

Let the computer become
your lifeline to fate through the mysteries of the Tarot

Tarot runs on a Tandy TRS-80 in 16K. By Frank Rowlett



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Something about the mysterious Tarot appeals to even the most sceptical of us. It is one of the ancient arts mankind turned to when superstition held more sway than it does now.

And with its elaborate decorations and air of mysticism, the Tarot pack was always predestined to find favour again in the 20th Century. Whether the secrets of the Tarot can transfer successfully to that fortune teller of our age, the computer, we'll leave you to judge. It is also up to you whether you use the intriguing program as a party piece or give it some deeper significance.

The Tarot pack is the forerunner of modern-day playing cards. There are 78 cards in all, divided into 22 major arcana, or trump-cards, and 56 minor arcana cards, with four suits of 14: cups, coins, swords and wands (or sceptres).

As in a modern pack, there are 10 numbered cards in each suit but there are four face cards: youth, horseman, queen and king (in some packs the knave

and horse

Sorcerer, nature, resent, that en, man, th, that the random forces.

This Tarot Egyptian card "Yes"

The computer enter a question answered by have done deals out five left. The first the past as it tion. The cent represents the last two cards — indicate the

The answer to then determined cards are dealt upside down. At the bottom of each right way up.

A card right side a "yes" response, u



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and knight replace the youth and horseman).

Some believers in the supernatural think that the pack represents a system of philosophy that embraces the true nature of man, the universe and God. And that the fall of the cards is not random but guided by unseen powers.

This Tarot program uses the standard Tarot deck and the five "Yes or No" spread.

The computer first asks you to ask a question that can be answered by yes or no. Once you have done so, the computer deals five cards from right to left. The first two cards indicate how the question relates to the questioner, the centre, or key, card indicates the present and the future — those on the left indicate the past and the future.

The answer to your question is determined by whether the cards fall right side up or left side up. A bar appears at the bottom of each card if it is the

left side up indicates good, upside down it

indicates a "no". The centre card counts twice. When all five cards have been dealt, the tally of "yes"s and "no"s determine the answer. It is possible to have an equal number of these. If this happens the answer is uncertain. This situation is caused by not concentrating properly on the cards or not asking the question sincerely — or possibly, the person who asked the question was concentrating on another question.

At times a man or woman of some astrological temperament is indicated. This does not refer to the questioner's birth sign, but means they are of that sign's temperament.

The gender of the person of astrological temperament referred to is determined by the position of the cards. When right side up, the youth and king cards mean male, upside down, female. With the queen this rule is reversed.

The horseman card indicates either good or bad situations. Right side up it represents good, upside down it indicates bad.

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10 RANDOM: CLEAR 100: DIM A(84)
40 CLS: GOSUB 4000
50 GOTO 40
1000 REM # GET NEXT CARD #
1010 A(D)=RND(78): IFA(D+A(D))=0 GOTO 1010
1020 A(D+A(D))=0: IFA(D)>70 A(D)=10*(A(D)-56)+5: GOTO 1040
1030 V=INT((A(D)-1)/5): A(D)=V*10+10+A(D)-V*5
1040 V=RND(78): IF V>39 A(D)=0-A(D)
1050 RETURN
1100 REM # DRAW LAYOUT #
1110 CLS: PRINT#12, CHR$(34); "YES AND NO"; CHR$(34); " SPREAD USING
TAROT CARDS";
1120 PRINT#522, "FUTURE"; PRINT#540, "PRESENT"; PRINT#562, "PAST";
PRINT#576, " ";
1130 FOR X=0 TO 1: SET(X, 24): SET(X+48, 24): SET(X+52, 24): SET(X+74, 24):
SET(X+78, 24)
1140 SET(X+126, 24): NEXT X: FOR X=1 TO 19: SET(X, 25): NEXT X: FOR X=32 TO 48:
SET(X, 25): NEXT X
1150 FOR X=53 TO 55: SET(X, 25): NEXT X: FOR X=70 TO 74: SET(X, 25): NEXT X
1160 FOR X=79 TO 99: SET(X, 25): NEXT X: FOR X=108 TO 126: SET(X, 25): NEXT X
1170 FOR Z=0 TO 104 STEP 26: FOR X=0 TO 23: SET(X+Z, 4): SET(X+Z, 22): NEXT X: N
EXT Z
1180 FOR Z=0 TO 104 STEP 26: FOR Y=5 TO 21: FOR X=0 TO 1: SET(X+Z, Y): SET(X+Z+2
2, Y): NEXT X: NEXT Y
1190 NEXT Z: PRINT#388, "(5)"; PRINT#401, "(4)"; PRINT#414, "(3)"; PR
INT#427, "(2)";
1200 PRINT#440, "(1)"; PRINT#461, "QUESTION: "; CHR$(34); A$; CHR$(3
4);: RETURN
1500 REM # PRINT CARDS #
1520 FOR V=0 TO 1000: NEXT V: IFS=56 GOTO 1640
1530 PRINT#261+13*(X-1), "OF"; M=322+13*(X-1): IFS=1 PRINT#M, "SCEPT
ERS";
1540 IFS=2 PRINT#M, " CUPS";
1550 IFS=3 PRINT#M, " COINS";
1560 IFS=4 PRINT#M, " SWORDS";
1570 M=194+(X-1)*13: IFR<11 PRINT#M+2, R;: GOTO 1620
1580 IFR=11 PRINT#M, " YOUTH";
1590 IFR=12 PRINT#M, " QUEEN";
1600 IFR=13 PRINT#M, " KING";
1610 IFR=14 PRINT#M, "HORSEMAN";
1620 M=9+(X-1)*26: Y=21: IFA(D)<0 Y=5
1630 FOR V=M TO M+5: SET(V, Y): NEXT V: RETURN

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1640 PRINT@195+(X-1)*13,"MAJOR";:PRINT@258+(X-1)*13,"ARCANUM";
1650 M=323+(X-1)*13:IFR=1PRINT@M," I";
1660 IFR=2PRINT@M," II";
1670 IFR=3PRINT@M," III";
1680 IFR=4PRINT@M," IV";
1690 IFR=5PRINT@M," V";
1700 IFR=6PRINT@M," VI";
1710 IFR=7PRINT@M," VII";
1720 IFR=8PRINT@M," VIII";
1730 IFR=9PRINT@M," IX";
1740 IFR=10PRINT@M," X";
1750 IFR=11PRINT@M," XI";
1760 IFR=12PRINT@M," XII";
1770 IFR=13PRINT@M," XIII";
1780 IFR=14PRINT@M," XIV";
1790 IFR=15PRINT@M," XV";
1800 IFR=16PRINT@M," XVI";
1810 IFR=17PRINT@M," XVII";
1820 IFR=18PRINT@M," XVIII";
1830 IFR=19PRINT@M," XIX";
1840 IFR=20PRINT@M," XX";
1850 IFR=21PRINT@M," XXI";
1860 IFR=22PRINT@M," XXII";
1870 GOTO1620
2000 REM * DATA FOR CARDS *
2010 DATA1,5,WILL POWER
2020 DATA1,1,NEWS OF A BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY
2030 DATA1,2,MODS
2040 DATA1,3,REWARDS
2050 DATA1,4,COMMUNICATION PROBLEMS
2060 DATA2,5,REVELATION THROUGH SCIENCE
2070 DATA2,1,SUCCESS IN BUSINESS VENTURES
2080 DATA2,2,A WORK OF LOVE
2090 DATA2,3,FINANCIAL GAIN THROUGH WORK
2100 DATA2,4,MARTYRDOM AND STRENGTH
2110 DATA3,5,MARRIAGE OR ACTION
2120 DATA3,1,TAKE ACTION FOR THE FUTURE
2130 DATA3,2,ROMANTIC ACTIVITY
2140 DATA3,3,GAIN THROUGH SOCIAL ACTIVITIES
2150 DATA3,4,ACTIVITY TO OVERCOME ADVERSITY
2160 DATA4,5,ABUNDANT CREATIVE ENERGY
2170 DATA4,1,SUCCESSFUL ENTERPRISE
2180 DATA4,2,RESOURCEFULNESS
2190 DATA4,3,UNEXPECTED FINANCIAL GAIN
2200 DATA4,4,FINANCIAL REVERSES
2210 DATA5,5,HELP THROUGH INSPIRATION
2220 DATA5,1,GAIN THROUGH SPECULATION
2230 DATA5,2,RESPONSIBILITY
2240 DATA5,3,PROFITABLE EVENT
2250 DATA5,4,OBSTACLES OVERCOME BY FAITH
2260 DATA6,5,STABILIZE EMOTIONS
2270 DATA6,1,AMBITION
2280 DATA6,2,USE CREATIVE IMAGINATION
2290 DATA6,3,PROFIT FROM SOCIAL AFFAIRS
2300 DATA6,4,TEMPTATION RELATING TO BUSINESS
2310 DATA7,5,SUCCESS THROUGH INTELLIGENCE
2320 DATA7,1,SPREAD OF CONSTRUCTIVE IDEAS
2330 DATA7,2,RESOLUTION OF DOMESTIC DISCORD
2340 DATA7,3,PROFITABLE VENTURE
2350 DATA7,4,PROGRESS AFTER CONFLICT
2360 DATA8,5,MODERATION IN ALL THINGS
2370 DATA8,1,BUSINESS INITIATIVE SUCCESS
2380 DATA8,2,BLEND OF PRACTICAL WITH IDEAL
2390 DATA8,3,FINANCIAL PROBLEMS

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2400 DATA8,4,STRUGGLE TO MAINTAIN BALANCE
2410 DATA9,5,WISDOM AND PRUDENCE
2420 DATA9,1,WISE AND PROFITABLE FRIENDSHIP
2430 DATA9,2,EMOTIONAL STABILITY
2440 DATA9,3,INCREASE OF INCOME
2450 DATA9,4,LOSS OF FRIENDSHIP
2460 DATA10,5,CHANGE OF FORTUNE
2470 DATA10,1,A CHANGE IN STATUS
2480 DATA10,2,INCONSISTANT EMOTIONS
2490 DATA10,3,FINANCIAL LOSS AND GAIN
2500 DATA10,4,UNCONVENTIONAL ACTIONS
2510 DATA11,5,MORAL FORCE,
2520 DATA12,5,DISAPPOINTMENT,
2530 DATA13,5,DEATH OR TRANSFORMATION
2540 DATA14,5,DILIGENCE TO REACH GOAL
2550 DATA15,5,FATALITY OR BLACK MAGIC
2560 DATA16,5,ACCIDENT OR CATASTROPHE
2570 DATA17,5,OVERCOMING PROBLEMS
2580 DATA18,5,DECEPTION,
2590 DATA19,5,HAPPINESS OR JOY,
2600 DATA20,5,AWAKENING OR RESURRECTION
2610 DATA21,5,SUCCESS OR ATTAINMENT
2620 DATA22,5,SUFFERING FOLLOW, SIN
2630 DATA13,1,OF AN ARIES TEMPERAMENT
2640 DATA13,2,OF A TAURUS TEMPERAMENT
2650 DATA13,3,OF A GEMINI TEMPERAMENT
2660 DATA13,4,OF A CANCER TEMPERAMENT
2670 DATA12,1,OF A LEO TEMPERAMENT
2680 DATA12,2,OF A VIRGO TEMPERAMENT
2690 DATA12,3,OF A LIBRA TEMPERAMENT
2700 DATA12,4,OF A SCORPIO TEMPERAMENT
2710 DATA11,1,OF A SAGITTARIAN TEMPERAMENT
2720 DATA11,2,OF A CAPRICORN TEMPERAMENT
2730 DATA11,3,OF AN AQUARIAN TEMPERAMENT
2740 DATA11,4,OF A PISCES TEMPERAMENT
2750 DATA14,1,ADVANTAGEOUS THOUGHTS
2760 DATA-14,1,THOUGHTS OPPOSED TO BUSINESS
2770 DATA14,2,THOUGHTS FOR PROMOTION
2780 DATA-14,2,PLANS AND DESIRES FOR DOWNFALL
2790 DATA14,3,THOUGHTS TO INCREASE PROSPERITY
2800 DATA-14,3,PLOTS FOR UNFAIR ADVANTAGE
2810 DATA14,4,SINCERE THOUGHTS
2820 DATA-14,4,DECEIT AND LIES,
3000 REM * PRINT MESSAGES *
3015 RESTORE:IFX=5PRINT@897,"(1) ";
3020 IFX=4PRINT@833,"(2) ";
3030 IFX=3PRINT@769,"(3) ";
3040 IFX=2PRINT@705,"(4) ";
3050 IFX=1PRINT@641,"(5) ";
3060 IFS=5GOTO3120
3070 IFR>10GOTO3350
3080 READU,V,A,B%
3090 IF(R=U)*(S=V)GOTO3110
3100 GOTO3080
3110 PRINTA%;B%;:RETURN
3120 PRINT*(:;IFR=1PRINT"THE MAGUS";
3130 IFR=2PRINT"VEILED ISIS";
3140 IFR=3PRINT"ISIS UNVEILED";
3150 IFR=4PRINT"THE SOVEREIGN";
3160 IFR=5PRINT"THE HIEROPHANT";
3170 IFR=6PRINT"THE TWO PATHS";
3180 IFR=7PRINT"THE CONQUEROR";
3190 IFR=8PRINT"THE BALANCE";
3200 IFR=9PRINT"THE SAGE";

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3210 IFR=10PRINT"THE WHEEL";
3220 IFR=11PRINT"THE ENCHANTRESS";
3230 IFR=12PRINT"THE MARTYR";
3240 IFR=13PRINT"THE REAPER";
3250 IFR=14PRINT"THE ALCHEMIST";
3260 IFR=15PRINT"THE BLACK MAGICIAN";
3270 IFR=16PRINT"LIGHTNING";
3280 IFR=17PRINT"STAR";
3290 IFR=18PRINT"MOON";
3300 IFR=19PRINT"SUN";
3310 IFR=20PRINT"SARCOPHAGUS";
3320 IFR=21PRINT"ADEPT";
3330 IFR=22PRINT"MATERIALIST";
3340 PRINT" ";GOTO3080
3350 IFR=14GOTO3390
3360 IF((A(L+X)>0)*((R=11)+(R=13)))+(R=12)*(A(L+X)<0))GOTO3380
3370 PRINT"A WOMAN ";GOTO3080
3380 PRINT"A MAN ";GOTO3080
3390 Y=R:IFA(L+X)<0Y=0-Y
3400 READU,V,A$,B$:IF(U=Y)*(S=V)GOTO3110
3410 GOTO3400
4000 REM * START A NEW LAYOUT *
4010 D=0:FORX=1TO78:A(D+X)=X:NEXTX:L=78:FORU=1TO5:GOSUB1000:A(L+
U)=A(D):NEXTU
4020 CLS:PRINT#12,CHR$(34);"YES AND NO";CHR$(34);" SPREAD USING
TAROT CARDS";
4030 PRINT#192,"PLEASE ASK A QUESTION THAT CAN BE ANSWERED BY ";
CHR$(34);"YES";CHR$(34);" ";
4040 PRINT"OR ";CHR$(34);"NO";CHR$(34)
4050 PRINT#320,"";:INPUTA$:PRINT#576,CHR$(34);A$;
4053 IFRIGHT$(A$,1)<>"?"THENPRINT"?";A$=A$+"?"
4056 PRINTCHR$(34)
4060 PRINT#704,"IS THIS YOUR QUESTION (YES OR NO)";:INPUTX$
4070 IFX$="NO"GOTO4020
4075 IFX$="N"GOTO4020
4080 GOSUB1100:FORX=STO1STEP-1:IFX>0PRINT#577,"HIT 'ENTER' FOR C
ARD";:INPUTA$
4083 PRINT#577,"";:A(D)=A(L+X):R=INT(ABS(A(D
))/10):S=ABS(A(D))-10*R
4090 GOSUB1500:GOSUB3000:NEXTX:Y=0:FORX=1TO5:IFA(L+X)>0Y=Y+1
4100 IF(X=3)*(A(L+X)>0)Y=Y+1
4110 NEXTX:PRINT#577,"";:IFY=3PRINT"THE ANSWER IS UNCERTAIN.";
4120 IFY<3PRINT"THE ANSWER IS ";CHR$(34);"NO";CHR$(34);".";
4130 IFY>3PRINT"THE ANSWER IS ";CHR$(34);"YES";CHR$(34);".";
4140 INPUT" (HIT 'ENTER' FOR ANOTHER READING)";A$:RETURN
  
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