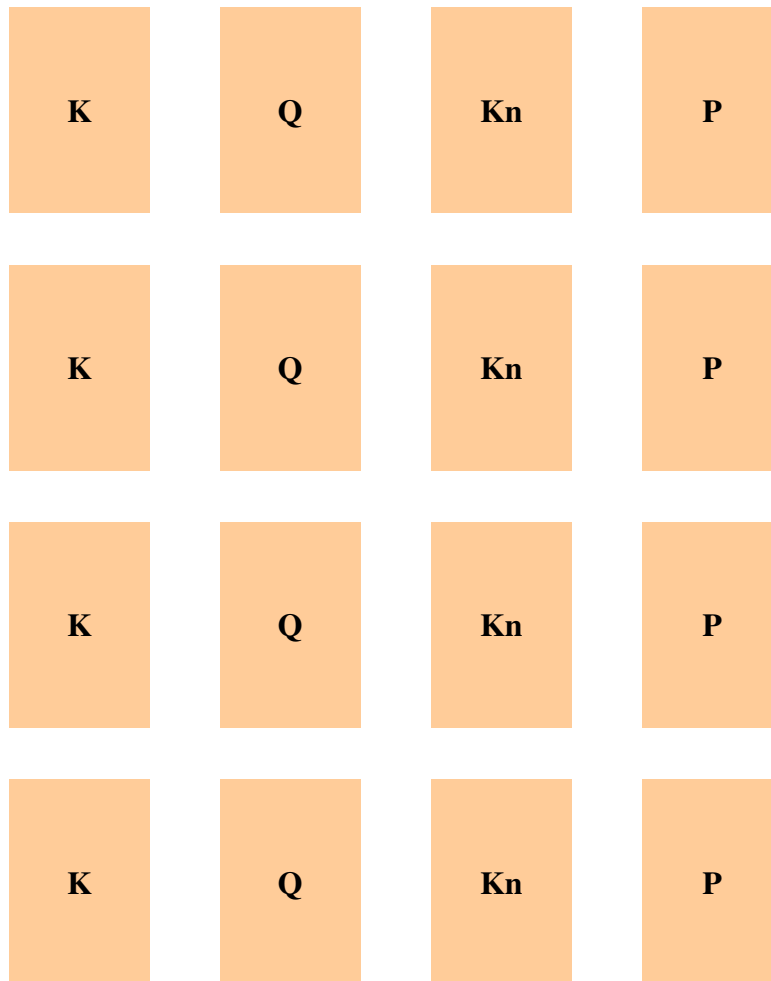
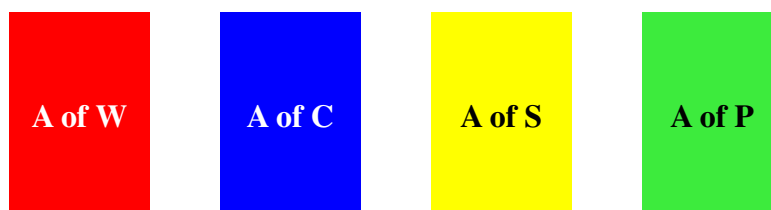


# The “Who Goes There?” Personal Outreach Spread

From time to time, all of us seek another person for a variety of reasons: it could be as a companion in adventure, a friend or lover, a mentor, a business partner or a plumber. Similarly, at times we all seek insight into how we should behave in a particular situation: aggressively, pleasantly, reasonably, conservatively? This spread requires two decks. Lay out all 16 Court cards from Deck #1 in a 4x4 square. It doesn't matter whether they are in any particular sequence.



Decide which of the four Aces best fits the nature of the question. Wands relate to enterprises and active pursuits; Cups correspond to matters of the heart; Swords signify mental initiatives and communication; Pentacles express practical matters like work and finances. The topic could range from an actual person entering the situation to the correct personal stance or attitude to adopt in the circumstances.



Shuffle and cut Deck #2 in the usual way, and deal out the cards on top of the 4x4 Court card layout. It doesn't matter whether any specific order is followed as long as the distribution is fairly even. Stop when the applicable Ace appears on top of one of the Court card packs. The bottom card indicates the type of person or the aspect of character that will appear (or is needed) in response to the inquiry. Is it a man or a woman? Is it an older or younger person? Is it an honest person or a potentially untrustworthy one? Does it show the need for an aggressive or more patient approach to the matter? In the example, a Knight is shown as a possible love interest.

Read the four or fewer cards between the Ace and the underlying Court card as showing the conditions and possible timing of the activity. If the Ace falls immediately on top of the Court, contact is imminent (if your pipes break, you want that plumber there pronto). If there is a preponderance of one suit, element, numerical value, astrological type or deck division in the intervening cards, it could show the ease or difficulty of the contact or individual mode of expression, as well as whether its arrival will be sooner or later. In this regard, Wands and Swords would most likely represent sooner, while Cups and Pentacles would take progressively longer. Similarly, low-numbered cards could indicate swift closure, while high-numbered cards take longer to conclude. A dominant number of Wands could show that the outcome will land in your lap with little effort, while a large number of Pentacles could be "like pulling teeth." A preponderance of Court cards could mean competition for your affections or dollars (or just that you will have a house full of people), while Trump cards bring something unexpected. (If it's the Tower, the contact might be with your insurance provider!)

