

# SPIRAL SEA TAROT

## Getting to Know the Court Characters

Getting to know the court cards can be one of the most difficult aspects to mastering the tarot. This exercise is designed to help you to begin to draw your own associations so that you can adequately “character develop” each member of this royal family.

**How-To:** On this first page, there will some examples of criteria you can use and on page 2, you will find a blank chart that you can fill in yourself. The intention of the exercise is to select a handful of the criteria below and work your way through each court character by filling in your conclusions. For example, if you chose profession, you would go through each character and assign a profession you believe they could hold based on your understanding of the character thus far. By the end of the exercise, you will have a complete chart that will hopefully breathe some life into each of the court cards, making them easier to assimilate into your practice.

Criteria	Explanation	Example
<b>Ideal Date</b>	How does this character respond in romantic situations? What would their ideal date activity be?	The Queen of Wands = Dancing the night away
<b>Alternative Card</b>	What other card in the tarot does the character remind you of?	The Knight of Coins = 8 of Coins
<b>Celebrity</b>	What famous person does the court character remind you of?	The Queen of Swords = Judge Judy
<b>Myers Briggs</b>	16 court cards, 16 personality profiles; coincidence?	The King of Swords = ESTJ
<b>Profession/Study</b>	If this court character could land their dream job or study in any area, what would that be?	The Knight of Wands = Rock Star
<b>At A Party</b>	If all the court cards got together for a gathering, how would they interact and how would each be spending their time?	The Page of Swords = Quietly observing the crowd from a distance
<b>Astrology</b>	We already know the element associated with each court, now what astrological sign best fits?	The Page of Cups = Pisces
<b>How You Relate</b>	What about each court card reminds you of yourself? How are they different? Would you get along if you knew each other in real life?	The Page of Swords = reminds me of my more introspective and observational nature.

## Court Card Exercise Chart

I've included elements along with keywords in the boxes below. If you were to match the court card to any given suit, you would have a quick-reference interpretation. Example: The King of Swords = "Assured Though".

	<b>King - Earth - Assured</b>	<b>Queen - Water - Nurtured</b>	<b>Knight - Fire - Charged</b>	<b>Page - Air - Eager</b>
<b>Swords - Air - Thought</b>				
<b>Wands - Fire - Ambition</b>				
<b>Coins - Earth - Resource</b>				
<b>Cups - Water - Emotion</b>				