

























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

In the name of God, the Beneficent, the Merciful. First section.  These signs of *Yūsuf (Joseph)* in this section indicate a marriage plan with a thin man. The gentleman will be both friendly and famous. His wishes will be fulfilled. It is recommended to make the offering of two white loincloths woven on a Sunday to two children, two brothers.  These signs of *Ādama (Adam)* announce the loss of an object of value and the acquisition of a good. It is recommended to make the offering of a handful of rice to a child.  These signs of the *Mahdiyyu (The Well Guided)* foretell the acquisition of a new home. It will be given to you as a gift by a man. There will be no issue. He will have to give as an offering a piece of soap, given on a Friday to a married woman.  These signs of *Mūsā (Moses)* portend a disagreement between many people. It is recommended to make an offering of cow's milk on a Monday. Second section.  These *Yūsuf* signs indicate that the petitioner will go bankrupt in a lucrative business. It will be necessary to make an offering of seven balls of cereal flour on a Saturday.  These signs of *Ādama* indicate that sheep's meat should be given as an offering.  These signs of the *Mahdiyyu* indicate the purchase of an animal or an animal breeding project. Cow's milk must be given as an offering.  These signs of *Idrīs (Enoch)* announce luck and the satisfaction of wishes. It is recommended to give cow's milk as an offering.  These signs of *Ibrāhīm (Abraham)* foretell privileges that the petitioner will receive. It will be necessary to make an














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offering of a white loincloth.  These signs of *ʿĪsā (Jesus)* foretell the founding of a family and luck in business. The petitioner must give red kola nuts.  These signs of *ʿUmar (a companion of the Prophet Muhammad)* warn that a betrayal will jeopardize a marriage plan. It is recommended that a brown chicken and red kola nuts be given as an offering.  These signs of *Ayyūb (Job)* foretell acquiring wealth. The petitioner must make an offering of couscous on a Tuesday.  These signs of *Abū Baker (a companion of the Prophet Muhammad)* announce the acquisition of resources. It is recommended to give honey as an offering.  These signs of *Sulaymān (Solomon)* announce the loss of an object. The offering will consist of pinkish kola nuts.  These signs of *ʿAliyyu (nephew and companion of Prophet Muhammad)* indicate an animal breeding project. It is recommended to prepare a handful of millet shells to drop on the road.  These signs of *Nūḥ (Noah)* indicate that the petitioner will receive a black coat as a gift. He will have opportunities in his business. However, his house is not entirely secure. A piece of black iron must be given as an offering on a Thursday.  These signs of *Al-Ḥasan (son of ʿAliyyu)* announce that the petitioner will give something to someone. It is recommended that he gives a chicken as an offering.  These signs of *Yūnus (Jonah)* bode well for acquiring a fortune. It is advisable to make the offering of a bowl of rice with meat on a Monday.  These signs of *ʿUthmān (a companion of Prophet Muhammad)* bode well for good fortune. It is recommended that pieces of paper be given as an offering.  These signs of *Mūsā* announce the petitioner's good luck in business. It will be necessary to give white kola nuts as an offering. He will experience happiness. Third section.  These signs of *Yūsuf* announce that a man will gain maturity and notoriety. It is advisable to give a chicken to a visitor who has just arrived.  These signs of *Ādama* predict discord and fortune. It is recommended to give a piece of iron as an offering. 

These signs of the *Mabdiyyu* foretell a lot of luck.  These *Idris* signs indicate that when the petitioner is around, many people will be lucky.

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















The predictions also indicate marriage to a fair-skinned woman. It is recommended that the petitioner give cow's milk as an offering. It must be given to a dog.  These signs of *Ibrābīm* reveal that the petitioner will soon travel. He will visit a man. It will be necessary to give a ball of millet flour to a slave.  These signs of *ʿIsā* predict a disease. The petitioner will be a sick man with a light complexion and will be struck by the disease on a Thursday afternoon. He will have to give a white loincloth as an offering.  These signs of *ʿUmar* indicate a fair-skinned girl [who will get sick]. It is recommended to give a piece of iron as an offering. She will not heal.  These signs of *Ayyūb* also predict illness. The petitioner will die from the illness. He won't get well.  These signs of *Abū Baker* foretell a very pleasant journey for the petitioner. He will meet a woman and earn a lot of money on the trip. He will have to give two small gourds with handles, white kola nuts, and shiny pieces of silver as an offering to an imam.  These signs of *Sulaymān* announce that a woman will have many children. But there will be some concerns. It is recommended to give sugar as an offering to regain happiness.  These signs of *ʿAliyyu* predict a discussion about a woman. It will be necessary to make an offering of oil on a Sunday.  These signs of *Nūḥ* announce an argument with a woman. But everything will work out and they will live happily. Cow's milk must be given as an offering.  These signs of *Yūnus* predict receiving a fortune. It will be necessary to give salt as an offering. It must be mixed with water and then poured on the ground.  These signs of *Uthman* reveal a successful marriage plan with another woman [a second wife], or a travel plan full of


happiness and prosperity. It will be necessary to make an offering of goat's milk or meat.  These signs of *Idrīs* announce a plan to marry a woman. The man will have to give a chicken as an offering, and it will all come to fruition.  These signs of *Ibrāhīm* indicate the illness of a fair-skinned man. He will have to give corn as an offering to a chicken.  These signs of *ʿĪsā* announce the death of a family member. An outfit [of clothing] must be given as an offering.  These signs of *ʿUmar* foretell a marriage plan that will cause discord in the family. It is recommended to give kola nuts as an offering, and everything will be fine.  These signs of *Ayyūb* announce illness and notoriety. Three scoops of cereal flour and three white kola nuts should be given as an offering.  These signs of *Abū Bakr* bode a peaceful life and blessings. The petitioner will have to give a brown chicken as an offering.  These signs of *Sulaymān* portend that the petitioner will acquire a lot of knowledge. It is recommended that he gives oil as an offering.  These signs of *Al-Ḥasan* signal a discussion. He will have to give something he is wearing (clothes, shoes, hats, or jewelry) as an offering. It is recommended to give it to someone he meets on the road.  These signs of *ʿAlīyyu* announce an breeding project with many animals. He is advised to give raw peanuts as an offering. The petitioner will be surrounded by people and be successful.  These signs of *Nūḥ* warn of wickedness against the petitioner.. It will be necessary to give a red kola nut as an offering to ward it off. The kola nut must be given to a girl.  These signs of *Yūnus* indicate that a turban should be given as an offering. The petitioner will have a peaceful life.  These signs of *ʿUthmān* announce a travel plan. The trip will be pleasant. A spool of white thread should be given as an offering. These signs of *Mūsā* announce a gathering of people. It is recommended to toss an offering of salt in the direction of the place where the crowd is converging as it begins to arrive. Fourth section.  These

signs of *Yūsuf* indicate that the petitioner may have troubles with a group of people. There will be blatant jealousy that can lead to him being cursed. It will be necessary to give cold water as an offering. These signs of *Ādama* predict prosperity and a peaceful life. A chicken should be given as an offering on a Monday.













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









These signs of *Mahdiyyu* announce visitors. A white kola nut should be given as an offering. These signs of *Idrīs* announce a plan to travel to a faraway place, as well as a peaceful life. A white chicken must be given as an offering. These signs of *Ibrāhīm* promise prosperity. They also reveal the betrayal of a woman. It will be necessary to give roasted cassava as an offering to children. These signs of *ʿĪsā* announce an illness. It is recommended to give seven kola nuts as an offering. These signs of *ʿUmar* predict a marriage plan with a fair-skinned woman. It will be necessary to give milk as an offering, and all will be well. These signs of *Ayyūb* evoke the arrival of visitors, both women and men. These signs from *Abū Baker* foretell the acquisition of important documents. Sheep must be given as an offering. These signs of *Sulaymān* predict illness. A brown chicken must be given as an offering. The petitioner will recover. These signs of *ʿAlīyyu* announce the acquisition of a house. For the offering, cotton must be given. Everything will be fine. These signs of *Nūḥ* predict a crisis. It will be necessary to give cold water as an offering. These signs of *Al-Ḥasan* evoke a place where one intends to settle. A stone must be thrown into a well as an offering. These signs of *Yūnus* predict prosperity. Four bowls of rice with meat should be given as an offering on a Wednesday. These signs of *ʿUthmān* announce that the petitioner will become a leader of people, and be granted blessing and longevity. It will be necessary to give an outfit [of

clothing] as an offering.  These signs of *Mūsā* predict a fight between two people. They will clash and create tension in the house. It will be necessary to give an offering to a leatherworker. Fifth section.  These signs of *Yūnus* announce favorable news to the petitioner, but the news will lead to betrayal. It will be necessary to give cassava as an offering.  These signs of *Ādama* evoke the acquisition of a large house. Cold water should be given as an offering.  These signs of the *Mahdiyyu* announce the birth of a boy. For the offering, it will be necessary to throw a pebble into a river.  These signs of *Idrīs* announce a pregnancy. Cow's milk will have to be given as an offering.  These signs of *Ibrāhīm* predict the coming of a baby. It will be necessary to give a silver object as an offering.  These signs of *ʿĪsā* announce a marriage plan. It will be necessary to give a scarf as an offering.  These signs of *ʿUmar* predict an argument. A white kola nut must be given as an offering.  These signs of *Ayyūb* predict the birth of a baby, but that baby will not live long. It will be necessary to give ram's meat as an offering.  These signs from *Abū Bakr* foretell a miscarriage. It is necessary to give a new loincloth as an offering.  These signs from *Sulaymān* predict a marriage while traveling. For the offering, it will be necessary to find a pot used for drinking and throw it in a well.  These signs of *ʿAlīyyu* predict a difficult trial due to Satan's actions. A brown chicken must be given as an offering.  These signs of *Nūḥ* announce a leader of people. You will have to give a red kola nut to a frequent traveler.  These signs of *Al-Ḥasan* predict imprisonment. It will be necessary to give a new loincloth as an offering.  These *Yūnus* signs announce a romantic relationship with a woman. It will be necessary to give a broom as an offering. It must be given to a person traveling westward.  These signs







of 'Uthmān announce the birth of a boy. The wife will have to give an outfit [of clothing] to her husband as an offering.  These signs of Mūsā predict a discussion of marriage. It is recommended to give a hat as an offering on a Saturday.

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







Sixth section.  These *Yūsuf* signs predict pain in the ribs. It will be necessary to give salt and a loincloth as offerings.  These signs of Ādama predict headaches. Meat must be given as an offering on a Wednesday.  These signs of *Mahdiyyu* point to epilepsy. It will be necessary to give a white chicken as an offering.  These signs of *Idrīs* predict a multicolored chicken. It will be necessary to give a white kola nut as an offering.  These signs of *Ibrāhīm* indicate a parasitic disease. Millet porridge should be given as an offering.  These signs of 'Īsā predict a trying illness. It will be necessary to give a bowl of rice and a bowl of porridge as an offering.  These signs of 'Umar warn of an evil spell cast on an individual. It will be cured after a treatment based on tree roots.  These signs of *Ayyūb* point to headaches. It will be necessary to give money and millet porridge as an offering.  These signs of *Abū Bakr* predict difficulties in life. It will be necessary to give an offering of two spools of thread, one red and the other white.  These signs of *Sulaymān* indicate the sexual impotence of a man. It will be necessary to give some fruit as an offering.  These signs of 'Alīyyu announce an illness. It will be necessary to give a knife as an offering.  These signs of *Al-Ḥasan* point to stomach aches. It will be necessary to give grains of




















millet as an offering.  These signs of *Nūh* announce an illness caused by the jinn (spirits). For the offering, you must place some red kola nuts at the foot of a termite mound.  These signs of *Yūnus* point to headaches. For the offering, a spotted chicken is needed.  These signs of 'Uthmān predict a headache that spreads to the rest of the body. For the offering, some fruit is needed.  These signs of *Mūsā* announce epilepsy. It will be necessary to give a silver object as an offering to the head of a family. Seventh section.  These signs of *Yūsuf* announce a marriage plan, but it will end in betrayal. Roasted cassava should be given as an offering on a Saturday.  These signs of *Ādama* predict a marriage that happens very quickly. For the offering, it will be necessary to give food.  These signs of the *Mahdiyyu* reveal obstacles in the beginning of a marriage, but that everything will eventually be peaceful. For the offering, it is necessary to give raw peanuts.  These signs of *Idrīs* predict a marriage plan with a short woman. The offerings will consist of nine balls of cereal flour.  These signs of *Ibrāhīm* predict a marriage. Oil must be given as an offering to a woman who has never had a child.  These signs of 'Isā foretell a marriage to a fair-skinned woman. For the offering, it will be necessary to give soap to a woman who has never had a child.  These signs of 'Umar evoke difficulties between a married couple. For the offering, ash must be placed on the road.  These signs of *Ayyūb* announce a marriage with a young girl. The marriage will not succeed unless the man is a sherif,² in which case it will come to fruition. For the










²*Sherif* or *chérif* comes from the Arabic word *Sharif* which means a descendant of the Prophet Muhammad.

offering, salt and cold water are needed.  These signs from *Abū Baker* predict a marriage. For the offering, ten white kola nuts will be needed.  These signs of *Sulaymān* announce a woman. The petitioner must give a small chicken as an offering to a member of his family.  These signs of ' *Aliyyu* announce a marriage. The petitioner must give cow's milk to a little girl, and to four members of his family.  These signs of *Nūḥ* announce the steps towards a marriage. For the offering, a candle must be lit inside a room.  These signs of *Yūnus* announce a marriage. For the offering, he will need to give a white kola nut to a visitor who has just arrived.  These signs of ' *Uthmān* announce a marriage plan. For the offering, the petitioner will need to give a white kola nut to a person, and must call their name before giving it.





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







 These signs of *Mūsā* evoke the steps towards a marriage. For the offering, the petitioner will need to give a white kola nut to a visitor who will soon cross a river. Eighth section.  These signs from *Yūsuf* predict the petitioner's greatness and that people will flock to him. For the offering, it is necessary to give ten balls of cereal flour.  These signs from *Ādama* announce the death of a famous person.  These signs of the *Mahdiyyu* predict the death of a sage.  These signs of *Idris* announce the death of a pregnant woman.  These signs of *Ibrahim* predict the death of an elderly person in the late morning.  These signs of ' *Ā'isha* (*the third wife of Prophet Muhammad*) predict disease of an internal organ.  These signs of ' *Umar* predict the death of a woman much loved by her husband.  These signs from *Abū Baker* announce the death of a

visitor.  These signs of *Sulaymān* predict the death of a girl by drowning. Her body will be found.  These signs of *‘Aliyyu* evoke the death of animals.  These signs of *Nūh* announce the death of an enemy.  These signs of *Al-Ḥasan* predict the death of a child.  These signs of *Yūnus* announce the death of a white person.  These signs of *Ayyūb* predict the death of a family member.  These signs of *‘Uthmān* announce the death of a famous person.  These signs of *Mūsā* predict death from drowning or while in a canoe. Ninth section.  These signs of *Yūsuf* indicate luck and prosperity. For the offering, the petitioner will need millet porridge with okra sauce.  These signs of *Ādama* foretell prosperity that has been acquired elsewhere. For the offering, it will be necessary to give paper.  These signs of the *Mahdiyyu* predict a trip to the East. For the offering, it will be necessary to give a spotted chicken.  These signs of *Idrīs* announce prosperity. For the offering, it will be necessary to give money.  These signs of *Ibrāhīm* foretell prosperity. For the offering, it will be necessary to give candles.  These signs of *‘Īsā* predict new luck and happiness. For the offering, the petitioner must give a red kola nut to a child.  These signs of *‘Umar* evoke a marriage. For the offering, salt will be needed.  These signs of *Ayyūb* signal bankruptcy. For the offering, it will be necessary to give three bowls of cooked rice.  These signs of *Abū Bakr* predict an achievement success, and prosperity. For the offering, the petitioner needs cowries, a bowl of rice and ten white kola nuts.  These signs of *Sulaymān* announce a pregnancy. For the offering, it will be necessary to give corn.  These signs of *‘Aliyyu* indicate the

acquisition of an animal. For the offering, it will be necessary to give corn.  These signs of *Nūh* foretell luck and a minor illness. For the offering, ash must be placed on the roadside.  These signs of *Al-Ḥasan* evoke a project of settling in a place. For the offering, the petitioner must throw a pebble into a well.  These signs of *Yūnus* predict prosperity. For the offering, four bowls of rice must be given on a Wednesday.  These signs of *Uthmān* announce a marriage. For the offering, the petitioner must give some rope to an animal breeder.  These signs of *Mūsā* predict illness due to the jinn (spirits). For the offering, the petitioner will need to place small gourds with handles next to a fire. Tenth section.  These signs of *Yūsuf* indicate access to power. For the offering, two goats are needed.  These signs of *Ādama* also indicate access to power. For the offering, the petitioner will need a white hat.  These signs of the *Mahdiyyu* also predict access to power. For the offering, he will need a brown goat.  These signs of *Idrīs* announce fame. For the offering,

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a ram is required.  These signs of *Ibrāhīm* predict a discussion with political authorities. For the offering, the petitioner will need a hundred balls of cereal flour.  These signs of *ʿĪsā* indicate access to power. For the offering, dates are needed.  These signs of *Umar* also evoke access to power. For the offering, the petitioner will need a white hat.  These signs of *Ayyūb* predict a discussion about money with political authorities. For the offering, it will be necessary to give a

calabash full of millet.  These signs from *Abū Baker* evoke jealousy among those who share political power. For the offering, a white object is needed.  These signs of *Sulaymān* announce luck, prosperity, or access to power. For the offering, the petitioner will also need a white object.  These signs of *‘Alīyyu* predict a woman's access to power. For the offering, the petitioner must give a red chicken on a Thursday.  These signs of *Nūḥ* predict fame. For the offering, he needs one hundred kola nuts.  These signs of *Al-Ḥasan* also predict access to power. For the offering, a black chicken is needed.  These signs of *Yūnus* indicate imprisonment. Two new iron objects must be given as an offering, and the person will be preserved from wickedness.  These signs of *‘Uthmān* also announce access to power. For the offering, dates are needed.  These signs of *Mūsā* predict access to power and prosperity. For the offering, the petitioner will need a white djellaba (prayer robe). May God's blessing be upon Muhammad. End of the divination manual. My Creator, protect me from all those who slander me, in the name of the seven prayers on the Prophet formulated in divination, especially in the first, second, seventh, eleventh, and fifteenth section (1-2-7-11-15).