

## 35 The Chakra Energy Court Cards

In traditional Tarot decks there are 16 Court Cards. Usually they consist of 4 Kings, 4 Queens, 4 Knights, and 4 Pages. Sometimes the pages are princesses so that the Court cards are equally male and female.

The Court cards arose during the Middle Ages when the society had a feudal hierarchy based on fealty, an oath of loyalty that a person took to a member of a higher echelon of the hierarchy pledging loyalty in return for some acknowledgement and support from the higher level. So a king swore fealty to the emperor, and a knight swore fealty to a king. A page owed fealty to the knight he served, and so on. The fealty usually involved agreement to provide military service to the higher lord in case the lord was threatened in some way.

In modern society we may interpret the Court cards as various family members or social roles. A king could be the owner of a business or head of a family. A queen could be a lady head of a household or a woman of power and influence in society. A knight might be a professional person such as a doctor or lawyer, or perhaps a business manager. The page could represent a young person, either male or female, just beginning a career, full of dreams about what he or she might become. A page was like an apprentice learning a trade. Now it might be a student or an intern. Qualities of a page are youth, service, devotion, attention, and contemplation. Helpful additional qualities are creativity, sensitivity, inspiration, and enthusiasm for a chosen path in life.

A knight is mature in his chosen path. He has experience and skills as a professional, but is usually not yet ready to become a leader in society, so he still follows the path he has chosen. He is strong and determined, setting an example for his followers. He acts as a facilitator between the top leader and the masses that follow. So he is an excellent manager. I think of a knight as an excellent boy scout. He is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent. You will find these qualities in the best of the Knights of King Arthur's Round Table.

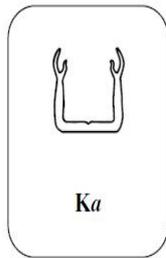
A king is a leader who has mastered his own path in life and then emerged as an executive with the ability to manage large groups of people effectively. He has authority and people naturally respect him. A queen may be the life partner of a king or could be an independent female leader of society with the same essential qualities as a king.

In the Senet Tarot of Ancient Egypt the kings represent the “sons of Horus” and are the four basic states of energy within matter: solid, liquid, gas, and plasma. The queens are the four sensory channels by which we can experience the various states of matter. They are presented in the deck as handsome young males, but could also be beautiful females.

The other eight Court cards represent specific energy functions in the human body. They also occur in a similar fashion in other living organisms, because they organize the energy that keeps an organism alive as an individual and as a species. The ancient Egyptians had special names for these energies and associated them with specific locations in the body even though each of the energies extends throughout the whole body. The specific location is an area called a chakra (vortex) in the body where that energy is especially strong. We will introduce the eight chakra energies in an “ascending” order according to the traditional locations of the vortex centers. So we have to reverse the order as shown in the text below, but it does not matter, because each chakra governs the whole body in the role of its particular energy. Our bodies are like a committee of oligarchs that must agree on an agenda and cooperate in order for the body as a whole to function in a healthy manner. People who are often confused or have a “multiple personality disorder” are like that because their committee is unable to come to an agreement about the agenda to follow.



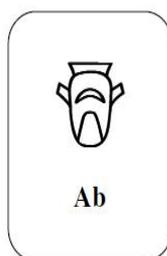
The Khat is the physical body made of bones and flesh, and skin. It must stay in a reasonable flexible and working order so that we can use it to carry on our lives. It is concentrated in the buttocks where we sit on the ground or on a seat. It gives our body structure.



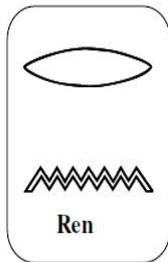
The Ka is the electromagnetic energy that flows in the nerves. It keeps the organs in touch with each other and with the brain. It senses what is going on in the environment and sends signals to the muscles to initiate movement of our limbs. It is concentrated in the genital area, because that energy must move in a great wave to create new life in the form of offspring.



The Sekhem is the chemical body. Its center of operation is the belly where it directs the process of digesting food and distributing it to all parts of the body to keep us fueled and supplied with proper nutrition for building and repairing cells and tissues. We make decisions down in the gut based on the amount of energy available and our judgment of whether or not it is sufficient to handle a situation. This leads to the “fight or flight” response in crisis situations.



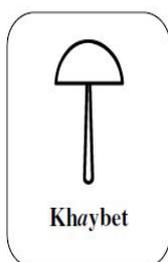
The Ab is the heart that pumps blood through the circulatory system. It is virtually an autonomous system, and delivers the gas exchange and nutrition, plus lots of subtle chemical signals throughout the body. It also carries away waste products from the various parts of the body for excretion, mostly as urine. The heart is a balancing organ in the middle of the body.



The Ren is our vocal apparatus. It uses the air we breathe to vibrate little strings of tissue in our throat so that we can make sounds. This enables us to communicate through speech. With speech we can expand our judgments made in the gut into an influence that may align others to join in the fight or the flight or some more moderate approach.

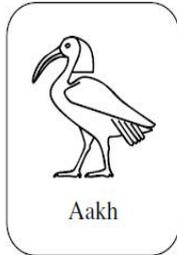


The Ba rides on the breath that comes and goes through the nose and passes up through the brow. This energy connects into the brain and governs the flow of thoughts we have when we consider our options regarding any situation in life. Management of the breath is a very advanced science that the ancients studied, and that is gradually coming back into recognition as a critical part of our ability to function as a higher organism. It begins to unlock spiritual qualities within the body's local energies.



The Khaybet is known as the "crown" chakra and constitutes the hidden and invisible process of subtle thinking that goes on deep in the brain. It is best accessed by closing the eyes but not falling asleep. During deep meditation and contemplation the thoughts can become very refined and subtle -- not with regard to their contents, but with regard to their energy level. Thoughts require energy. As a person gains the ability to entertain thoughts at a level of energy that becomes very faint, there is a threshold beyond which thought no longer sustains itself as an impulse and the mind settles into pure awareness without

any thought content. At this point the awareness of the individual becomes no longer limited to functioning within the boundaries of the physical body. It becomes a subtle electromagnetic vibration that can exist within or beyond the physical body. This is called the Light Body.

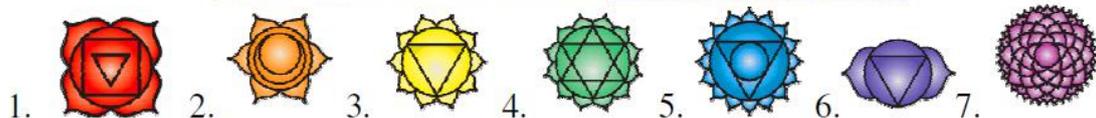


The eighth chakra energy is the Light Body. It is electromagnetic energy that is not localized in a particular physical body, although it can also function there. When a physical body disintegrates at death, the seven physical chakras can no longer sustain their energy patterns that uphold life in the organism. They scatter away from the body and are dispersed into the environment. The Light Body by its own nature is adapted to functioning inside or outside of a physical body. The ancient Egyptians developed techniques to foster skills at operating in the Light Body so that after death they could continue to function without a physical body. They could then deliberately choose where to locate their Light Bodies and select new vehicles (organic or otherwise) through which to operate. When a person dies with no knowledge or skill in managing the eighth chakra, they usually just wander off confused without a body and eventually settle down some place else willy nilly and start out learning about life again. Those with some training in Light Body technology can reawaken it earlier in life and continue to evolve as Light Beings.

Each one of the eight chakra vortex energies is of great importance for a person to live a healthy and successful life. Mastery of the Light Body technology is essential for those who reach for higher callings and begin to follow a Life Mission that extends beyond the boundaries that limit a single living organism's physical body. It also leads to a life of total security and happiness, because there is purpose in a life that is in tune with the larger Cosmos which is the Higher Self of every individual.

### The Sanskrit Chakra Signs and Names:

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1. Muladhara
2. Swadhisthana
3. Manipura
4. Anahata
5. Vishuddha
6. Ajna
7. Sahasrara

I am not very familiar with Tibetan Buddhism, but I notice that they have 8 special symbols that, to my mind, nicely match the 8 chakra energies. They are in a sequence that seems to match the chakras. Just for fun and study, here they are.



Contemplate these beautiful archetypal images by Christopher J. Flynn at [Wikipedia](#), "Ashtamangala". They are yantras.

The 8 Chakra Energies are 8 fundamental disciplines in the ancient Egyptian Shedy training program. In parentheses I include the Chinese trigram symbol for the discipline.

Khat is *asana* training -- body postures for flexibility and health (Kun).

Ka is tantric *bandha* training of strength to effortlessly master and sublimate the sexual energy and electromagnetic motor coordination of the body into a spiritual energy (Zhen).

Sekhem is *mudra*, the mastery of inner signals that direct the flow of energy into reality. It is the flow of life energy as water in the body (Kan).

Ab is *yantra*, the art of archetypal symbols, the chakra wheel being the basic pivot point of the body's energy. It is fire and light (Li)

Ren is *mantra*, the science of sound arising from the moist swamp of the throat to command the order of things (Ze).

Ba is *pranayam*, the science of breath to manage the flow of thoughts in the conscious mind (Sun).

Khaybet is *dhyan*, the technology of meditation for reducing the energy of thought flow until it merges into pure awareness, the invisible shadow beyond and behind all forms (Gen).

Aakh is *siddhi*, the perfection of existence as pure light, the perfect essence of being and creativity (Qian). By itself it is invisible awareness.

## 35 Study Questions

Many people can actually feel the electromagnetic fields surrounding these active energy vortices in and near the body. Our hands are very sensitive. You can practice scanning your own chakra energies, or, with permission, can scan another person's chakras. You do not need to touch the body. Just hold your most sensitive hand near the focal point of the chakra energy, and you may be able to feel the EM field associated with the energy. Slight movements of the hand will often increase the sensation, because interaction of magnetic fields (your hand also has a magnetic field) generates tiny electric currents in the nerves. The field extends a little way outside the body, so slight movements in the field generate the currents in your hand. A person being scanned may also feel your hand moving in the vicinity of the chakra area. A little practice can increase your sensitivity to such field interactions.

The area just above the crown chakra and even around the skull often has quite a noticeable field, because the brain has so many active nerves that make its magnetic field strong.

It is also possible to see auras, usually as a very subtle blueish whitish glow around parts of the body. To see this energy it is best to be in a very dimly lit room and use a plain white wall as a background. The

energy is usually most visible close to the skin. The hands and fingers have strong fields that may be slightly visible. Holding fingers close to touching may allow a person to see the fields interact. The sense of touch often allows a person to link fields in the hands and stretch them some distance. This can be done with a partner.

Our vision is sometimes able to see auric glow in total darkness even with the eyes covered with a mask or cloth of some kind. You can move your hands in front of your face with fingers spread and will see ghostly images of your separate fingers as they pass by your eyes. Martial arts masters and ninjas are often able to sense people or motions behind them even at some distance.

Our bodies have remarkable abilities that are often dulled by the comforts of modern living. Before electric lighting people could move through dark forests with very sensitive night vision. These skills can be reawakened with a little practice.