

Horoscopes by Holiday: Week of April 12

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It's the last week of Aries, and there is still a spark of initiation in the air. Act on those impulses to try something new, reach out to someone you don't know and go where you've never been. Easter happens under an adventurous Sagittarian moon, fueling a quest for fresh horizons. At the end of the week, Venus changes direction. She's been traveling retrograde and will finally give us a break and smooth out the road to love.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). When you give as much as you do to an endeavor, it's challenging to stay unattached to the outcome. However, you will notice this week that you can't control everything and that you wouldn't want to anyway. Stress goes away because you resolve to do your part and then let go. Life will surprise and awe you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). What would you like to see happen in your relationships that would make you feel loved? Figure it out and give it to yourself instead of waiting for another person to provide it. Others will soon echo your fine treatment of yourself, contributing the things that bring you comfort, security and pleasure.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Between your family, work, faith, friends and community, you are involved in many different social circles. One group stands out as being extremely important and enjoyable lately. You would miss it if it weren't a part of your life. Do everything you can to be an effective member of that team.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). If you don't understand why people behave as they do, you're not alone. You'll have to work extra hard at listening in order to set things right with the world. One loved one in particular is having a difficult time communicating. You'll hear his person clearly when you do not anticipate what is going to be said.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). If you find yourself obsessing on the way others are acting, it's a sign that you need to do what's necessary to change your focus. Maybe you need to have a talk, change your agreements or decide on a different kind of relationship. Do what needs doing, and do it quick. Don't let problems fester. Handle them fast.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS: Your ambitions will be embraced by the powers that be. You are apt to think of ways to help other people succeed, and in the process you will be promoted. Lucky events happen after you attend a seminar, convention or exposition. You'll get to know an intriguing someone in June. Your priorities shift in the fall, and you may decide that you need to relocate or retrain in order to pursue new horizons.

Celebrations in August, October and December will be sweetly memorable.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll be part of a team. You must rely on both your offense and defense. Stay aware of each person's talents. There is a delicate balance here. Seize your chance to be the star, but only when you're sure it's your turn. Realize when to back down and let your teammate make the winning move.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There are certain rules that you follow, even though you have no idea what purpose your compliance will serve. You will be filled with curiosity this week, and you might be moved to pursue a better understanding of the structures by which you blindly abide. What you learn will help you to act with greater purpose.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'd like to discuss where a relationship is headed. You may be worried that the other person will be surprised by your feelings and not in a good way. Put off this conversation until next week – you'll understand your heart more clearly then. Concentrate on treating yourself well. Everything will resolve for the best.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The people who are supposed to be in your support system may seem to have the opposite effect, draining your energy. Try not to take on too much. Be a little more selfish with your time, doing the things you want to do. After you make yourself happy, you'll find that you like other people better.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You're fascinating, it's true. Your friends, family and colleagues will ask you for more juicy details about your life this week, and you'll come up with one tantalizing story after another. It's important that you reciprocate social generosity. Be careful not to imagine that your travails are the only important ones.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It would be prudent to imagine the history of a relationship in a new light. Things haven't always been smooth. Think about what your sign mate Pulitzer Prize winner Wallace Stegner once wrote: "Most things break, including hearts. The lessons of life amount not to wisdom, but to scar tissue and callus."

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You could be caught in a power struggle. To come out a winner in this one it will be necessary to see the situation from the other person's perspective. Figure out what he or she is afraid of and also what really might be gained. Reduce your opponent's fear, and he or she will soften. You prevail through compassion.

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