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LENORMAND READING

In-depth report

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THE QUESTION

> *I am going to receive a visit that makes me unsettled. What should I expect from this meeting?*

1	Where it comes from	**Book**
2	What is at stake	**Snake**
3	Where it leads	**Tree**

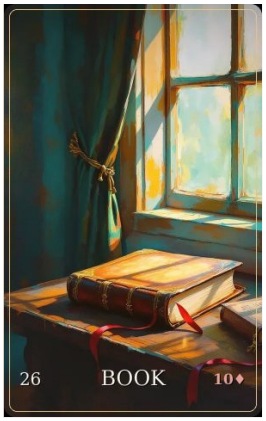
The question and what the spread answers

Your question, Marta, brings to the table a very concrete worry about an upcoming visit. Beneath the doubt about what to expect from this encounter, the real question

your inner self is asking is another: to what extent you should keep your defences raised and what this person is bringing with them that they have not yet revealed. The spread answers this concern very directly, showing that your intuition is not mistaken when you feel this tightness in your chest. There is a tone of reservation and some annoyance to this coming, but the final outcome is not unfavourable to you if you know how to act with the necessary firmness.

The mood of this layout is divided and in an unstable balance, featuring a neutral card, a heavy card and a favourable card. This indicates that the outcome of the encounter is not entirely written in the stars, as it is a matter that is still open and will depend largely on your stance. The tension plays out above all in the realm of your personal security, your privacy and the protection of what you have built with effort. We are not facing a situation of tragic breakdown, but rather a test of your resilience and your ability not to let yourself be influenced by winding conversations or half-truths.

Where it comes from



1 · Book

The Book is the card that opens this spread and shows us where this matter comes from. When we look at this card, we see the classic representation of a closed, heavy volume that keeps within its written pages knowledge that is not accessible to just anyone. The concrete word this card represents is the secret, silence and everything that is kept hidden or yet to be revealed. It speaks of the lack of clarity that precedes this encounter and the fact that there is information that has not been transmitted to you in full regarding the real intentions of this visit.

In this position of origin, the presence of the Book indicates that the relationship with this person or the very scheduling of this visit is rooted in things left unsaid in the past. There is a history of unresolved matters or of intentions that were deliberately concealed from you. This card would not have the same weight elsewhere; if it were at the end of the spread, it would indicate a solution that requires study and discretion,

but here, at the starting point, it shows that the very contact which generated the encounter was already laden with omissions. You feel this barrier of silence and from there arises your current restlessness.

The Book touches the next card directly, exercising a modifying action upon it. By linking to the Snake, the Book shows that the previous silence was not a mere innocent oversight, but rather a deliberate strategy. The secret here qualifies the complication that follows, indicating that the person in question kept their true motivations to themselves to prevent you from preparing beforehand. This pair reveals that the lack of clear information was used as a tool to maintain a position of advantage over you, later connecting to the need for stability that the Tree represents.

What is at stake



2 · Snake

The Snake appears at the heart of this spread as the card defining what is at stake at this moment. The image on this card shows the reptile crawling close to the ground, advancing through curves and detours, never making a direct path. The concrete word that defines this card is complication, detour and the need for redoubled care. This is not a force to be fought head-on, but rather an energy that acts behind your back, indirectly, demanding your constant attention to detail and to the subtext of what will be said during the encounter.

In this central position, which rules the entire spread, the Snake answers your worry directly, confirming that the visit brings its own agenda and lacks clarity. This card in this place shows that the encounter will not be easy or transparent; there will be an attempt to bypass your boundaries or to obtain something from you that you do not wish to give, whether an answer, a favour or a concession of personal space. If this card were in the final position, it would carry the danger of a blow hard to avoid, but being in the centre, it warns me that complication is the very terrain where the encounter will unfold, allowing you to prepare your defence.

The Snake acts very markedly upon its two neighbouring cards. It receives the venom of the secret that the Book brought from the past and casts its shadow upon the Tree, which is the next card. The pair formed by the Snake and the Tree shows us that the complication this person brings will try to infiltrate your stability and your family or personal peace. The Snake tries to coil around the trunk of the Tree to sap its strength, meaning the goal of the visit is to destabilise what you consider secure and firm in your current life. It is up to you not to let this detour take deep roots in your day-to-day life.

Where it leads



3 · Tree

The Tree is the card that closes the spread and indicates where the situation tends to head if you manage the encounter with due caution. In the image of this card we see a leafy tree, with deep roots driven into the earth and branches stretching towards the sky. The concrete word this card translates is stability, vitality and slow but secure growth. It represents everything that takes time to build and that, having solid foundations, is not easily knocked down by the first strong wind that passes.

In this final position, the Tree brings a message of great relief regarding the question you asked. It shows that, despite the presence of the Snake in the centre of the layout, the final outcome of the encounter leans towards the preservation of your security and your emotional health. This card in this place indicates that the stability of your home and your intimate life is stronger than any attempt at destabilisation this visit may bring. If the Tree were in the first position, it would speak of a stagnant situation from which the matter came, but here it shows that the storm passes and your roots remain intact.

The neighbourhood relationship between the Snake and the Tree is the critical point of this reading. The Snake modifies the Tree by bringing it a test of endurance, but the Tree also neutralises the Snake's venom through its solidity and slowness. This combination shows that the best way to respond to the complications this visit brings is

stillness and a refusal to make quick decisions. The reptile cannot knock down an ancient tree; it can only crawl around it. By holding firm to your purposes and not yielding to immediate pressures, you ensure the encounter ends without causing real harm to your life and your personal structure, leaving the future free of negative ramifications from this contact.

The reading as a whole

When we look at the three cards laid out on the table, we perceive that this spread draws a very clear path going from shadow to light, passing through a narrow gorge. The scales of the table appear balanced, with the **Book** representing the neutrality of silence, the **Snake** bringing the heavy energy of distrust, and the **Tree** returning stability and security to you. We do not have the presence of human figures like the Man or the Woman here, which indicates that the focus of the issue is not on the identity of the people themselves, but rather on the forces and attitudes each brings to the table. The matter plays out entirely in the realm of your territorial protection and emotional integrity.

The main line of force in this spread lies in the contrast and tension between the **Snake** and the **Tree**. While the Snake represents the speed of the stealthy attack, sinuosity and impermanence, the Tree represents the opposite: solidity, permanence and a refusal to move from its rightful place. The **Book**, by hiding the Snake within its pages, warns that the danger does not come from an open confrontation, but rather from a conversation that seems harmless and hides ulterior motives. These cards answer one another by showing that the only way to defeat the Snake's cunning is to adopt the firm, patient posture of the Tree. Any attempt to argue, to retaliate in kind or to enter into verbal disputes will only give more power to the reptile's venom.

The movement in time is very sharp. The matter began with the creation of a mystery or an information barrier by whoever is visiting you, represented by the **Book**. This lack of clarity generated your current restlessness. At the moment of the encounter, which corresponds to the **Snake**, the truth behind that silence will come to the surface

in the form of a demand or a proposal requiring your discernment. However, the flow of the spread shows this disturbance is temporary. As time passes after the visit, the dust settles and the **Tree** assumes control of the situation, restoring order, peace and security in your space. The point where you can still alter the course of events lies precisely in the transition between what you hear and how you react: if you refuse the haste the Snake tries to impose, success is guaranteed.

The frank answer to your question is that you should expect an attempt at manipulation or intrusion into your personal life from this encounter, disguised as courtesy or a matter of little importance. The person visiting you does not come with total transparency and brings a proposal or attitude aimed at their own benefit, with little regard for your well-being. Yet the spread warns that the price to pay for this encounter is merely your temporary patience. If you know how to listen without committing yourself, keeping your secrets well guarded and your posture firm like a trunk, the visitor will leave your house without taking anything they intended and your life will resume its healthy growth without any lingering sequels.

Advice

Silence as protection

The **Book** that opens the spread teaches that information is your greatest shield in this encounter. Avoid revealing your personal projects, your financial situation or your deepest feelings to this visitor, even if the conversation seems to lead that way. The less they know about you at this moment, the less margin they will have to create complications in your life. Let the other person talk and keep your thoughts to yourself.

The refusal of haste

Haste is the tool the **Snake** uses to make you commit mistakes. If during the encounter you are asked for an immediate response, a commitment or a stance on any matter, use the slowness of the **Tree** to your advantage. Answer that you need time to think and will not make any decision on the spot. Do not let yourself be dragged along by the

rhythm imposed by the other.

Firmness in your territory

The **Tree** demands that you sink your roots into the earth and yield no unnecessary space. Establish clear boundaries regarding the duration of this visit and the topics you are willing to debate. Your personal space is sacred and must be protected against any attempt at invasion or indirect control. Maintain your firm posture, with politeness but without concessions.

What not to do at all

The neighbourhood between the **Book** and the **Snake** warns that trying to unmask the other person aggressively or entering into direct confrontations is a grave mistake. Do not try to prove you know what they are hiding or enter into arguments about the past. That will only serve to spread the venom and prolong the stay of this harmful influence in your life. Ignore the provocations and keep your focus on your peace.

Signs of confirmation

In the weeks following this encounter, pay attention to how your energy recovers after the visitor leaves. The sign that your path of protection succeeded will be an immediate sensation of relief and purification of your home's atmosphere, confirming that the **Tree** kept its roots healthy. If, conversely, you notice the visitor attempting persistent phone contacts or messages after the encounter, that will be the warning that the **Snake** still seeks a breach in your structure, demanding that you keep your **Book** closed and your silence active. It is up to you, Marta, to decide the depth with which you will allow this visit to touch your soil.

About the pictures on the cards

The description of each card in this report follows the original iconography of the Tarot, which is what gives it its meaning. The decks do not always reproduce it in full: a detail described in the text may not be visible in the painting in front of you. In that case it is the text that the card is read by — it carries the traditional meaning.

The code for this spread

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baralho: cigano
cartas: G26, G7, G5
pergunta: I am going to receive a visit that makes me unsettled. What should I expect from this meeting?
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