

Horoscopes by Holiday: Week of March 8

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Mercury, the messenger planet, enters Pisces, the realm of spirit, bringing up topics of faith and mysticism. There are some who will experience sudden insight this week and determine it to be divinely inspired. Others will be more practical about their flashes of intuition and assume that these experiences are merely a merging of facts that finally fit together to create a feeling of enlightenment. To which camp do you belong?

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You've been lending your talents to the one who needs them most, or the highest bidder. Unfortunately, your joy has somehow drained out of the transaction. Take the time to use your gifts for your own benefit and in a way that will make you happy. An hour a day is scarcely enough, but would be a remarkable start.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It falls on you to make sure everyone feels respected and important. You don't have to invent ways of doing this. Consult the etiquette books. It feels great to make a proper introduction, give a gracious compliment or perform as a consummate host. Your social success affects all other areas of your life.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You are sensitive to change that may or may not affect you, like the wind changing directions or a loved one changing his or her mind. Breathe through the edgier feelings. Find a way to relax. The most important thing is that you don't worry. Imagine the best outcome and dwell on that thought until it comes.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll be thinking and acting creatively to solve problems. Your style might be too hard to follow for some. You see the rules as merely guideposts, while someone you are working with sees them as ironclad law. Your best bet is to quietly do your own thing, and if necessary you can always ask for pardon later.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Keep it simple. You are worthy of love and adoration just as you are. There is no need to work hard to impress anyone. When you find yourself making a vigorous effort, consider whether you are doing what's best for all. Give yourself plenty of caring attention and the rocky road of life suddenly smoothes out before you.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS: You will be admirably reflective this year, unafraid to look within yourself to clear the ideas that held you back from the things you wanted in years before. Your commitment to a special person will give you a tremendous sense of purpose and fill your days with joy. There's a good reason to travel in April. Friends and laughter fill June. July brings a financial breakthrough, possibly related to using your talents in a different way. Family reunions and additions are featured in the late summer.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Talk to upbeat colleagues and choose happy friends. A person who gets huffy over the slightest social infraction or stays silently, obviously mad is not a person you need to get involved with. Avoid those who use a theatrical display of feelings to punish others and you will stay immune to their emotional tyranny.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Attitude has everything to do with how relationships play out. Loved ones may get demanding. The real reason behind their requests is that they need assurance of your loyalty. Make a big gesture. Don't let pride get in the way of your enthusiasm. Be effusive. Show your love and you won't have to do much else.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Many will come to you with their problems – you'll wonder whether you should go into the business of therapy! Psychically shield yourself from getting too involved. Your objective, unemotional responses will be helpful. As for your own issue, the answer is right in front of you – you just weren't seeing it before.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Unexpected twists might startle you at first, but don't let anything stop you from generating positive energy. Thursday, stay cool even when the whole world seems to be running late. A premium opportunity goes to you just because you're more present to the moment than the others around you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Sometimes your role as the ultra-responsible hard worker gets a little boring for you. You fantasize what it would be like to be a creative slacker, a loveable goof or a foolish romantic. There will be opportunities to experiment with different roles this week. Expect an enlightened outcome when you do.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Yes, there are times when it really does seem that you can have and do it all. Those winning streaks are made possible by the lessons you learn when it's not going so smoothly, and also by the breaks you take to relax and reflect. Demand less of yourself. Cut your to-do list in half. Get more help.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Ennui sets in, and this is actually quite positive. It helps you raise the stakes and play life in a bigger arena. Whatever it was you were looking forward to, it probably wasn't enough. Juice up your rewards. Commit to scarier challenges. Ultimately, you create amazing momentum toward your goals this week.

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