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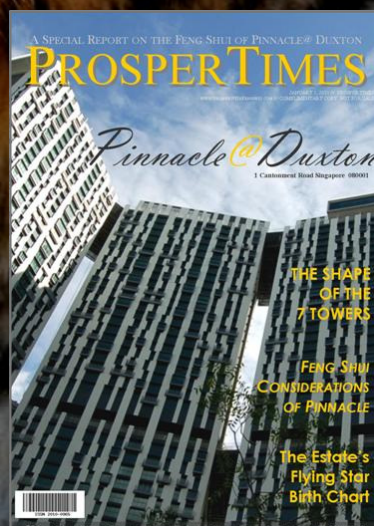
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## DEAR READERS,



Happy New Year! Happy 2010!

We are pleased to present to you our newly launched publication, **PROSPERTIMES**! **PROSPERTIMES** aims to provide interesting Feng Shui articles and contents relating to ancient Chinese Metaphysics to our valued readers. It is also a platform that we will use to share our insights and engage our readers regularly.

The highlight of this issue of **PROSPERTIMES** is the annual predictions of Tiger Year 2010. Read on to find out if the *Golden Tiger* will instill optimism and vitality or fear and pessimism in us. People who are born in the Year of the Monkey are in direct clash with the Tiger. Turn the next pages to find out how these people can alleviate the negative effects. Which animal horoscope will enjoy better luck? Which businesses will record better results? How do we activate the good energies in the auspicious sector and dissipate the bad ones in the inauspicious area? Answers to these questions will be revealed in this issue.

**PROSPERTIMES** will also present a new *Flying Star Feng Shui* series in this issue and subsequent ones to share with you some tips in applying simple Do-It-Yourself (DIY) Feng Shui. A small amendment in the placement in a particular sector may give you good luck for that month! You never know, it may just work for you!

In addition, **PROSPERTIMES** will include a light-hearted segment called "Ba Gua Mirror" that provides interesting anecdotes on our ancient practices and colourful cultural beliefs. It can cover anything from Face Reading techniques to Eyelid Twitching implications. It is meant to be fun and easy reading.

Finally, we add a special report to this issue of **PROSPERTIMES**. This special report covers the Feng Shui considerations of Pinnacle@Duxton, Singapore's highest public housing development.

**PROSPERTIMES**, as the name implies, is more forward looking, aims to inspire dynamism and instill optimism. We hope that you will like the newer and fresher outlook of our monthly publication. We also hope that you will enjoy reading the contents and benefit from the information presented.

Last but not least, we wish you a healthy and prosperous 2010! May you prosper with Feng Shui and may you enjoy good luck for the year!

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# The Year of Tiger

## 2010 Predictions

**D**id we manage to take the bull by the horns in Year 2009? We did see a charging bull in the stock market in March, a silver lining that brought people hope and comforting prospects in the midst of uncertainties and gloominess. Mankind had again faced the wrath of Mother Nature in Ox Year 2009. We witnessed raging bush fires in Australia, world crushing down in the Italian and Sumatran earthquakes, and Typhoon Ketsana and Morakot devastating human civilisations!

The Earth Ox is about to pass the baton to the next in line, the Golden Tiger.

You wouldn't want to come face to face with the Tiger! Over the years, across different lands and cultures, the name of the Tiger has struck trepidation and fear into the hearts of many. The Tiger, King of the Mountains, is also a symbol of strength and vitality. People are respectful and in awe of its prowess. The Chinese pray to the Tiger deity (虎爷) for protection and safety, and they believe that certain organs of this majestic beast have medicinal healing effects. The Tiger zodiac, the third animal in the Chinese horoscope, is ready to pounce and leap onto Year 2010. Will it create havoc or play an inspiring role in instilling strength, optimism and vitality? This issue of *ProsperTimes* will bring to you some insights and snippets on what lies in store for us in the coming year.

### Do You Know ...

The Hsia Calendar (夏历) is an amazingly accurate time computation system that is widely used by the Chinese communities to perform destiny analysis, fortune telling and to understand the climatic changes.

The unique feature of this system is that every year, every month, every day and every hour is represented by 2 characters, namely the Heavenly Stem (天干) and the Earthly Branch (地支).

The system encompasses 10 Heavenly Stems and 12 Earthly Branches, and each of the Heavenly Stem or the Earthly Branch is represented by Yin and Yang (阴阳) and one of the Five Elements (五行).

The Five Elements are representation of the basic components of everything in the Universe. The relationship between the Elements, which comprise of Water (水), Wood (木), Fire (火), Earth (土) and Metal (金), will enable us to predict one's fortunes or luck and determine what's coming our way.

# 2010 MACRO PREDICTIONS

## A LESS PEACEFUL YEAR WITH MORE CONFLICTS

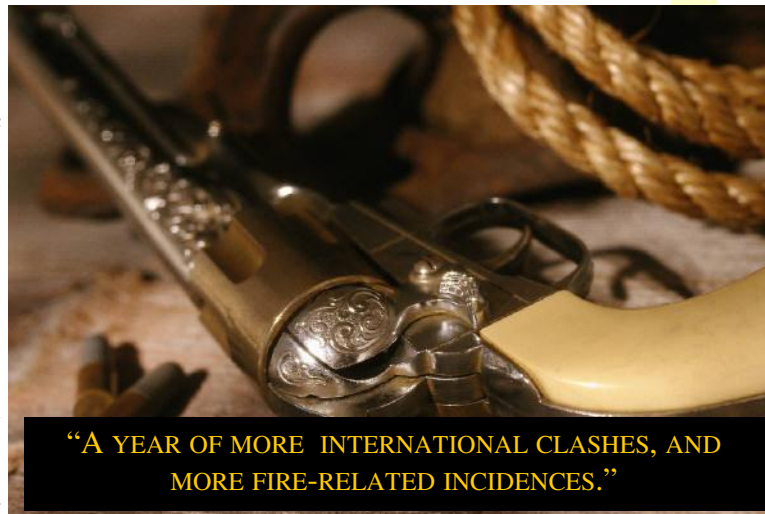
**Similarly**, the Year of the Tiger, 2010, is symbolised by a Heavenly Stem and an Earthly Branch (庚寅) in the Hsia Calendar. The Heavenly Stem geng (庚) represents Yang Metal and the Earthly Branch yin (寅) represents Yang Wood. This is a Metal Tiger year that implies Metal “sitting” on top of

Wood. According to the Cycle of Birth (生) and Destruction (克), which governs the inter-relationship between the Five Elements, Metal will conquer or destroy Wood (金克木). This is a sign of conflict or disharmony and this could mean a relatively less peaceful year with more international clashes and disagreements.

The most recent years that both Metal and Wood elements appeared together are Year 2004 and 2005. Year 2004 and 2005 are years of Wood Monkey (甲申) and Wood Rooster (乙酉) respectively with Wood “sitting” on Metal. During both years, we witnessed a series of terrorist attacks, most notably were bombings in Madrid, London, Bali and Iraq. On 26 Dec 2004, mankind experienced the giant tsunami that brought death tolls to hundreds of thousands and changed the coastlines of many countries.

The Hsia Calendar is formulated on a 60-year cycle (六十甲子年). This means that the same pair of Heavenly Stem and Earthly Branch (庚寅) was also experienced in Year 1950.

During this year, the intensification of the Cold War continued, dividing the world into two, fighting for their ideologies. Perhaps the most notable event of that year was the outbreak of the Korean War that torn up the peninsula into the North and South regions, which are still evident on the world map today.



**“A YEAR OF MORE INTERNATIONAL CLASHES, AND MORE FIRE-RELATED INCIDENTS.”**

From historical occurrences, Year 2010 is likely to be a less peaceful year, with more conflicts or disagreements and more instances of countries or organisations not able to see eye to eye with each other.

The Heavenly Stem geng (庚), which is represented by the Yang Metal element, is likened to metallic weaponries like rifles, swords and spears. It symbolises assertiveness, determination and loyalty. It could also be related to ostentation and rashness. This could imply that Tiger Year 2010 is a year of conflicts with different sides forging alliances in show of loyalty to each other. Rash actions as a result of ostentatious behaviour may surface as well.

The Tiger yin (寅) belongs to the Wood element (木) and it represents the start of spring. It symbolises growth and sporadic renewals of enthusiasm. It also signifies the Birth (长生) of Yang Fire (丙火), which could mean more explosive- or fire-related incidences in Tiger Year 2010. It is advisable for everyone to keep a cool head and not to act rashly in order to prevent unnecessary clashes, which may result in severe consequences.



## 2010 MICRO PREDICTIONS



# WHO MAY SEE MORE TRAVELING OPPORTUNITIES & CAREER MOVEMENTS?

**The** Tiger yin (寅) is also the *Traveling Star* (驿马). The *Traveling Star* governs movement and traveling. Year 2010 will see more traveling opportunities and career movements. People born in the Year of Rat (子), Dragon (辰) or Monkey (申) tend to be under strong influence of this star and on the constant move. There could even be job changes for these people in Year 2010.

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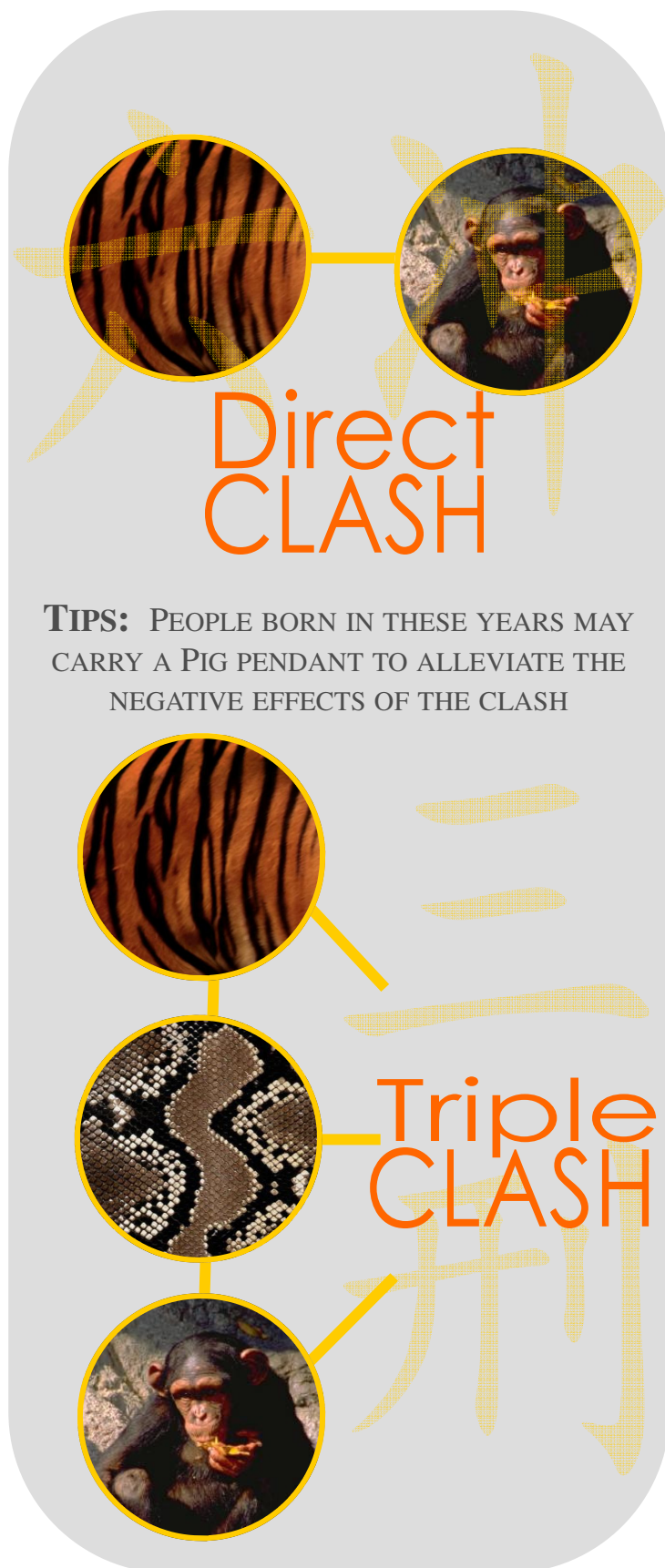
*Direct and Triple Clash*

**T**he Tiger (寅) is in direct clash with the Monkey (申). This is a clash (六冲) between the Wood (木) and Metal (金) elements. Such a clash often relates to traveling mishaps or accidents like crashing a car into a tree. It is advisable to take caution during traveling.

As the Tiger (寅) is in direct clash with the Monkey (申), also known as *Six Clashes* (六冲), and causes a *Triple Clash* (三刑) with the Snake (巳) and Monkey (申), people born in the Year of the Snake or Monkey have to be especially cautious. A *Triple Clash* implies hidden threat, disharmony and sickness. In this case, this *Triple Clash* is related to the Fire (火) element. It means health issues related to the heart and eyes are common. It is therefore recommended for people born in these years to carry a Pig pendant so as to alleviate the negative effects of the clash.

In Tiger Year 2010, the direction of the Grand Duke (太岁) is Northeast (东北方). Avoid travelling directly towards this direction and try not to carry out major or extensive renovation works in the Northeast sector of your house.

Some examples of famous people who are born in the Monkey Year and clash with the Tiger in 2010 are Tom Hanks, David Copperfield, Celine Dion, Lucy Liu, Cecilia Cheung, Venus Williams, Jolin Tsai, John Terry and Mahmoud Ahmadinejad. Those who are born on a Monkey Day will be affected by the clash and face challenges in 2010 as well. These people include the English footballer, David Beckham and Wayne Rooney.



**TIPS:** PEOPLE BORN IN THESE YEARS MAY CARRY A PIG PENDANT TO ALLEVIATE THE NEGATIVE EFFECTS OF THE CLASH

## 2010 MICRO PREDICTIONS



## Where is the Academic Star (文昌) in Tiger Year 2010?

**A**nother significant star that most parents would be interested is the *Academic Star* (文昌). Tiger Year 2010 sees the *Academic Star* (文昌) residing in the Northwest sector (322.5° – 337.5°). With proper guidance, school children who have their study desks placed in this sector will be able to enjoy good grades and success in examinations. Please bear in mind that this is a generic application. A more detailed and accurate analysis by a professional Feng Shui practitioner is still required for a more customised and exact placement.



## 2010 MICRO PREDICTIONS

### So, Who's Enjoying Good Luck in Tiger Year 2010?

**T**he Tiger (寅) combines with the Pig (亥) in what is commonly known as the *Six Combinations* (六合), and with the Horse (午) and Dog (戌) in *Triple Combinations* (三合). People born in the year of Pig, Horse and Dog will therefore be in harmony and enjoy good luck in Tiger Year 2010. However, this is only a generic assessment and should not be taken strictly or seriously as an analysis of one's fortunes or destiny. Four Pillars of Destiny or Ba Zi (also commonly known as Eight Characters, 八字), which is based on one's date and time of birth, offers a much more accurate and detailed analysis of one's destiny, luck and fortunes.

### Health Matters



**D**ifferent body parts or organs are represented by different Heavenly Stems (天干) and Earthly Branches (地支). Year 2010 is governed by the Golden Tiger (庚寅). Metal, generally, is associated with the lungs. People who are born in the Year of Snake and Monkey, have to take extra care of their health in Tiger Year 2010. Health problems related to the heart and respiratory system could arise. Besides regular exercise (not strenuous exercises) to increase our metabolism rate and improve our immune system, which is represented by the Water element (水), sufficient intake of Vitamin B, C and E, which are effective anti-oxidants, will also help in alleviating the imbalances.

# 2010 PREDICTIONS FOR *Stock & Property Market*

**T**he stock market outlook for Tiger Year 2010 is volatile and tricky. Investors still adopt a conservative stance and speculative mood is highly changeable. It was correctly predicted that the stock market would pick up in March in Ox Year 2009. It was surprising that the upward trend actually continued till the end of the year. Economy in Tiger Year 2010 is more stable but stability is hanging on a thin thread as terrorist threats and international conflicts could be rampant. Growth is on the cards. Positive results in the stock market will be seen in February, March and June 2010. We may also anticipate favourable reports towards the end of the year, notably in October and November. Brace yourself for a roller coaster ride. Know your limits and pull out before it is too late.

The property market for Tiger Year 2010 will be vibrant and active. As the economy starts to pick up and stabilise, buyers and investors will again flock to showrooms to sniff out good deals. There could be some amendments to the regulations in the property sector to cool down the sizzling hot industry.

Changes to the regulations will lead to buyers taking a step back to rethink their investment plan. Activities will again heat up in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of Year 2010. Overall, the property market will improve in Tiger Year 2010 and is very much alive and kicking. The

chances of property prices coming down are slim.

Employing elemental influences to predict the ups and downs of the stock market is a very basic form of analysis. Using this technique to forecast macro economic trends still has its own limitations. A more detailed and accurate analysis would be using the Four Pillars of Destiny or commonly known as Ba Zi (四柱八字命理分析) to predict each individual's fortune. Only then, we will be able to tell if the changing stock market or property mar-

ket is performing to the individual's advantage.

The information presented in this section is far from conclusive and should not be used as a basis for speculation.







# Which Businesses Will Do Well?

**T**he dominant Metal (金) element in Tiger Year 2010 bodes well for the Earth (土) element and Fire (火) element businesses. These include the property- or real estate-related businesses, construction and mining industries; and finance, electronics products, power & energy, oil & gas, lighting, food and entertainment businesses. The Fire (火) element businesses will enjoy favourable wealth luck in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, while the Earth (土) element businesses enjoy good times in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of the year.

The least prosperous in Tiger Year 2010 is the Wood (木) element businesses. Not only is the wealth luck absent for these businesses, they face tougher and more challenging competition too. These include the agriculture, publishing, paper, forestry, fashion, furniture and recycling businesses. Generally, a tough and difficult year ahead for these businesses.

The Wood (木) element in Tiger Year 2010 is also a good sign for the Metal (金) element and Water (水) element businesses. The Wood represents the wealth for the Metal element businesses, while it represents productivity and creativity for the Water element businesses. These include the banking, jewellery, industrial machinery, computer, high-tech industries, shipping, trading, logistic and transport businesses. They will enjoy better luck in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of the year.



# Flying Star Chart for Tiger Year 2010

Environmental or cosmic energies flow and exist in cyclical periods and change from year to year (风水轮流转). This implies that positive and negative energies exist in different directions in different years. In Tiger Year 2010, using Flying Star of Feng Shui (玄空飞星), **Star 8** takes precedence and is the dominant star. The Flying Star Chart for Tiger Year 2010 is plotted as shown:



Northwest		North		Northeast
	9	4	2	
West	1	8	6	East
	5	3	7	
Southwest		South		Southeast

**Star 8**, which is represented by the Earth (土) element, takes centre-stage in Tiger Year 2010. This means we may encounter more earthquakes in Tiger Year 2010. **Star 8** also symbolises young men or children. Parents have to be mindful that there could be more misfortune or accidents affecting children in this year. This is especially so for children born in the Year of Monkey.

**Star 5**, which is the most calamitous star, arrives in the Southwest. This inauspicious star will cause critical illness if activated. It is recommended for homes that face Southwest or have their main doors facing Southwest to hang a six-rod wind chime or 6 ancient metal coins to dissipate the negative energies. The negative energies of **Star 5** are extremely potent in May 2010.

Special precautions have to be taken for inauspicious **Star 2** and **3** too. **Star 2** and **3** arrive in the Northeast and South respectively. **Star 2** brings about sickness, while **Star 3** causes quarrels and legal entanglements. A six-rod wind chime can be used to dispel **Star 2** inauspicious energies. To dissolve the bad energies of **Star 3**, a lamp or a red mat / rug can be used.

For Tiger Year 2010, the most auspicious sector is the center. To activate the good energies, a lamp or a red mat / rug can be placed in the center of the house. Placing a water feature in this sector can bring about prosperity and unexpected wealth! Another auspicious direction is the Northwest. Installing a hi-fi system or TV in this sector can activate the positive energies.

We hope you have a better understanding of what lies ahead of us in Tiger Year 2010. We would like to wish you a very happy and prosperous Tiger Year 2010!

# BaGua

## Mirror

*a light-hearted column on ancient & cultural beliefs & practices*

FIND OUT DIFFERENT EYELID TWITCHING IMPLICATIONS  
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# What does it mean when your eyelid twitches?

We heard it too often, "My eyelid has been twitching the whole day! I think something is going to happen.....I hope it's something good."

*Blepharospasm*, or commonly known as eye twitching, is an abnormal, involuntary blinking or spasm of the eyelids. It can be induced by dry or sensitive eyes and certain medication. Stress, anxiety, lack of sleep and fatigue are also known to cause *Blepharospasm*.

We thought this may be an interesting topic as most of us may have encountered twitching eyelid once in a while. If you check the ancient books, the Chinese has an explanation for almost everything, including eyelid twitching implications. I'm not kidding, there's a different meaning for different side of twitching eyelid at different hour! This column is meant to be light hearted and fun. Do not take it too seriously and be obsessed with the implications, be it good or bad. Read it with a pinch of salt.

The chart in the next page has been translated from the ancient text.

So when your eyelid is twitching the next time, take note of which eye and the time that it starts to twitch. Refer to the chart in the next page to understand its implications. Be mindful if it means something bad or make a hearty laugh if it says good things are coming your way. If your eye continues to twitch for a long time, it means that you need to see a doctor soon!



## BA GUA MIRROR: EYELID TWITCHING

## Eye Twitching Implications

Hour	Left Eye Twitching	Right Eye Twitching
<b>Zi (子)</b> 11pm – 1am	Help is on the way. You'll receive help from Nobleman (贵人).	Get to enjoy good food & wine. Fine dining opportunities coming your way.
<b>Chou (丑)</b> 1am – 3am	Something is worrying you. You're concern about someone or something.	Someone is thinking of you.
<b>Yin (寅)</b> 3am – 5am	Someone from a faraway land will be visiting you soon.	Auspicious omen. Good things are coming your way.
<b>Mao (卯)</b> 5am – 7am	You'll be expecting a highly respected visiting guest.	Auspicious omen. You'll be at ease and lucky.
<b>Chen (辰)</b> 7am – 9am	Guest from a faraway land will be meeting up with you soon.	Possible loss of something valuable.
<b>Si (巳)</b> 9am – 11am	You may get to enjoy a treat soon.	Inauspicious omen. Beware that something bad may happen.
<b>Wu (午)</b> 11am – 1pm	You'll be having a sumptuous meal.	In harm's way. Misfortune may befall.
<b>Wei (未)</b> 1pm – 3pm	Prosperous sign. Lady Luck is smiling at you.	You'll encounter minor joyous occasion.
<b>Shen (申)</b> 3pm – 5pm	Loss of wealth.	You're dearly missed by a female acquaintance.
<b>You (酉)</b> 5pm – 7pm	There could be a guest on his/her way to meet up with you.	Faraway guest will be visiting you soon.
<b>Xu (戌)</b> 7pm – 9pm	There could be a guest turning up at your door.	There will be a gathering soon.
<b>Hai (亥)</b> 9pm – 11pm	A guest has arrived.	There could be instances of legal entanglements.

# Flying Star

## 5 January 2010 - 3 February 2010

**Flying Star** Feng Shui encompasses space and time dimensions. At different times, there will be different energy influences in different sectors. This segment presents to you the energy influences for this period of time (5 January 2010 to 3 February 2010). The effects will be more acute if you have your main door or windows in that particular sector or facing a particular direction. The following chart shares with you the implications and some recommendations. The larger number represents the annual star, while the smaller one symbolises the monthly star.

### SOUTHEAST

8<sub>2</sub>

Auspicious combination. Success could be attained. Take care of health too. Keep this sector clean & clutter free.

### SOUTH

4<sub>7</sub>

Couples could face relationship issues. Beware of triangle relationships. Stay faithful to your partner. Loss of wealth is also likely. Keep this sector bright & airy. Place clean & still water here to minimise the impact of clash of Star 4 and 7.

### SOUTHWEST

6<sub>9</sub>

This is a sign of conflict. Displeasure could be voiced out from bottom up. Place a round salt rock lamp here to induce harmony, prosperity and improve relationships.

### EAST

7<sub>1</sub>

A sign of indulgence in wine & beauty. Most likely to affect middle-aged men and young women. Place lucky bamboos in a clear vase with clean water here.

### CENTER

9<sub>3</sub>

The quarrelsome Star 3 takes centerstage this month. This implies disputes, scandals & conflicts. It is more likely to affect middle-aged women. Place a red rug in this sector to alleviate the negative energies.

### WEST

2<sub>5</sub>

This is a very bad configuration. It brings about misfortune, sickness and mishaps. Mothers of the household have to take care. Hang a six-rod windchimes as a remedy.

### NORTHEAST

3<sub>6</sub>

Disagreements between the males are likely to happen. There could also be foot injuries. Place a lamp in this sector to dissipate the negative energies.

### NORTH

5<sub>8</sub>

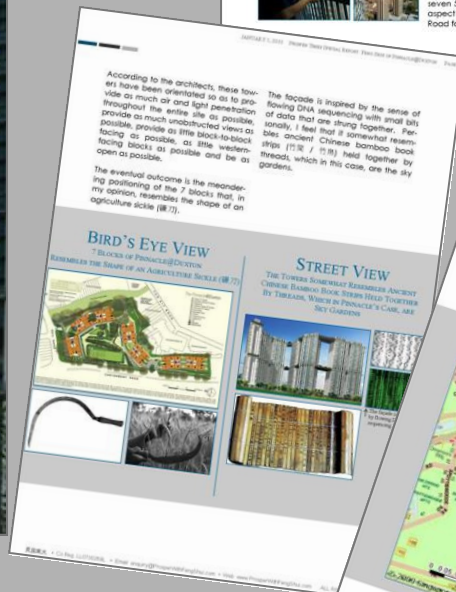
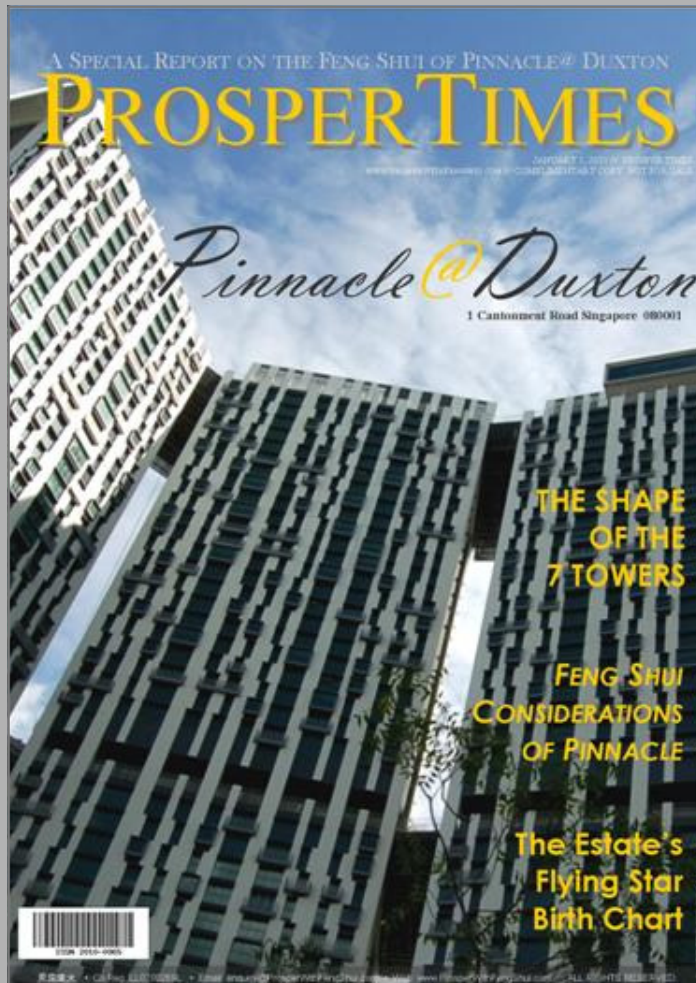
Some wealth luck in this month. Place a crystal bull in this sector to enhance the positive energies. Do not be complacent. There could be injuries to children. Take care of health as well.

### NORTHWEST

1<sub>4</sub>

This combination portrays achievements in the academic realm. If the study desk of a child is placed in this sector, he/she is most likely to obtain good results in school.

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