

# BLACK CAT ORACLE CARDS



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## WELCOME TO BLACK CAT ORACLE CARDS

Based on the traditions of LENORMAND, a centuries-old form of divination, BLACK CAT ORACLE CARDS are the original creation of artist Christopher Gendron. Each of his evocative pen and ink drawings leads us into the magical realm of mystery and revelation. Our guide for this journey is the BLACK CAT, a creature of enigma and allure.

As the companion of a very special black cat called Max, Christopher Gendron also honors Max's memory by invoking her presence in the creation of this deck.

So now- hold the cards in your hands. Open your heart and allow the magic of the BLACK CAT to guide you toward wisdom and clarity as you travel the path of life.

### History of Lenormand

The oracle cards known as Lenormand have their origins in the European playing cards of the 1700's. These early playing cards were first associated with games of chance, and later developed into fortune telling systems called cartomancy. The earliest versions of the Lenormand cards are believed to be derived from

a German card game/fortune telling system called “The Game of Hope” (Der Spiel der Hoffnung).

Spreading over to France as the “Petit Jeu” (Small Game), these cards became popularized as a divinatory system by **Marie Anne Lenormand**. Renowned as the “Sybille of the Salons” for her psychic abilities, she reportedly gave card readings to such famous figures as Robespierre, Napoleon Bonaparte, his wife Empress Josephine and Tsar Alexander I of Russia.

Madame Lenormand was said to use a custom-made version of “Petit Jeu” cards, but it wasn’t until after her death in 1843, that the name Lenormand was ascribed to this popular cartomancy system.

## Getting Started

### Getting to Know the Cards

The Lenormand deck consists of 36 cards, each bearing a symbolic image. These images are simple and straightforward, depicting characters, animals and objects that are commonly recognized. Because of the every-day nature of the pictures, Lenormand deals more directly with tangible, real life situations and concerns, rather than deep psychological or esoteric concepts.

The cards can be used to predict what will happen

in a particular area of one’s life, how a relationship will turn out, job and money issues, how certain events will unfold, and more.

Lenormand is particularly good at divining specific issues on a practical level, but it is also able to offer nuanced clues around underlying energies at work in the deeper realms.

### Key Words and Meanings for Each Card

Tradition offers core associations for the cards and their images. Here is a brief list of the concepts related to each.

#### **1. RIDER (9 of Hearts): Energy, Activity, Movement, Speed, News, Arrival**

**RIDER** indicates forward momentum, new situations arriving. No more delays. Things are happening quickly, so be ready to seize the moment. A lot of energy is available now, so be sure you are headed in the direction you want to go.

#### **2. CLOVER (6 of Diamonds): Luck, Good Fortune, Opportunity, Feeling Happy, Lighthearted**

**CLOVER** brings luck and good fortune – usually unexpected and in the short term. A happy

coincidence. Serendipity. Take advantage of this moment's good feelings because it may not be long lasting.

### **3. SHIP (10 of Spades): Departure, Farewell, Distance, Travel, Journey, an Actual Ship or Vehicle**

**SHIP** is about travel, long or short journeys, and the experiences associated with these. You could be about to embark on a journey which takes you to uncharted places, either physical or mental. It can also denote the departure of someone close to you.

In business, it may show that your "ship has come in" and the hard work is about to pay off. It can also represent an actual vehicle of transport.

### **4. HOUSE (King of Hearts): Home, Stability, Security, Tradition, Privacy, an Actual House or Real Estate**

**HOUSE** can be about where you live, your home and/or your living situation. On one hand, **HOUSE** can represent security, stability, comfort and safety. On the other hand, it can represent privacy to the point of isolation, feeling closed off, being moored in family traditions that cause barriers and limitations. It can also be related to a real estate deal or an actual house.

### **5. TREE (7 of Hearts): Steady Growth, Healing and Health - Both Physical and Spiritual, Grounding, Roots, Past Connections, Family Legacy**

**TREE** is about life, growth and health on all levels. The roots reflect the past; reminding us of that which has come before us, and of that which grounds and nourishes us. The branches indicate continued growth in new directions – reaching toward health and wholeness. **TREE** can also relate to our family histories, legacies or inheritances and how they are affecting us now.

### **6. CLOUDS (King of Clubs): Confusion, Uncertainty, Misunderstanding, Depression, Secrets, Storms**

**CLOUDS** denotes lack of understanding or ability to see a situation clearly. Outcomes are uncertain, and decisions are difficult to make. This is not a good time to make important decisions. This confusion, however, is temporary. Like the clouds in the sky, the uncertainty will eventually disperse, and clarity and understanding will become more available if you are patient.

### **7. SNAKE (Queen of Clubs): Deception, Betrayal, Hidden or Forbidden Knowledge, Untrustworthiness, Seduction, Trouble**

**SNAKE** represents someone or a situation that

is dangerous- slick, slippery, manipulative or underhanded. Hidden things are revealed. Trouble is at hand, likely in the form of betrayal or lies. SNAKE can also indicate someone who is changeable – unpredictable and untrustworthy at worst, flexible at best. It can also relate to actual pipes, drains or sewers.

#### **8. COFFIN (9 of Diamonds): Endings, Illness, Loss, Grief, Funeral**

**COFFIN** is about finality, something coming to an end. This brings about a sense of sadness and loss, especially when associated with illness or death. However, **COFFIN** is also about letting go of that which needs to be released – ending a negative situation or relationship and creating space for the new.

#### **9. BOUQUET (Queen of Spades): Beauty, Blessings, Gifts, Appreciation, Healing**

**BOUQUET** is a token of blessings and gifts. You are appreciated and loved. Healing and improvement are on the way. Expect a pleasant gift, compliment or blessing from someone or from a situation that matters to you.

#### **10. SCYTHE (Jack of Diamonds): Cutting, Hasty Decision, Abrupt Finish, Reckoning, Surgery**

**SCYTHE** indicates a quick, sometimes rash action or decision that brings an ending to a situation. This includes cutting or hurtful words that can't be revoked. Sarcasm, insults, quick temper and impulsive actions with dire results. "Enough is enough". **SCYTHE** can also relate to accidents or actual medical surgeries.

#### **11. WHIP (Jack of Clubs): Hard Times, Challenges, Hard Work, Arguments, Conflict, Opposition**

**WHIP** is about dealing with difficult situations or relationships. Conflict and arguments abound. There is unrelenting hard work – physically, mentally and emotionally. Sometimes **WHIP** can indicate that we are pushing ourselves too hard, and expecting much more from ourselves than is possible or healthy.

#### **12. BIRDS (7 of Diamonds): Conversation, Discussion, Gossip, Excitement, Anxiety, Multiple Opinions/Perspectives**

**BIRDS** bring the energy of groups talking, discussing, chattering. This evokes the excitement of perspectives and opinions being exchanged, but also the worry and anxiety of being misunderstood or ridiculed. **BIRDS** can indicate the positive potential inherent in sharing thoughts and ideas with groups, but also the possibility for back-biting and gossip.

**13. CHILD (Jack of Spades): Beginnings, Childhood, a Child, Fresh Perspective, Inexperience**

**CHILD** indicates a beginning, the start of something new and/or looking at things with fresh eyes. This is a promising beginning, but still very much in the potential state. It is not yet stable or certain in regards to the future. This new beginning will require nurturing and attention in order to thrive. It can also mean an actual child or parts of your childhood that need to be considered or revisited.

**14. FOX (9 of Clubs): Clever, Cunning, Sly, Trickery, Work/Jobs, Survival**

**FOX** comes with a caution. It can indicate someone who has no scruples in the pursuit of their own needs or advancement, with little concern for others who are near to them. **FOX** also relates to finding or creating jobs when employment is desired – sometimes doing “whatever it takes”. In certain stuck situations, **FOX** may be the person who uses their cunning and intelligence to shift or handle things “behind the scenes” without creating a direct confrontation.

**15. BEAR (10 of Clubs): Power, Authority, Leader/Boss, Money, Finances, Control**

**BEAR** is the one in charge. Usually this is a very

strong leader who is often controlling. **BEAR** is good at creating prosperity and financial stability, but can be short-tempered and domineering – “throwing one’s weight around”. **BEAR** can also relate to physical body weight and weight gain or loss.

**16. STARS (6 of Hearts): Inspiration, Optimism, Achievement, Spiritual Growth, Dreams**

**STARS** indicates progress toward our dreams and goals, especially those rooted in our spiritual or authentic selves. With **STARS**, we can trust that we are on the right path and are well on the way to realizing our true heart’s desires. Listen to your dreams for inspiration and wisdom. Keep a positive outlook – your goals are within reach.

**17. STORK (Queen of Hearts): Change, Transition, Cycles, Starting Again, Longing**

**STORK** is about the changes that happen as we move from one out-moded way of being to a fresh way. It can mean a new job, new partnership or new living arrangements that come when current situations become untenable. It can also be about starting a new phase of life, such as reaching adulthood, children leaving home, retirement, etc. **STORK** can also indicate pregnancy.

### **18. DOG (10 of Hearts): Loyalty, Friendship, Support, Allies, Faithfulness**

**DOG** is the loyal friend, the good support, the ones you can trust. It represents a person or people who fulfill these roles. It can also mean a situation that can be trusted to support you and bring friends and allies to you. This friend or support is long-lasting and will withstand any hardships along the way.

### **19. TOWER (6 of Spades): Corporations, Authority, Status, Arrogance, Isolation (usually self-imposed)**

**TOWER** relates to official matters and authoritarian situations or entities, such as corporations or high status organizations and people. **TOWER** indicates a kind of arrogance that builds walls around itself, resulting in a particular kind of isolation. There is a sense of being above all of the “small things”, being overly important and so having the ability to control people or situations.

### **20. GARDEN (8 of Spades): Groups, Community, Networking, Teamwork, Public Affairs, Social Life**

**GARDEN** denotes all things related to groups of people, community endeavors or events. Being in the public eye, gathering community resources

to you and expanding your social life can all be indicated by **GARDEN**. It is a token of the good things that can come when groups come together for a common goal. It can also indicate a time to step out and be seen. Speak up publicly for something important.

### **21. MOUNTAIN (8 of Clubs): Obstacles, Challenges, Struggle, Slow or Delayed Progress, Problems**

**MOUNTAIN** presents hard going and difficult hurdles to be overcome. Progress is possible, but it is likely to be slow, delayed and/or fraught with problems and road blocks. It may be time to reconsider the situation at hand. Is this really worth all of the challenges that will need to be faced, or is it time to choose a different path? Good things can be won through hard work, but sometimes we find ourselves pushing against all odds for something that is not meant to be.

### **22. CROSSROAD (Queen of Diamonds): Choices, Decisions, Opportunities, Hesitation, Separation, Travel**

**CROSSROAD** means it's time to make a choice. Maybe new opportunities are being presented. Perhaps it's time to change your trajectory in a life situation, such as work or partner or living situation. It can represent actually traveling to a new location and the separations that come with

such a change. It's important to consider carefully and take time to make wise decisions. Avoid being too hasty if possible.

**23. MICE (7 of Clubs): Losses, Dwindling, Deficiency, Anxiety, Troubles, Stress**

**MICE** nibble away at things, causing loss and depletion. This can be related to finances, health or relationships. Stress and anxiety are a part of this card – often accompanying the perceived loss and depletion that is being experienced. The situation is likely to continue getting worse. Time to consider a way out.

**24. HEART (Jack of Hearts): Love, Romance, Caring, Compassion, Generosity, Relationship**

**HEART** represents all that is associated with loving, full-hearted connections and relationships. It can be the strengthening of an existing relationship or the growth and burgeoning of a new one. **HEART** is joyful and up-lifting, but it's important to remember that love needs careful nurturing and tending in order to stay strong.

**25. RING (Ace of Clubs): Commitment, Partnerships, Marriage, Promise, Contracts, Obligations**

**RING** indicates a commitment being sealed. This

can be a marriage or marriage proposal. It can also be about business partnerships, employment contracts or real estate ventures. Anything related to contractual agreements and promises can be indicated by **RING**.

**26. BOOK (10 of Diamonds): Knowledge, Education, Learning, Information, Secrets**

**BOOK** is about gaining knowledge. This can be achieved through formal education and studies, or simply by new understandings and information coming to light. **BOOK** can also be about secrets being kept and revealed.

**27. LETTER (7 of Spades): News, Messages, Mail, Written Communication, Documents**

**LETTER** indicates all kinds of communications and information exchanges that are written or somehow documented. It can be about sending or receiving important or official papers or about conversing through writing. Sometimes **LETTER** reminds us to keep good records of conversations or interchanges that may have importance to us.

**28. MAN (Ace of Hearts): A Man, or Person Who Identifies as Male. Masculinity, or Qualities Associated with Masculinity**

**MAN** can represent a person in your life. It can



also represent someone with male qualities coming into your life. It may indicate male or masculine qualities in yourself, another or in a life-situation.

**29. WOMAN (Ace of Spades): A Woman, or Person Who Identifies as Female. Femininity, or Qualities Associated With Femininity.**

**WOMAN** can represent a person in your life. It can also represent someone with female qualities coming into your life. It may indicate female or feminine qualities in yourself, another or in a life-situation.

**30. LILY (King of Spades): Elders, a Wise Person, Wisdom, Maturity, Aging, Retirement**

**LILY** can indicate an older person or someone with maturity and wisdom. It can be the fact of aging and growing older, and the life changes that often come with that. **LILY** may be indicating that it is time to get some advice or knowledge from someone older, wiser or more experienced. Or it can be that you have these qualities to offer to others.

**31. SUN (Ace of Diamonds): Success, Vitality, Victory, Joy, Positive Outcome**

**SUN** brings the joy of accomplishment, victory and

good outcomes for life-situations. It can be about healing and good health, as well as financial and relationship success. **SUN** indicates that all will work out for the best. It can also relate to a sunny season or warm location.

**32. MOON (8 of Hearts): Intuition, Emotions, Subconscious, Creativity, Artistic Abilities, Psychic Abilities**

**MOON** is about deep emotions and strong intuitive feelings. It represents the subconscious and the ability to access psychic powers. **MOON** can indicate psychic messages coming to you or through you. Be sure to listen to these. It can represent the artist and those with strong creative inclinations. It can also mean an actual piece of creative artwork.

**33. KEY (8 of Diamonds): Revelations, Discovery, Answers, Solutions, Opening, Achievement**

**KEY** means that the answer has been found or a confusing situation finally has some clarity. It is the “AHA” moment – understanding has arrived, an important piece of knowledge has been discovered. A problem is solved, a secret revealed, a puzzling issue has been resolved. Things are falling into place, and the way now feels open.

#### **34. FISH (King of Diamonds): Abundance, Wealth, Jobs/Money, Business, Gain**

**FISH** denotes prosperity and abundance. Usually this comes in the form of jobs or business endeavors that bring good financial improvement. You can count on getting the job or achieving the business goal, getting the raise, feeling abundant.

#### **35. ANCHOR (9 of Spades): Stability, Security, Restraint, Holding, Stasis**

**Anchor** brings a strong feeling of stability especially during rocky times. There is safety in ANCHOR, however it can also feel static- like a holding pattern. It may be that things are OK for now, so it may be safest to stay put. This is not a good time to take a risk or make a big change. Weather the storm for now, but don't become too complacent.

#### **36. CROSS (6 of Clubs): Sacrifice , Burdens, Duties, Suffering For a Higher Cause or Goal, Principles, Virtue**

**CROSS** brings sacrifice. This can be a challenging time or situation where there are heavy burdens to bear. CROSS can also indicate making sacrifices in the name of a higher good – perhaps caring for someone in need, taking on extra responsibilities to aid an important cause or achieve an important goal. CROSS can be about making difficult changes

in order to grow spiritually or personally – to lead a life more in keeping with your values and sense of virtue. It may be hard, but it is often worth it in the long term.

## Playing Card Correspondences

Since the Lenormand cards were originally derived from early playing cards, most decks include the associated playing card along with each image. The 36 cards of the Lenormand correspond to the six, sevens, eights, nines, tens, Jacks, Queens, Kings and Aces of the four suits – Spades, Hearts, Clubs and Diamonds.

### Suit Correspondences

**Spades** - Thought, communication, understanding, knowledge, plans, travel

**Hearts** - Emotions, relationships, love, intuition, aspirations

**Clubs** - Material things, physical matters, health, work, finances, resources

**Diamonds** - Creativity, enterprise, change, decisions, action, risk, reward

**Court Cards** (Jack, Queen, King) can more often be

associated with specific people or beings, and/or the important qualities associated with them.

*Numerology* correspondences can be many and varied. These can be discovered or intuited as you work more with your cards.

\*Knowing and paying attention to these associations can help enhance and amplify your understanding of each card and its meaning, though it is not necessary for being able to read accurately and effectively with your cards.

Here is a chart showing each Lenormand card and its associated playing card:

Lenormand Associations with Playing Cards				
	Spades	Hearts	Clubs	Diamonds
6	Tower 19	Star 16	Cross 36	Clover 2
7	Letter 27	Tree 5	Mice 23	Birds 12
8	Garden 20	Moon 32	Mountain 21	Key 33
9	Anchor 35	Rider 1	Fox 14	Coffin 8
10	Ship 3	Dog 18	Bear 15	Book 26
J	Child 13	Heart 24	Whip 11	Scythe 10
Q	Bouquet 9	Stork 17	Snake 7	XRoad 22
K	Lily 30	House 4	Clouds 6	Fish 34
A	Woman 29	Man 28	Ring 25	Sun 31

## How to do a Reading

### How to Frame a Question

Lenormand divination works well whether reading for yourself or another person. The person asking the question is called the “**Querent**”, and the person doing the reading is called the “**Reader**”. If you are reading for yourself, you are both Querent and Reader.

Whether reading for yourself or someone else, **asking a question before you begin is necessary**. Lenormand does not respond well when the cards are pulled simply “to see what I need to know today”, as is sometimes done in other divination systems. The Lenormand system offers the most clear and understandable response when a question is asked.

How the question is framed is important in Lenormand, as it can affect the clarity of the interpretation. The best kind of question to ask is one that could offer some clarity by a simple “yes” or “no”. This does not mean that Lenormand will only answer “yes” or “no” questions, but if the question is framed that way, the response will most likely be easier to understand.

**Here is an example of how to create a clear question:**

“Will I stay in my current job?” With this question, it would be important to know if the Querent wants or doesn’t want to stay in their current job before interpreting the cards. If they want to keep the job, and mainly negative cards are drawn, then it is likely that they will lose their job. However, if the Querent is hoping to get out of their current job, and mainly negative cards come up, then it is likely that they will stay in this job.

So **a better question would be:** “Will I be able to get out of my current undesirable job?” - if they desire to leave it. Or “Will I be able to stay in this job that I want to keep?” – if they desire to stay.

### **Another example:**

“Will we sell our house before the end of the year?” Does the Querent hope to sell the house or are they afraid of having to sell the house? If they want to sell it this year, then **a better question might be** “Will I be able to sell the house in the time frame I am hoping for?” Or if they don’t want to sell it, they might instead ask “Will I have to sell my house before I am ready to/ want to?”

Specific and straightforward questions often give the most easily interpreted responses.

### **Here are a few examples:**

Will we get married?

Will I get the job?

Will we have to move away?

Will my health improve?

Is she still angry with me?

Am I going to be able to get the money I need for \_\_\_\_\_?

How will this \_\_\_\_\_ ( trip/event/endeavor/ performance, fill in the blank) go?

\*It’s also good to be aware that Lenormand, for all its seeming simplicity, can be quite sophisticated and nuanced. As you become more experienced, you will find that you can ask virtually anything and receive an accurate and meaningful response to your question.

## **How to Lay Out and Interpret the Cards**

First, please note that Lenormand cards do not have reversals. They are all read right side up, no matter how they are put down. Positive, negative and neutral meanings are embedded in each card and become clear by where and how they show up in the reading.

Lenormand relies on card combinations, where each card represents a word in a phrase or a sentence. These combinations tell a story about the situation, and so the order of the cards is very important.

Let's take a look at two common ways to lay out the cards for a reading.

## Two Card Spreads

In Lenormand, Two Card Spreads are ideal for "yes" or "no" questions. The answer is usually clear, but will also include some important details around the reason for the "yes" or the "no".

Begin with the Querent asking their question. Then shuffle the cards in any way you want. This can be done by the Querent, the Reader or both.

The cards can then be drawn from the top of the deck or chosen randomly from within the deck by the Querent or the Reader. Lay out the cards from left to right in the order that they were drawn.

### \*Important Guidance

Commonly, the first card is a noun representing the subject or topic that is most important or influential in regards to the question. The second card acts as a modifier to that subject/noun – an adverb, adjective, qualifier.

### Example:

Question: "Should I get a dog?"

Two cards are drawn from the deck:

**Card One:** (the noun or main influential subject)  
**FISH**

**FISH** denotes abundance, gain, prosperity – even financial or personal improvement

**Card Two:** (the modifier, adverb, adjective or qualifier to CARD ONE) **KEY**

**KEY** means that the answer to a confusing situation has been found, a problem solved, things are falling into place and the way is open.

So an answer for this question would seem to be "Yes, getting a dog is a good idea."

Looking deeper, we might also realize that getting a dog that can be bred or trained for specific purposes could bring some financial gains (FISH). It can be that the abundance- emotionally or materially- that comes with the Querent's new dog brings unexpected resolutions to other areas of their life, such as relieving loneliness, providing protection or making new friends among other dog owners. (KEY)

\*Also note that FISH corresponds to the King of Diamonds, and so it is even more likely to represent the dog itself or possibly the person from whom you get the dog. Since the suit of Diamonds relates to risk and rewards, and FISH

is a favorable card, we have another positive indicator for saying “yes” to the question.

**A variation on the Two Card Spread** is that the first card *causes* the second, sometimes with an implied time progression. Card One is “now or soon” and Card Two is “later”.

#### **Example:**

Question: “How will this new relationship unfold?”

Two cards are drawn from the deck:

**Card One:** (the current moment which causes the next) **ANCHOR**

**ANCHOR** brings a sense of stability and support especially during difficult times. There is safety for now, but it might also feel static or even restrained.

**Card Two:** (what comes out of Card One/what comes next in this situation) **TOWER**

**TOWER** relates to Authority, Status, Arrogance, Control and Isolation

So an answer for this question might be that the relationship provides a sense of support and safety in the moment (ANCHOR). It may be that the relationship began as a refuge in challenging times and brought a sense of stability while dealing with a rocky situation.

However, what feels safe and secure now is

likely to become more of a controlling or jealous situation, with the partner making the rules and restraining the Querent’s sense of freedom. (TOWER) This reading would bring a strong caution to watch carefully before moving forward in this relationship.

## **Three Card Spreads**

Three card spreads can be helpful if more detail is desired or the question has some complexity to it.

Begin with framing a clear question, shuffling the deck and laying out the cards as described in the Two Card Spread. **Remember that the order of the cards is important.**

In a common version of a Three Card Spread, the **first card** can define the topic or main aspect of the situation/question.

The **second card** defines the action or verb or behavior of the first card – i.e. what Card One does or brings or causes.

The **third card** can say how or why these things happen and/or what affect this will have on the Querent.

As in the Two Card Spread, Three Card Spreads can also indicate or imply a time progression, in which Card One is now, Card Two is later, Card Three is what happens after that.

### **Example:**

Question: “Is it a good idea for me to buy a house now?”

Three cards are drawn from the deck.

**Card One:** (topic or main aspect of the situation/ now) **DOG**

**DOG** indicates a trustworthy supportive ally. It also means a situation that can be trusted to support you and is likely to be long-lasting and withstand any hardships.

**Card Two:** (actions; what card one brings or causes/ later) **CROSS**

**CROSS** indicates sacrifices, challenges, responsibilities – often for the sake of an important cause or higher goal. Making difficult changes or taking on burdens in order to lead a life more in keeping with your values.

**Card Three:** (how or why; what affect/ what happens then) **MOON**

**MOON** is about deep emotions, intuition, following your heart, creativity, artistic abilities.

In response to the question, CARD ONE (DOG) right away gives a good sense that buying a house has the potential to bring lasting support and can be achieved, most especially by recruiting the help of knowledgeable, trusted friends or allies.

It could also indicate the possibility of buying the house together with a trusted person. The situation has been defined as one worth pursuing, especially with some sort of help from others.

CARD TWO (CROSS) shows that sacrifices and hard work will be necessary to achieve this goal. It may take more time than hoped. However, it will be worth it in the long-term to make these sacrifices and experience some hardships for a while. This is something that will make a big difference to the Querent in how they are able to lead their life.

CARD THREE (MOON) in this position would indicate that the Querent’s inner wisdom and intuition can be trusted in helping to make decisions about a particular house to buy or how to finance it. MOON can also mean that the Querent may find it necessary to get quite creative in looking for and/or purchasing the house. There is a possibility that the house is affordable because of its condition, but with the creativity of the MOON card and the hard work and sacrifice of the CROSS card, it becomes a beautiful, lasting and supportive home in the end (DOG).

### **\*Important Guidance**

One thing to note for both two and three card

spreads is that the **final card** sets the ultimate tone or mood for the situation. Even if the preceding card/s are quite negative, if the final card is positive, you can be assured that, though things may be tough for a bit, they will come right in the end – or, of course, vice versa.

## Summing Up

There are many, many ways to use and approach Lenormand beyond what has been provided here. This basic information, however, will take the beginner and even the more experienced reader a long way. The beauty of Lenormand comes in its straightforward simplicity- it's not always necessary to use more complicated approaches when seeking answers with Lenormand.

You will find that as you familiarize yourself with your deck, your intuition will grow and develop. You will start to unlock deeper meanings and begin to discover your own variations and methods for using the cards.

So now- step through the gates of wisdom and clarity that Lenormand has opened for you. The **BLACK CAT** awaits. Enjoy the ride!

## Resources

If you would like to dig deeper and learn more about Lenormand, the following is a short list of recommended resources:

### Books

*The Complete Lenormand Oracle Handbook: Reading the Language and Symbols of the Cards*, by Caitlin Matthews

*Petit Lenormand Encyclopedia*, by Bjorn Meuris

### Online

*Labyrinthos:*

<https://labyrinthos.co/blogs/lenormand-cards>

*Lozzy's Lenormand:*

<https://lozzylenormand.com>

*Ask My Cards:*

<https://seaqueen.wordpress.com>



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Christopher Gendron (ARTMUFFIN) is a visionary artist living in Western Massachusetts. His work is mystical and mysterious by nature and often presents the viewer with more questions than answers. The power and mysticism of cartomancy has always been alluring for the artist. Upon the discovery of the Lenormand divination system he was inspired to create his own version of the cards with the curious, clever, and always magical Black Cat.

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