

Book of Changes



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Introduction

The Book of Changes is an extension of the *Wheel of Changes*, the third edition of the Zeitatlas. Here, the focus is on the meaning of the hexagrams of the I Ching.

LiSe Heyboers text on the old symbols found on oracle bones is the basis of this book. Her writing offers a fresh interpretation of the ancient book of changes. Her descriptions of the ancient Chinese characters distinguish her text from other writings on the subject.

The coin oracle

The I Ching is a book of intuitive answers to everyday questions. „By throwing coins you take the first step on an irrational path, and you leave the rational one.“ „The I Ching does not tell you what to do; it will help you to tell yourself.“

Get 3 coins. What kind of coins is not important.

Decide which side of them is active, male and bright: yang and which side is feeling, female and mysterious: yin.

Throw the coins and determine the bottom line in the first position. Is one of the coins yin (3) write down a broken line, one yang is a solid line (2). For three yin (3x3=9) coins write down a broken line, three yang (3x2=6) is a solid line, these lines are „changing lines“, which are interpreted depending on their position.

















After throwing the coins six times you receive the six lines of your hexagram.

A hexagram consists of a lower and an upper trigram. On the wheel, in the middle of this booklet, you find the name and number of your hexagram. In the inside of the wheel are the lower trigrams with their names and descriptions, on the outside the upper trigrams leading to the chosen hexagram. I have assigned colours to the eight trigrams with which you can find the corresponding reading. After reading the text you can also switch the „changing lines“ of your hexagram: A broken line changes into a solid, a solid into a broken line. The resulting new hexagram can be read as the „outcome“ of your question.

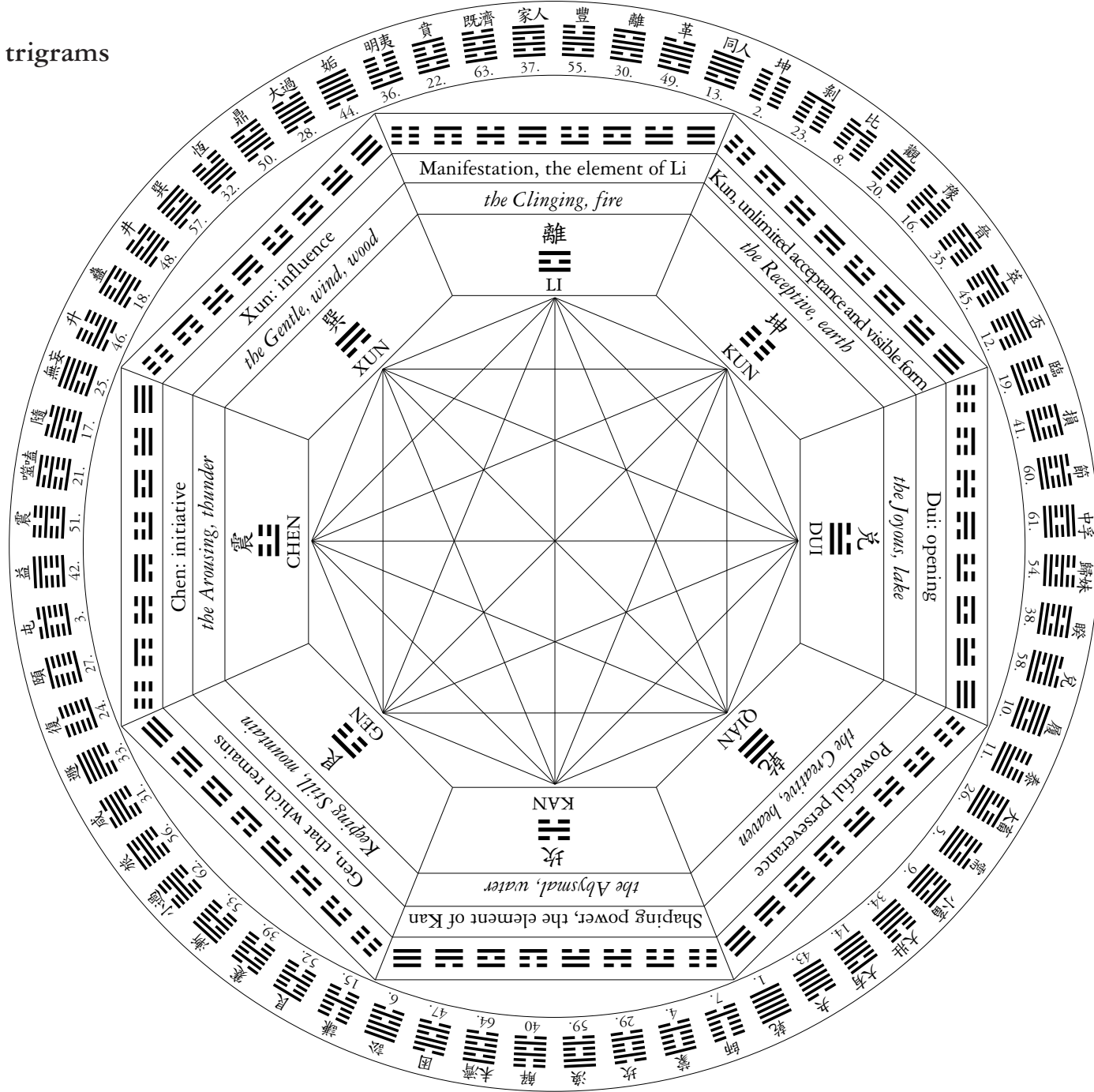
Phrase your question carefully. Do not ask for a solution, ask:

What does fate have in store if I do this - what if I don't.

The trigrams and their colours

							
KUN earth black	GEN mountain purple	KAN water blue	XUN wind/wood green	CHEN thunder yellow	LI fire red	DUI lake orange	QIÁN heaven white
							

Lower and upper trigrams



64 hexagrams

	乾	1. QIÁN <i>Heaven</i>		隨	17. SUÌ <i>Follow without resistance</i>		遯	33. DÙN <i>Save your bacon</i>		革	49. GÉ <i>Skinning</i>
	坤	2. KUN <i>The Energy of Earth</i>		蠱	18. GU <i>Can o' worms</i>		大壯	34. DÀ ZHUÀNG <i>A man of stone</i>		鼎	50. DING <i>The ritual caldron</i>
	屯	3. ZHUN <i>The spark of life</i>		臨	19. LÍN <i>Overseeing</i>		晉	35. Jìn <i>The Gift</i>		震	51. ZHÈN <i>Thunderbolt</i>
	蒙	4. MÉNG <i>Not knowing</i>		觀	20. GUAN <i>The heron</i>		明夷	36. MÍNG YÍ <i>Brightness and leveling</i>		艮	52. GÈN <i>Root</i>
	需	5. XU <i>Waiting for a break in the weather</i>		噬嗑	21. SHÌ KÈ <i>Biting through</i>		家人	37. JIA RÉN <i>Family of man</i>		漸	53. JIÀN <i>The waterwheel</i>
	訟	6. SÒNG <i>The Gong speaks</i>		賁	22. BÌ <i>Flower Power</i>		睽	38. KUÍ <i>Looking askance</i>		歸妹	54. GUIMÈI <i>Marrying maiden</i>
	師	7. SHI <i>Legion, leader</i>		剝	23. BO <i>The wine skin and the knife</i>		蹇	39. JIAN <i>Cold feet</i>		豐	55. FENG <i>Drums of victory</i>
	比	8. BI <i>Stand by</i>		復	24. FÙ <i>Return to your town</i>		解	40. JIÈ <i>Take the horns</i>		旅	56. Lǚ <i>Itinerant troops</i>
	小畜	9. XIAO CHÙ <i>Tending small livestock</i>		無妄	25. WÚ WÀNG <i>Natural</i>		損	41. SUN <i>The empty caldron</i>		巽	57. XÚN <i>The Seal</i>
	履	10. Lǚ <i>The footprints of the ancestors</i>		大畜	26. DÀ CHÙ <i>Raising big cattle</i>		益	42. Yì <i>The bowl of the raingod</i>		兌	58. DUÌ <i>Opening</i>
	泰	11. TÀI <i>Mount Tai</i>		頤	27. YÍ <i>Jaws</i>		夬	43. GUÀI <i>The speaking staff</i>		渙	59. HUÀN <i>The flood</i>
	否	12. Pǐ <i>To say no</i>		大過	28. DÀ GUÒ <i>Across the great pass</i>		姤	44. GÒU <i>Heir</i>		節	60. JIÉ <i>The measure</i>
	同人	13. TÓNG RÉN <i>Mankind</i>		坎	29. XÍ KAN <i>The teachings of danger</i>		萃	45. CUÌ <i>Gathering</i>		中孚	61. ZHONG FÚ <i>Inner sincerity</i>
	大有	14. DÀ YOU <i>Great assets</i>		離	30. LÍ <i>To catch the bird of brightness</i>		升	46. SHENG <i>Step by step</i>		小過	62. XIAO GUÒ <i>Across the small pass</i>
	謙	15. QIAN <i>Give and take</i>		咸	31. XIÁN <i>Affect and affection</i>		困	47. KÚN <i>Enclosed tree</i>		既濟	63. JÍ JÌ <i>Already across</i>
	豫	16. YÙ <i>Weaving images</i>		恆	32. HÉNG <i>Steady the helm of the beard</i>		井	48. JING <i>The well</i>		未濟	64. WÈI JÌ <i>Not yet across</i>

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