

## INDEPENDENT STUDY: Module 2, Class 17

Hello students,
Now that you have built a strong foundation, here is the next step in your seashell reading lessons. You will find another homework exercise at the end of this class. Please let me know if you have any questions on this material.
Many Seashell Blessings to you!
Shell

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The mp4 recording for Class 17 is about 18 minutes long. However, this class is very interactive and involves pausing the recording for you to write down your own insights throughout the class.

Class 17: Shell \#s 194, 10
In Class 16, we began our journey into the world of shell reading using the Nassa, and Sunburst Carrier shells. You met 4 imaginary clients who either liked or disliked these shells. Based upon their reactions to these shells, you discovered that you were able to distinguish between them.


Client 1: Wanted to be alone, and was willing to do anything to accomplish that.

Client 2: Wanted to be alone, but had limits as to what he was willing to do.

Client 3: Craved companionship and was willing to do anything to accomplish that.

Client 4: Craved companionship, but had limits as to what he was willing to do.

This helped us determine who would answer the knock at the door or the doorbell and who would ignore these intrusions. We also discovered who was willing to go anywhere with anyone and who might refuse some activity if the discomfort outweighed the benefits of the companionship.

Even though we can separate these clients, we only had two shells, and could only speak in generalities. To gain more details, we began adding more shells to these clients' selections.

Using his attraction to the Trivia and Angaria Delphinula, we were able to gain more insights on the lengths to which Client \#1 would go to achieve his goal.

If Client \# 1 likes the Nassa "Believing the ends justify the means" and likes the Sunburst Carrier "Preferring to be alone", and he also likes the Solander's Trivia "Trivial, unimportant" and likes the Angaria Delphinula "Arguments, anger, it would look like the reading below.


Liking the Nassa means he will do whatever it takes to achieve his goal, and with this client, the goal is to be alone.

In this reading, the Trivia and Delphinula tell us what action he is willing to take to achieve his goal... starting trivial arguments, fighting over nothing. This client might start a fight over something trivial just to part ways.

We looked at another client who selected this combination: If a client likes \#35 Nassa "Ends justify the means", but dislikes \#6 Sunburst Carrier "Preferring to be alone", he does not want to be alone, and will do anything for company. This client also dislikes \#171 Angaria Delphinula "Arguments, anger."


He will do anything for company, so he will never argue, or get angry because he believes that would risk being left alone.

Remember that Nassa means the client will do anything within his/her moral compass.

Using this pattern to look at shell interactions, let's try a few more combinations. We will begin slowly looking at another two-shell combination and watch it grow. I will post a combination, and give you the meanings for the individual shells. You don't have to memorize the meanings; I am interested in how you interpret the combination. As we add more shells, there are many possible answers that would capture the essence of these clients.

In a sentence or two, what would you conclude if a woman liked shell \#35 Nassa Snail "Believing that the ends justify the means" and liked \#84 Money Cowrie shell, "Money abundance, prosperity"?

Client \#5:


She believes that she should do whatever it takes to get money.

With only these two shells to go on, if these shells reflect her belief that she is justified to do whatever it takes in order to get money, what if she adds liking \#104 PreciousWentletrap "Con man, fraud, deceit".

Client \#5:


Can you think of a way she may behave that demonstrates this combination? There are many possibilities here, more than one right answer.

My thought: Her pursuit of money involves criminal activity of some kind...deceive someone to get their money. Stealing, scams, or even revealing someone's secrets for profit...blackmail. She is willing to do whatever it takes within her own moral compass, and with Wentletrap that includes deceit.

What if another client, likes \#35" Ends justify the means", \#84 "Money abundance prosperity", and \#194 Candelabra Trophon. This is a new shell meaning "Burning the candle at both ends, taking on too many projects". As you can see by the number 194, it is a member of the Intuition Group, so I don't have a reason for this meaning. The phrase "burning the candle at both ends" refers to someone working long hours with little rest, working day and night.

Client \#6:


What would this tell you about her method for accumulating money?

My thought: She might be taking on an enormous workload such as holding down two full-time jobs to earn more money.

What if the client who liked \#35" The ends justify the means", \#84 "Money abundance prosperity", \#104 "Con man, fraud, deceit", also likes shell \#54 Green Tree Snail, "Willingness to change one's comfort zone".

Client \#5:


How does that change the message?

She is changing her comfort zone around previous behavior, so she is no longer willing to continue with whatever method she is using to gain money. With Wentletrap, if criminal activity were acceptable behavior, \#54 indicates that she is no longer as comfortable with some of her methods to make money. Maybe she is starting to care if her quest for money ends up hurting others. We don't know what her motivation is, or what behavior she will change, just that she has decided this behavior no longer serves her.

What if she likes \#35 "Ends justify the means", and \#84 "Money abundance prosperity",\#104 "Con man, fraud, deceit", and also likes \#88 Imperial Harp Shell "Changing negative behaviors voluntarily, or by force". This is different from the message with the Green Tree Snail.

## How would \#88 Imperial Harp Shell change this message?

Client \#5 alternative shells:


Now if she has not decided to change on her own, she will be forced to make changes.
(Notice the difference: The change from the Green Tree Snail is from within and is heartfelt. This would be more permanent than being forced to change. With Imperial Harp, she has the opportunity to choose to change, but if she does not do this willingly, outside circumstances will make her change.)

This is where more shells can help shed light on this. I am going to add one more shell to the mix. The Crown Conch, is shell \#10 in Ocean Oracle. I once read an account of the methods used by the crown conch in hunting its prey. It said they could attack an animal three times their size, and win. They may sneak around the prey to attack from behind, or sometimes work together in a group effort to circle their prey. At an opportune moment, responding to some signal, they strike as one unit. The expression came to my mind that "they always get their man." This behavior reminded me of a posse surrounding a villain and recommending surrender. In addition, the shell's name comes from the upper region which resembles a crown, the ornate head ornament worn by the ruler of a monarchy. The Crown represents the government of a country, the ultimate law. Accordingly, the meaning of this shell is "lawyers, court, legal mediation".
http://www.melevsreef.com/pics/0404/conch.html photo series of crown conch mollusk. See if you can spot the operculum on the lower photos. (Hint: there is a nice close-up from the rear view of the shell.)
http://www.jaxshells.org/corona1113.htm diversity of crown conch shells, many mollusk photos
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Crown Interesting information about the concept of The Crown

If the client who liked \#35 "Ends justify the means", and \#84 "Money abundance prosperity", \#104 "Con man, fraud, deceit", and \#88 Imperial Harp Shell "Changing negative behaviors voluntarily, or by force" also liked \#10 Crown Conch "lawyers, court, legal mediation," she would have this combination.

Client \#5:


What would this new shell meaning "lawyers, court, legal mediation" add to her message?

The shells would be suggesting that if she does not stop voluntarily, she could end up in jail to force an end to her criminal activity as her way to make money.

You just did a 5-shell reading!

Let's return to the other client who liked \#35 "The ends justify the means", \#84 "Money abundance prosperity", and \#194 Candelabra Trophon "Burning the candle at both ends, taking on too many projects". What if she also likes \#54 Green Tree Snail, "Willingness to change one's comfort zone".

Client \#6:


How does that change the message?

If it is a change of comfort zone around working $24 / 7$ to earn money, she is feeling that this is getting old. Been there done that, don't want to do that anymore. She may find this has become limiting in some way...we don't know her motive, possibly her lack of social life is not worth it, or her lack of sleep is taking a toll. All we know is she feels that burning the candle at both ends in pursuit of money no longer serves her.

Now let's look at the same client who likes \#35 "Ends justify the means", \#84 "Money abundance prosperity", and \#194 Candelabra Trophon "Burning the candle at both ends, taking on too many projects". But instead of the Green Tree Snail, what if she also likes shell \#88 "Changing negative behaviors voluntarily, or by force" and likes \#72 Quahog Clam "Heart health, blood pressure, doctors, and hospitals".

Client \#6 alternative shells:


What details do these two last shells add to her alternative message?

Imperial Harp would tell us that if she does not change voluntarily, something will force her to change. And with Quahog Clam, she is risking her health. If she became ill, she would certainly have to cease whatever she was doing to make money.

You just did another 5-shell reading. Congratulations! ©

Now that you recognize the importance of a client's reactions to these shells, it is time for a homework exercise to give you more practice. You will meet four clients who selected the same two shells, but differed greatly in their reactions. I look forward to your insights.

## HOMEWORK \#4

If 4 different clients select the Watering Pot and then added the Green Tree Snail, how would the interpretation of their readings differ based upon the following reactions to these two shells?

What if the client liked the Watering Pot and disliked the Green Tree Snail?
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Hint: We can make a chart with the meaning if you like the Watering Pot, and if you don't like it, and if you like the Green Tree Snail, and if you don't. Then you can combine the combinations to match each client above.

First shell $=$ Watering Pot
Like=Willing to reap what you sow, take responsibility for your actions
Dislike=Not willing to take responsibility, tendency to blame others

## $\underline{\text { Second shell }=\text { Green Tree Snail }}$

Like $=$ Willing to change your comfort zone, something is getting old or no longer serves you.
Dislike=Not willing to change your comfort zone

Please email me with your insights for these 4 clients.

