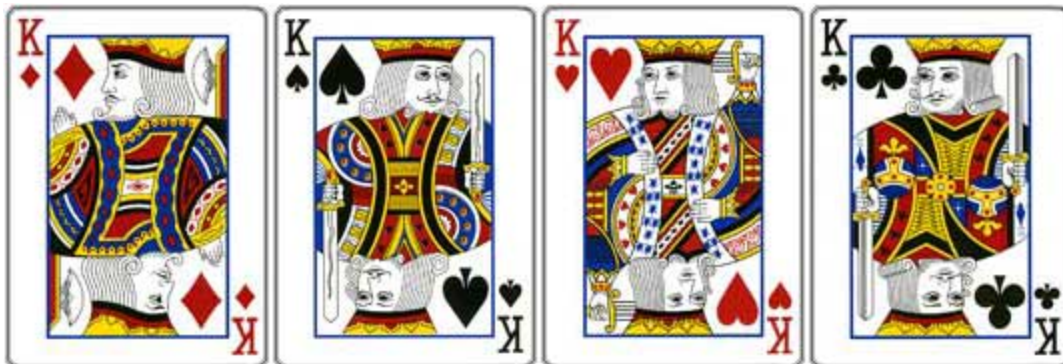


Birth Cards: Kinds



As the masculine pinnacle of power and leadership, the King has the wisdom of experience. He is the final card in the deck and is thus representative of development's final stage. He is therefore the paradigm of a powerful leader. The temptations of power are the main motive for this potential abuse. (See also the Eights because they share power.) Kings have an awareness of the right thing to do, but unfortunately, they do not always carry it out. Such Kings are a disgrace to their symbol. Unfortunately, there will be Kings who are immoral but possess a strong character. On a positive note, the King can learn to not abuse his power as it evolves. Kings are prideful and have an aptitude for leadership. Even those who do not have this characteristic will show some pridefulness and distaste for being told what to do. They often view themselves as special and distinct from others. Some Kings believe they have no power. Many Kings are not aware of their power and the way they are using it. However, a close look shows their stubborn character and persistence. Respect or fear is a common consequence for Kings, but many only need to be aware they are Kings and destined to lead. This is akin to them encountering themselves as Kings. The King of Hearts is very excellent with interpersonal relationships and the King of Clubs possesses great mental powers. The ninth suit defines a King's foremost power. Their powers can be used in numerous endeavors as well as professions. They have a unique ability to know truths and lies. Materialism often means unhappiness though. The King of Spades has internal strength along with wisdom. Others cannot persuade them because they know the truth. The King of Diamonds is the strong, often amoral business operator. If it's a takeover they want, they are capable. Kings are not just males. There are female Kings that have a natural ability to lead but possess a woman's body. They are decisive and aggressive. Some well-known female Kings are Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, Faye Dunaway, Queen Elizabeth II, Janet Jackson, and Bridget Fonda. All are strong leaders. Female Kings must balance the female and male parts pertaining to their personal relationships. Being a King is not easy because of the great responsibility and doing this can take a lifetime. Being King alone is such a huge responsibility that many do not attain greatness. Some are filled with fear and demote themselves or even abdicate. Not many Kings of Spades, for example are prepared to reign. They are the King of Kings and consequently are the most powerful. However, they carry the heaviest burden. Most Kings of Spades feel more comfortable as a Jack or a Queen. Most will fail to achieve their full potential as the most powerful card.