      wáng.                      zhèn      yòng      fá      guǐ      fāng.  
OMEN AUSPICIOUS. REGRET DISAPPEAR. THUNDER ACT ATTACK DEMON PLACE.  
**The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS. REGRETS will DISAPPEAR. Like a THUNDERCLAP,  
ATTACK the PLACE of DEMONS.**

sān nián, yǒu shǎng yú dà guó.  
THREE YEAR, HAVE REWARD IN GREAT REALM.  
**In THREE YEARS, REWARDS will be OBTAINED IN the GREAT REALM.**

5. zhēn jí. wú huǐ.  
OMEN AUSPICIOUS. NO REGRETS.  
**The OMEN is AUSPICIOUS. NO REGRETS.**

jūn zǐ zhī guāng yǒu fú. jí.  
NOBLE PERSON OF HONOR HAVE TRUST. AUSPICIOUS.  
**There IS TRUST in the HONOR OF the NOBLE PERSON. AUSPICIOUS.**

TOP: yǒu fú yú yǐn jiǔ. wú jiù.  
HAVE TRUST IN DRINK WINE. NO HARM.  
**TRUST is GAINED IN the DRINKING of WINE. NO HARM.**

rú qí shǒu. yǒu fú, shī shì.  
WET YOUR HEAD. HAVE TRUST, LOSE CORRECT.  
**You get YOUR HEAD WET. Though there IS TRUST, you may STRAY from what is RIGHT.**