
January Third



THE DAY OF TOTAL INVOLVEMENT

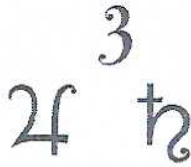
Once a January 3 person commits to a person or project they are in one hundred percent. Their involvement with practically any activity they take on is total, and rarely or ever will they seek to back out or quit. This can create problems for them (and for those with whom they are involved) when things are not working out, as those born on this day often cannot or will not acknowledge such a failure. When things are going well they are the most reliable individuals to have on the job—watchful, diligent, devoted. They do not get bored with even the simplest tasks, primarily because they have a strong sense of duty. Those born on this day will not shirk their responsibilities because they know that to do so is just to dump their work on someone else, and this will not do.

January 3 people are both persuasive and stubborn. Consequently, those who wish to back out of an arrangement with them may find it difficult or near impossible to just walk away. January 3 people are capable of bringing enormous pressure to bear on others to get them to do their bidding. They may use secretive means to subtly tighten the screws, or perhaps humor or even outright seduction, since they know what people like. Yet in business matters they will rarely be accused of taking advantage of others for their private ends, since their sense of fealty to their organization or cause is beyond reproach.

January 3 people do not mind being in the line of fire. They can turn aggressive when challenged, but otherwise avoid confrontations and in general appear polite and well-mannered. Their sophistication is of the charming variety, as it is composed not merely of knowledge and refinement but also has a measure of street sense in it as well. Raconteurs, aficionados of the good things in life, those born on this day display a strong earthy quality. Generally they give the choice to the other person whether things get done pleasantly or unpleasantly—but get done they will!

Because of their persuasive powers and strong willfulness, January 3 people can be overbearing and impossible in certain situations. The frustration of those involved with them can bounce off the scale and simmering angers can boil over on both sides. But in fact, it is more often the temper of the other party which is lost. January 3 people are highly controlled, which is part of the reason they win out in most confrontations. A familiar ploy is for them to appear to give up, while all the while marshaling their forces to return to battle on a better day. In reality they never give up on a matter which deeply concerns them.

January 3 people must beware of surrendering too much of their individuality to group endeavors. They should seek a profession in which they are able to put their personal stamp on whatever they do and balance individual freedom with duty in an appropriate ratio. Spiritual goals should not be left out of the equation, or sacrificed in the name of getting the job done.



NUMBERS AND PLANETS

Those born on the 3rd of the month are ruled by the number 3 and by the planet Jupiter. Those ruled by the number 3 tend to rise to high positions in their sphere, and can be dictatorial when they get there. Since Saturn rules Capricorn, January 3 people know how to put limitations on themselves and rarely fall victim to unrealistic jupiterian optimism. The mutual influence of Jupiter and Saturn lends ambition, but also honor and trustworthiness, to their efforts. Those ruled by the number 3 value their independence, and can do very well for themselves in business, but unfortunately many January 3 people get stuck in company jobs, due to their dedication and abundance of loyalty.

TAROT

The 3rd card of the Major Arcana is The Empress, symbolizing creative intelligence. She is the perfect woman, the ultra-feminine, Mother Earth nurturer, who embodies our dreams, hopes and aspirations. This card represents positive traits of charm, grace and unconditional love, but also negative traits of vanity and affectation, as well as an intolerance for imperfection. Her steadfast qualities are often exemplified in January 3 people, who, as mentioned above, make faithful friends and loyal family members.

HEALTH

Those born on January 3 are sensible enough to schedule regular dental and medical checkups for themselves. Yet too often they are ready to sacrifice their health and well-being for their work. Consequently it is important that from an early age, habits promoting a nourishing diet, personal hygiene and regular sleep become ingrained. Strenuous physical exercise, not excluding competitive team or one-on-one sports, is highly recommended for those born on this day. January 3 people should beware of skin disorders and allergies of all types.

ADVICE

You don't always have to win. Being invulnerable doesn't make you well-liked. Don't expect everyone to be as committed as you are. Recognize and respect differences.

MEDITATION

To desire without any wish for attachment is a high aim