

# Chinese and Western Combinations

## Gemini (Horse) Month

### Combination with Rat Year:

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**"Reflect"** Mercury, Air, Mutable

**"Regulator"** Yin-Positive Water

**Characteristics:** Intellectual Skill, Power, Charisma, Guile, Meddling, Influence, Nervousness, Thirst for Performance, Acquisitiveness, Self-Deception, Dexterity, Inconstancy, Wittedness, Superficiality, Glibness, Impatience, Perspicacity, Versatility, Flexibility, Appeal, Thrift, Verbosity, Quick-Indecisiveness, Sociability



This combination is at once lovely to behold but tiring to watch because of their boundless renewable energy. Think of a personality trait, almost any personality trait, and that is probably something that can be said of the Gemini-Rat. The Gemini-Rat is the social party animal meets genius. This is one of the smoothest and most ego-bound combinations there is. This combination is filled with tales and experiences and some of it is actually true. To see them at a social gathering is to see a brightly colored butterfly who watches everybody's eye and everyone wants the butterfly to land on them. They are generous, yes, almost to a fault. This combination walks the walk and they talk the talk; actually they run and give award-winning speeches. Their huge ego does not get in the way of loyalty, so long as that ego is stroked often, and they can also be extraordinarily responsible. Add heavy doses of humor and a three dimensional personality to the mix and you have a winner. They have probably given away trunk loads of shirts off their backs. They are talented, of course, but they are nice enough to stay away from talent shows because they know they would win them all.

**Romance:** This combination's propensity to play is connected to great skills at seduction. They are extraordinarily enticing. In the end, there is probably a great desire for dominion as much as anything. They are not the dictatorial type, however. Rather they just relish being looked up to. The Gemini-Rat is not without fault. One fault is, perhaps, related to the issue of ego mentioned above. That fault is carried by the Gemini side and relates to infidelity. This combination is not the Rock of Gibraltar in many ways.

**Relationships:** Poor choices for this combination are Virgo, Scorpio, Sagittarius or Pisces-Rabbits. It would be wise also to keep away from Horses but the Aries-Buffalo or Libra-Tiger are okay. Good choices for the Gemini-Rat are Aries, Leo, Libra or Aquarius. Those who are Dragons or Monkeys are the best.

**Family Life:** This combination likes to lead a comfortable life and is willing to work, but they are not happy about home handy-person projects on the weekend. They do not have a home workshop or sewing machine. They are not the primary caregivers of the children but they are happy to play with them and tell them bedtime stories. None of this is particularly negative, but it is particularly Gemini-Rat and that is the only way this combination will function. The Gemini-Rat is a reasonably good family member, but it would be misleading to say they are self-sacrificing. While they are excellent knights in shining armor, protecting their spouse and children from assorted evils, they are not the type who will dedicate their life working two jobs so their child can attend college.

**Likelihood:** This combination is very perceptive and always has a quick and frequently humorous come-back. In spite of their egos, they are very reality based and able to call a spade a spade. Gemini are communicators and that holds particularly true of the Rat variety. They tend to be too easy on themselves, frequently finding excuses for their transgressions, but they are also too easy on others.

**Famous Gemini/Rats:** *Thomas Hardy, John Cheever, Mary McCarthy.*