

# 2020 SKYWATCH

A Daily Astrological Timing Guide for All Signs

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**Thursday, October 1, 2020.** The most difficult and dangerous month is now upon us. Be certain to read ahead and take note of the most stressful days and schedule lightly. The trigger planet this month is Mars Retrograde in his home sign of Aries. Impulsive actions that lead to accidents, failures, violence and big problems are all more likely in the weeks ahead. Compounding this situation is that Mercury will also turn Retrograde on October 13 and remain in this unfocused cycle until November 3, Election Day. Mercury Rx ups the chances of misunderstandings, errors, breakdowns, difficult weather and problems with the machines used for travel and communication. You'll also read about some days ahead with lovely aspects and good energy you can use for priority matters in your life. We have extremes in the Skywatch this month. And dreams can come true for those prepared, even though it may come in the back door. A Full Moon in impulsive Aries headlines the Skywatch on Thursday. The Moon is a symbol of our feelings and when bright in the heavens our emotions surge into awareness. Thus, some folks propose marriage while others file for divorce. It is typically a time in the lunar cycle when decisions are made and conclusions reached—we know what we feel and want. You can expect everyone to have lots of energy today and especially around 2:05 PM PDT when the Sun and Moon line up exactly opposite each other. You can bet that fools, vampires, lovers and coyotes will be out tonight. Be safe. Be well. As times change.

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**Friday, October 2.** Caution lights. There is an emotional storm brewing today as the Moon in feisty and impatient Aries squares bombastic Jupiter at 7:58 AM PDT. Clear skies follow until Luna makes a square to stubborn Pluto at 5 PM sharp. A touch of anger or frustration is likely Friday night as the Moon conjuncts pushy Mars at 8:57 PM and then squares somber Saturn at 10:47 PM. Luna then turns Void of Course until Saturday morning.

**THE WEEKEND:** Green lights. This is an excellent weekend for anything serious or for an adventure and something fun. The Moon enters peaceful Taurus at 8:12 AM PDT Saturday morning and will remain in this Venus ruled sign all weekend.

Moreover, the Sun is in Libra now, the other sign ruled by Venus. This is the best medicine to deal with Mars Rx—lots of Venus in the heavens. And increased as the Moon in Taurus trines ruler Venus at 10:13 AM Saturday morning. This is an excellent time for a haircut, buying art and finding a good new source of chocolate—Venus concerns. The only other marker to note on Saturday shows up a 10:17 PM when the Moon opposes nosy Mercury and you've got mail.

A touch of static is in the air Sunday morning as the Moon meets unpredictable Uranus in the heavens at 3:59 AM PDT—you might not sleep through it. But green lights come on at dawn with the Sun and Moon both in signs ruled by affectionate Venus and Luna sailing out into calm waters. Evening hours are stellar for social plans as the Moon trines upbeat Jupiter at 9:07 PM and then sextiles creative and romantic Neptune at 10:38 PM. As times change.

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**Monday, October 5.** Get after it. Morning hours are the only good ones for priority matters today. The Moon trines powerful Pluto at 5:50 AM PDT, and then trines dependable and realistic Saturn at 11:41 AM. Caution lights come on a minute later as Luna turns Void of Course until she enters talkative Gemini at 9:02 PM. Hold off on making important decisions and purchases while the Moon is V/C. Chop wood, carry water during these hours and watch the world go by. As times change.

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**Tuesday, October 6.** Speak up. The Moon is in clever Gemini today, a sign ruled by persuasive Mercury. And green lights are flashing as the coast is clear. So this is a good day to get your ideas out on the table. The only problem in the Skywatch now is Mars Retrograde tending to lower our energy and requiring us to carefully prepare any new step we want to take. A lackadaisical attitude now almost guarantees our plans will not come to fruition in the future. Good advice is to pace your self now and until we escape this Retrograde cycle on November 13. As times change.

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**Wednesday, October 7.** Foggy and unexpected. Caution lights. The Moon squares dreamy Neptune at 10:52 AM PDT which can

easily lead to confusion and a misunderstanding this morning. And reactions from others can be unusual today with something unexpected in the message. All due to clever Mercury lining up opposite rebellious and contrary Uranus at 1:55 PM. This can also be when “the truth” comes out as Uranus is good at encouraging people to drop their guard. This marker can spark seemingly brilliant new ideas and crazy plans that will never work. All is up to your approach and command today. A lively and positive Moon sextile to Mars Rx follows at 6:57 PM. Luna then turns Void of Course until tomorrow morning

If your birthday is this week (October 4–10), it's time to get your hands dirty, Libra. There are six planets in earth signs in your new Solar Return. And that includes the two benefics, the planets that help you the most: loving Venus and lucky Jupiter. Earth signs are grounded, practical and know you have to work hard and pay some dues if you want to succeed in life. So this is the year to focus on your top priority and hopefully make some real progress in moving up the ladder of success. Helpful is Mercury in Scorpio in this chart of your new year. Solving problems and researching new ideas and facts is a special gift of this placement—Scorpio is also the sign that rules the occult and your interest in this world could give you information that is extremely valuable in the months ahead. A huge burst of positive energy, Jupiter making a trine to your sun, can lift you even higher in 2021. What can you do in the meantime to put yourself in a position to be in the spotlight? As times change.

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**Thursday, October 8.** Get busy. A confusing Mercury Retrograde cycle begins on Oct 13 doubling the problems we have with Mars now Retrograde. Just wait until the Moon leaves a V/C cycle from yesterday and enters home sign Cancer at 8:45 AM PDT Thursday morning. Green lights come on at this moment as the Skywatch clears. Cancer rules your tummy and that tells you to trust your gut reactions today. Evening hours are good for social plans as Luna sextiles affectionate Venus at 11:16 PM. A home cooked meal sounds like a very good idea tonight. As times change.

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**Friday, October 9.** A bad Moon rising. Caution lights. One of the most dangerous

aspects to show up in the heavens shows up today. Retrograde Mars in impulsive Aries squares sitting duck Pluto who just recently left his Rx cycle and is now “stationary direct” or barely moving. This means accidents, violence, breakdowns and conflicts are much more likely on Friday. The square hits exact at 6:19 AM PDT (that’s 9:19 AM in New York City—be sure to covert PDT to your local time zone). In power all day long, this square will tend to throw off even more sparks when the Sun and Moon also square at 5:39 PM late Friday afternoon. Caution lights stay on Friday night. The Moon opposes overconfident Jupiter at 8:17 PM and then thankfully Luna trines compassionate and gentle Neptune at 8:44 PM. Best not to push your luck today and tonight. As times change.

**THE WEEKEND:**Mixed signals are in the heavens all weekend. An extremely grouchy and tense lineup of aspects kicks on the caution lights Saturday morning. The Moon squares Mars at 3:05 AM PDT and then opposes Pluto at 3:36 AM (you might not get to sleep through this pair). Luna sails on to oppose grouchy Saturn at 9:04 AM and then turn Void of Course until she enters sunny Leo at 5:24 PM. In this window of time, Venus makes a trine to free-spirited and innovative Uranus, exact at 4:07 PM. Usually this trine suggests a good time to buy cars, computers and high tech stuff, all under the rule of Uranus, but with Mars Rx and a V/C Moon I suggest you hold off on finalizing any purchase or decision—especially with Mercury “stationing” now and about to turn Retrograde.

Sunday’s astrological picture is also mixed. Caution lights are up even though there is a huge kiss sitting up in the heavens that will be exact early Monday morning. But first we have to deal with the Sun squaring boastful Jupiter at 6:35 AM PDT followed by the Moon squaring rebellious and contrary Uranus at 10:27 AM and sailing on to square tricky Mercury at 1:50 PM. Green lights come on a few minutes later as a lovely Jupiter Neptune sextile powers up. Exact just seven minutes after midnight this sextile invokes our spiritual and creative energies and often shows up in the sky when a dream comes true for someone. Dreams can be powerful and helpful tonight with this pair of planets—pay attention. As times change.

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**Monday, October 12.** This is a day of Grace. We have a stellar line-up of positive markers in the Sky watch on Columbus Day, Indigenous People’s Day, and Thanksgiving Day in Canada—lots of celebrations today and all favored by Jupiter and Neptune in a sextile, exact early this morning. This pair seeks peace and understanding for all people and events. A gentle Sun Moon sextile at

4:09 AM PDT is followed by the Moon in trine to Mars Rx at 7:29 AM. Luna then turns Void of Course until she enters Virgo at 9:56 PM. In this window of time articulate Mercury finds a partner and sextiles agreeable Venus at 9:38 AM. So this is not the day to make major purchases or decisions, but is an excellent day to share love and conversations with friends and family. As times change.

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**Tuesday, October 13.** Buckle up. Things get really complicated between today and November 3 due to Mercury entering his Retrograde cycle at 6:05 PM PDT early this evening. Delays, breakdowns, difficult weather, misunderstandings, lost keys and detail problems are all more likely during this three-week period. Add Mars Retrograde to the picture and the chances of violence, accidents and ambulance sirens wailing increases. Mercury begins this Rx cycle in Scorpio, co-ruled by Mars, which is bound to create controversy in your home or office. Morning hours are the best for important calls and business on Tuesday. The Moon trines brilliant and friendly Uranus at 1:35 PM but caution lights kick on a few minutes later as the bossy Sun lines up opposite impatient Retrograde Mars at 4:26 PM. We get some help with problems then as Luna sextiles Mercury at 5:19 PM just before Mercury turns Retrograde. A kind and gentle Moon Venus conjunction offers more peace and agreement to the Skywatch as they meet in the heavens at 7:55 PM. Clear skies follow. As times change.

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**Wednesday, October 14.** Hooded green lights. Mercury and Mars are both driving in reverse and Retrograde now which means the details are important and you need to carefully consider the worthiness of any actions you take. That said, the rest of today’s Skywatch is very good for work and play. The Moon in practical Virgo trines lucky Jupiter at 5:12 AM PDT and then trines healing Pluto at 10:55 AM. Both trines connect planets in earth signs. These earthy connections suggest a very good time for practical decisions, meetings and business. The kiss of the day follows as Luna trines Saturn at 3:47 PM—more good earth energy. Caution lights come on a minute later as the Moon turns Void of Course until she enters Libra at 10:54 PM. As times change.

If your birthday is this week (October 11–17), there are several challenging aspects in your new Solar Return, Libra. The most difficult is likely to be Retrograde Mars sitting opposite to your Sun in this chart of your new year. Your energy will come and go with this opposition and you’ll need to have a great deal of patience with people and events in the months ahead. Helpful

is that your ruler, Venus, is in practical and wise Virgo this year. She joins Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Pluto all sitting in earth signs in your new SR. This group can move mountains and will guarantee success if you stay focused, realistic and committed to your task. You are leaving a period of transition this year and can move into a more enjoyable situation over this next year. As times change.

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**Thursday, October 15.** Caution lights. We have just one big aspect in the heavens today, and it can lead to big trouble. The self-absorbed Sun makes a square to compulsive and manipulative Pluto at 3:15 AM PDT early this morning. In power all day and night, this square can make some folks very sensitive to pressure of any kind. The best use of this energy is to clean out your desk or the pantry. Pluto urges are easily used bringing order out of chaos. Luckily, the Moon in gentle Libra sails out into calm seas all day and night. Just use a light touch today and you’ll likely not notice the square. As times change.

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**Friday, October 16.** Caution lights. There is a conflict-filled New Moon on center stage in the Skywatch on Friday. It will be easy today to make a wrong turn or to antagonize someone without trying to. The Moon in partnership sign Libra squares Jupiter at 5:06 AM PDT and then opposes impatient and feisty Retrograde Mars at 6:50 AM. The tension in the heavens increases as Luna then squares demanding Pluto at 10:22 AM. The New Moon, a conjunction of the Sun and Moon, occurs at 12:31 PM in 23 degrees of Libra. One more quack follows as the Moon squares often selfish Saturn at 3:11 PM. The Moon then turns Void of Course until she enters Scorpio at 10:05 PM Friday evening. Walk softly today and keep it simple. As times change.

**THE WEEKEND:**An unexpected situation is likely to appear on Saturday when the Moon in intense Scorpio lines up opposite unpredictable Uranus at 12:37 PM PDT. But that’s the only strange event in the Skywatch today. Luna travels on to conjunct Retrograde Mercury at 2:52 PM—just remember to double check the details. Clear skies follow for the rest of the day and night.

Caution lights are up on Sunday. Slow down, slow down. We have a mixed line-up of events in the Skywatch. The Sun squares grumpy Saturn at 6:58 AM PDT but is followed by a gentle, compassionate Venus Neptune opposition at 7:49 AM. A soft and easy-going pair of sextiles follows as the Moon harmonizes with Pluto at 9:42 AM and then Saturn at 2:43 PM. Luna then turns

Void of Course until she enters Sagittarius at 9:43 PM Sunday night. The biggest problem on Sunday shows up when aggressive Retrograde Mars makes a square to overly optimistic Jupiter at 10:38 PM. Accidents, speeding tickets, conflicts, and going overboard in some way is likely with this pair on stage all day and night Sunday, especially with Mercury also Retrograde. As times change.

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**Monday, October 19.** Mixed signals again. Gentle Venus lines up in a trine to upbeat Jupiter at 12:35 AM PDT early this morning. A positive vibe from this pair is enhanced by the Moon traveling through Jupiter ruled Sagittarius. The “Rub” is Retrograde Mercury lining up opposite contrary and eccentric Uranus at 7:55 PM. Surprises, errors and misunderstandings are all more likely today with this pair hanging out. But that is the only difficulty in the Skywatch on Monday. Use care with communications and don’t overreact to something unusual jumping up and you can skate through Monday easily. As times change.

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**Tuesday, October 20.** Upbeat but easy does it. The Moon trines eager Mars at 5:08 AM PDT but sails on to square sensitive Venus at 8:28 AM this morning. But the Skywatch clears a few minutes later and green lights are up for work or play. The only other exact marker is a kiss: A sextile between the Sun and Moon at 8:38 PM. Luna then turns Void of Course until she enters Capricorn at 11:44 PM. As times change.

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**Wednesday, October 21.** Green lights. This is a stellar day for medical and dental appointments and for scouting out important purchases or investments, too. The Moon in practical Capricorn sextiles Retrograde Mercury at 12:49 PM PDT and the main event follows. Charming Venus trines healing Pluto at 2:38 PM which is an excellent time to interview for a new job or to make a sales presentation. A friendly Moon Uranus trine at 3:32 PM adds more good energy to everything on your agenda Wednesday afternoon. Clear skies follow with the good vibes in the Venus trine most helpful for introductions and social events tonight.

If your birthday is this week (October 18–24). There’s a powerful lineup of planets in your new Solar Return, late Libra and early Scorpio birth signs. Six planets in earth signs in this chart of your new year can give you the push to work harder and smarter than ever before. And there’s a sterling kiss in the middle of this group as Venus in Virgo trines Pluto in Capricorn. Love and money get a boost this year from this trine. Get out on the

dance floor if you are single and let someone love you. You also have both Mercury and Mars Retrograde in your new SR. This is not as bad as it sounds. And you are likely to find some good people and situations from the past showing up in the months ahead. Just remember to double-check the details. As times change.

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**Thursday, October 22.** Hide and seek. Keep your head down as the Moon squares Retrograde Mars at 8:16 AM PDT. Green lights come on a few minutes later when the Moon sextiles creative Neptune and then conjuncts lucky Jupiter at 10:44 AM. Here’s the moment to make an important call or to ask a favor. Luna travels on to conjunct intense Pluto at 3:40 PM at about the same moment the Sun enters Scorpio, ruled by Mars and Pluto. And with Mars now Retrograde, I’m certain most Scorpio Sun signs will say things seem a bit out of kilter now. Another sweet aspect appears in the heavens at 6:09 PM when the Moon trines agreeable Venus. It gets serious as Luna then conjuncts cautious Saturn at 9:35 PM. As times change.

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**Friday, October 23** Quack, quack, quack. This is my way of saying we have three squares to the Moon today which are short bursts of emotional energy that can generate errors, misunderstandings and hurt feelings. Awareness of the nature and time of these events will help you sidestep most of the negative energy. The most challenging square is between the Sun and Moon occurring at 6:23 AM PDT Friday morning. Communication problems are more likely when the Moon squares Mercury Retrograde at 2:49 PM. You might also notice who calls you or shows up on these times as it gives you a bit of a preview as to further developments. A touch of rebellion is in the air Friday night when the Moon squares contrary and erratic Uranus Retrograde at 10:02 PM. Pause, take a deep breath and maybe a drink of water at these times and check your feelings and vibe. Don’t be surprised if your children act out during these moments. Just know they are brief moments of stress that usually pass with no great negative results. As times change.

**THE WEEKEND:**Green lights.

This is the best weekend of the month for social events, shopping, and an adventure. Saturday’s astrological weather is lovely. Agreeable Venus trines dependable Saturn at 8:40 AM PDT Saturday morning encouraging calm and deliberate attitudes and thinking all day long. The Moon in friendly Aquarius makes a sextile to Retrograde Mars at 2:54 PM and hopefully you can be done with the hard stuff by then as Luna jumps into

her Void of Course cycle a minute later until she enters Pisces Sunday afternoon. The good vibes in the trine are not diminished by the V/C cycle, so green lights remain up for social plans Saturday night.

Take your time with everything important Sunday morning. We have a long Void of Course cycle which started on Saturday and finally ends at 2:18 PM when the Moon enters creative Pisces. The rest of the Skywatch on Sunday is upbeat and positive. The Moon trines Mercury Retrograde at 6:59 PM and then trines the Sun at 8:30 PM. Trines bring times of balance and good energy—note who calls you or shows up on these times. As times change.

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**Monday, October 26.** Green lights. There’s not a cloud in the sky today. We do have Mercury and Mars in their Retrograde cycles and need to be careful with the details and communications; and we need to pace ourselves and stay out of the fast lane. The Moon is in psychic and compassionate Pisces and she makes only one connection, a sextile to friendly Uranus at 7:44 AM PDT Monday morning. Luna then sails out into calm seas for the rest of the day and night. As times change.

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**Tuesday, October 27.** New and welcome energy shows up in the heavens today. The only foggy note appears at 2:41 AM PDT when the Moon meets dreamy Neptune. Luna will then make three upbeat sextiles to other planets in the hours that follow kicking on the green lights. The Moon sextiles lucky Jupiter at 6:38 AM, and then Pluto at 10:58 AM. Sextiles bring times of opportunity and good times to take action. The Moon sextiles dependable Saturn at 5:46 PM but then turns Void of Course until Wednesday morning. New energy comes from Mercury backing out of intense Scorpio and into gentle Libra. At the same time charming Venus enters Libra for a lovely 25-day visit. Planets in Libra tend to soften our need to contest matters—this is especially favorable for Mercury Retrograde to be in a sign ruled by Venus while agreeable Venus enters her home sign—a double kiss in a way. As times change.

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PACIFIC DAYLIGHT TIME.**

Mountain Time add one hour  
Central Time add two hours  
Eastern Time add three hours



**Wednesday, October 28.** Slow down, slow down. The Moon enters fired up Aries at 1:45 AM PDT this morning and will push hot buttons in some folks with ruler Mars now Retrograde until November 13. Luckily, the Moon sails out into calm waters once she opposes Venus at 2:32 AM early this morning. After that contact, the coast is clear and green lights are up. Doing something new, something you've wanted to do for some time is a very good way to use the Mars and Aries energy in the Skywatch on Wednesday. Use the energy so it won't use you is the old lore. As times change.

If your birthday is this week (October 25–31), you also have four planets in earth signs in your new Solar Return, Scorpio. Practical concerns are in the foreground with earth signs and you are also in a period of changing times and events. Once every 84 years, Uranus lines up opposite your Sun and it began in 2020 and will continue to be an influence in your life in 2021. Uranus rules changes and the process of individuation. "Follow your bliss" is his mantra and he has an unexpected and rebellious side that can push your buttons and encourage you to leave confining situations and relationships and start new patterns of life and work that more closely fill the deepest needs you have inside. Truth is calling you in the months ahead. Do not be afraid to answer. As times change.



**Thursday, October 29.** Caution lights!!! The Moon in impatient Aries meets ruler Mars Retrograde in the heavens at 11:33 AM PDT. Let's not even speculate on what kind of accidents, conflicts and challenges this pair can generate. Do pay extra attention to the kids and critters this morning, and try to slow down and measure your words and actions carefully with this high-powered pair on stage. The best hours of the day for calls and business follow as astrological skies remain clear until the evening hours. Luna squares bombastic Jupiter at 7:39 PM and also squares obsessive and manipulative Pluto at 11:25 PM Thursday night. No love or mercy in this pair—save the budget discussion for another night. As times change.



**Friday, October 30.** Stop and go. Caution lights are up this morning as the Moon squares grumpy Saturn at 6:30 AM PDT and opposes Mercury Retrograde at 9:13 AM. Luna then turns Void of Course until she enters earthy Taurus at 2:19 PM. Bingo! Green lights come on at this moment as the Skywatch clears for the rest of the day and night. As times change.



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**Saturday, October 31.** Bad Moon rising. There's an emotional overload in the heavens today. A Full Moon in Taurus sits exactly on rebellious and explosive Uranus on Saturday. Caution lights are up. The Full Moon pulls exact at 7:49 AM PDT and the Moon quickly sails on to conjunct unpredictable Uranus at 7:55 AM Saturday morning. No doubt electricity will be in the air Saturday night as the Sun opposes charged up Uranus at 8:52 PM. Know where your kids are going tonight and be aware that Full Moons bring out the coyotes, vampires, fools and worse, especially with Mercury and Mars both Retrograde. Play it safe and cool tonight. As times change.

**LOOKING AHEAD TO NOVEMBER:** Hold your horses. There's a lot of static in the heavens during the first week of this month. Mercury continues to Retrograde until November 3. Complicating matters is that Mercury squares anxious and cynical Saturn on November 1 reducing the chances of receiving positive reactions to your needs and wishes. Mercury then stations, which means Mercury sits on the square all week long and makes the exact square again on November 6 after returning to direct motion. The best use of this energy is to get your affairs and business organized and ready for the positive energy that will show up later in the month.

And there will be an extremely positive blast of energy in the Skywatch in November. Optimistic and generous Jupiter again conjuncts persevering Pluto in the heavens on November 12. In power all month long, this pair of planets helps us make major changes in our life and times that bring us more love, money and a healing of some kind, *IF* you will take action this month and

reach for something better in your life. The stars impel; they don't compel.

And if you are ready to end a relationship or bad situation in your life, make plans to do it on a Lunar Eclipse, a Full Moon, that fills the heavens with light on November 30. Full Moons bring times of harvest and completion, stellar times to let go of negative habits, people and matters that no longer support your growth and peace. An Eclipse is a super powerful lunation and is supported by Jupiter and Pluto who add horsepower to events that occur this month.

**NOVEMBER KISS DAYS:** 10, 12+, 14+, 23, 28. Two + days of Grace this month offer the potential for making a wish come true or something magical to happen—take action.

**NOVEMBER QUACK DAYS:** 1, 6+, 15, 16, 26. Thanksgiving Day is on this list—keep it as simple as you can.

**MIXMASTER: 27.** This day has some good news and a challenge—check out the dailies and you can work through any problems that come up.

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