

Birth Cards: Jacks



Some people, it seems, do not want to grow up and these are the Jacks. There are several perspectives of the Jack, the royal family's youngest member, and all are meaningful. It is significant, clearly, that someday he will be the King. By their very nature, Princes are young, romantic, creative, humorous and even charming. As the Prince he does not have the responsibility and power that results from being King. Furthermore, he does not want to accept responsibility. What they want is a life of fun and play. There is another aspect to consider and that is that Jacks want to be treated respectfully and with admiration. Someday, perhaps, they will themselves become Kings. The life of a Jack is one of growing from being young to being responsible. The Jack can also be a counselor to the King. The problem here is that he places his own interests first. While sitting in the royal court, nevertheless he assumes no actual responsibility for what happens. In general he is a bit dishonest. However he can be creative and clever at keeping his affairs balanced and not getting caught. Bribery is possible if you desire actions influencing the King for you. He is supreme at deception, sneaky and not trustworthy. These essentially are the two perceptions of Jacks. There is a staggering amount of creativity but also there is the temptation to abuse that creative energy in hedonism and selfishness. Jacks can also simply avoid situations that they have a distaste for. As Jacks, sometimes they get in trouble. Overall, the Jack is spiritual and directs energy in a saintly manner rather than being manipulative. In actual fact though, many of these people give in to the misuse of their creative forces. On the other hand Jacks are the initiates of the deck. This normally means ascending a higher plane. An implication of a new beginning results from past ways. Self-realization helps Jacks release their higher qualities. Many overcome their materialism and become more spiritual and less attached to worldly things. This enables them to become facilitators of spiritual love. Jacks have an innate spiritual component representing higher qualities. They are a paradigm of the spiritual life. A large number of Jacks attain this but others are not capable. The pinnacle representation of the Jack is a person who has attained true self-expression; which is a prerequisite for releasing lower qualities. Often times these are powerful and difficult to let go of. A constant challenge is to let go of their tremendous gifts and sink so low that they may, for example, become criminals. They are also particularly adept at lying and can make others believe almost anything. All in all, the life of a Jack is challenging. The secret is for them to look inside themselves rather than using their intelligence and devious minds to get by. The initiation that all Jacks represent is, therefore, one of turning within.