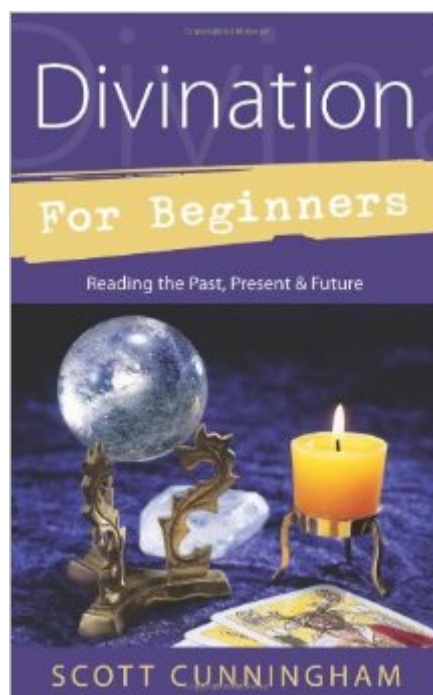


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# Divination For Beginners: Reading The Past, Present & Future (For Beginners (Llewellyn's))



## Synopsis

Anyone can practice divination. You don't need to be psychic, or believe that a higher power controls the cards. Anyone can learn to predict the future using the methods described in this book. Learn how to choose the methods that works best for you, and ask the right questions so you get accurate answers. Discover the secrets of a wide variety of methods, from Tarot cards and the I Ching to crystal gazing, palmistry, and even reading signs and omens in the world around you. The real value of divination is in planning and prevention. If you like the answers you receive, continue on. If it looks like trouble ahead, adjust your course of action and see how your new plan affects the outcome. In this way you can use divination to fine tune your future and start living the life you've always dreamed of.

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## Customer Reviews

Intriguing read, wonderful content for future reference. Scott Cunningham's grace throughout, and concise introductions to an unbelievable number of divining techniques. Although this book won't really help one to become proficient in any particular art, it gets them started, and points a person in the right direction. I especially liked the neat idea of using Scrabble pieces to divine. Walmart sells just the scrabble pieces with a pouch in their scrapbooking section, a perfect purchase to go along with this divination suggestion.

The book provides a number of types of divination, but didn't really explain well how to do them. If

you're interested in the origins of certain divinations, this is a good book. If you want to learn divination, then keep looking...

This book is a great primer for divination. Yes, I realize it is for beginners (yes, I was one at the time I purchased and read it). No, it does not cover many of the subjects that I've had to look elsewhere to learn about, and the ones it does cover are not as in-depth as I expected from a Cunningham book. I also greatly disagree, in hindsight, with many of the classifications of the various techniques. For example, tarot is under the 'advanced techniques' portion of the books with only a small section (5 pages not including card descriptions, the majority of which is history) and no spreads offered despite being arguably the most popular form of divination today. Pendulums, as another example, receive two pages in the 'other techniques' section. Compare these with the section on mantic arts involving water, which spans more than 10 pages. The information offered is also slightly skewed in favor of history and theory rather than actual technique. I found the amounts to be disproportionate, as there are roughly 75 pages of history and 125 pages of practical technique (each of which includes a detailed history of the particular art). The last 40 pages are a glossary, appendix and index. This is personal opinion, of course, but I expected more practical information. Overall I do not regret the purchase and am happy to have it in my personal library (Cunningham is a phenomenal author and I view his works as essential to my collection), but I did have to explore several other sources in order to get a grip on even the basics of divination.

Art of Divination by Scott Cunningham provides more divination sources you could ever possibly imagine. But certainly, the best part of the book is the first chapter, providing you useful information regarding time, symbolism and future modification. If you are intrigued for your future, this book will help you to responsibly find an alternative way to look at it.

I adore this book! It starts out with some history, then moves on to practices and tips and tricks. I'm a professional diviner, but I still love this book. It has a wealth of resources and history. I really do enjoy this book. It's an easy read as well. Would definitely recommend to anyone, and would definitely buy again.

Scott Cunningham is always a wonderful read and this will be one also. Of course, the first thing his preliminary test said to do pointed out that I should wait a bit before continuing on researching within the book. As it turns out--all came to me--as it should. Maybe all I needed to do was touch the book

and read the first few pages to make the next move clear to me. Very appropriate for Scott's work.

This book covers a lot on divination. This is the one you go to when you want to try divination but don't know what you want. It has some like my personal favorite the tarot, and it also covers some forms that seem like superstitions but cool they're covered and discussed any how. Definately fun to read.

Repetitive, redundant, superfluous and lackluster are characterizations which come to mind. Replete with errors is another. Some, like the one on p.160, could have been caught by more intensive proof-reading, and I understand that author Cunningham may not have been well when he wrote it, but the one on p.169 is a doozy! Still, the book gives the beginning seeker an idea of what divination is about.

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