

VISION 1A OF ATHENA: THE GENERAL

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- Reread it.
- Then decide who of the others will play each part.
- Then read it aloud and assign the roles to the other two players.
- Then act out the vision.

When I become a priestess, I will be a general.

A leader of Athena's warriors.

We are on a mountain top. The battle is all around us. We are battling evil men.

I see YOU TWO. You are my sister priestesses. You are my captains.

YOU come now from the east. You say that our rear guard troop must be withdrawn, or the rear guard troop will get killed.

YOU come now from the west. You say that the rear guard troop must be sacrificed. We must move the rest of the army to surprise the enemy.

You argue. I listen. I make a decision.

I may choose to sacrifice the rear guard. They will die, but we will win the battle.

I may choose to withdraw the rear guard. The battle will not be won: we will have to fight for many weeks more.

I may choose to do something else.

I decide.

In the end, YOU TWO support me in my decision. The love bond between us sisters is powerful.

I call down Athena's fire over the enemy soldiers in the valley below to help our army.

The power within me is incredible.

It is the best feeling I have ever had.

What else do I do with it?

I end the vision by CLAPPING THREE TIMES.

VISION 1B OF ATHENA: THE GENERAL

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- Then read it aloud and assign the roles to the other two players.
- Then act out the vision.

When I become a priestess, I will be a general.

A leader of Athena's warriors.

I see YOU, you are my sister priestess.

I see YOU, you are the leader of our enemies.

We are on a hill.

Our forces are defeating evil.

Our arrows stream with red blood.

My sister priestess comes to me with the captured leader of our enemy.

Does he curse or does he beg for his people? His life?

We sisters discuss the battle. The love bond between us sisters is powerful.

My sister asks me: do we kill him; do we make him a slave; do we forgive him.

I decide.

The power within me is incredible.

It is the best feeling I have ever had.

What else do I do with it?

I end the vision by CLAPPING THREE TIMES.

VISION 2A OF ATHENA: THE JUDGE

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- Then read it aloud and assign the roles.
- Then act out the vision.

When I become a priestess, I will be the Goddess' hand on earth.

I see YOU TWO. You are kings, bitter enemies. You come before me reluctantly.

You tell me how long you have fought.

You tell me why you have fought, why it started.

I will ask you questions.

And I will decide what happens.

I may execute one of you with my magic here and now.

I may execute you both.

I may make you swear oaths to each other

I may make you swear oaths to me.

I may choose another solution.

The power within me is incredible.

It is the best feeling I have ever had.

What else do I do with it?

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When I become a priestess, I will be the Goddess' hand on earth.

I see YOU TWO. You are two newlyweds.

You tell me that YOU TWO have married each other in secret.

You tell me that your fathers, two kings, fight.

You each tell me why they hate your marriage.

You each tell me what your father wishes to do to you.

I will ask you questions.

And I will decide what happens.

I may execute one of you newlyweds for faithlessness to their parents and country.

I may execute you both.

I may bless your marriage and force your parents to accept it

I may demand a sacrifice from you (your firstborn, your eternal devotion, your charity to the poor)

I may make you swear oaths to each other

I may make you swear oaths to me.

I may choose another solution.

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It is the best feeling I have ever had.

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VISION 3A OF ATHENA: THE SORCERESS

- Read the vision to yourself.
- Reread it.
- Then decide who of the others will play each part.
- Then read it aloud and assign the roles
- Then act out the vision.

When I become a priestess, I will finally have power in the world of men.

I see YOU - you are a dead woman.

I see YOU - you are Athena herself.

Athena lifts me up.

She smiles.

She runs her hands over my body, part by part.

I feel how magic blossoms there.

I grow more and more powerful.

I use my magic to give life to a dead tree.

Then I wake the dead woman from the dead - slowly, but certainly.

She thanks me.

She tells me who killed her.

I give her power to avenge herself.

The power within me is incredible.

It is the best feeling I have ever had.

What else do I do with it?

I end the vision by CLAPPING THREE TIMES.

VISION 3B FROM ATHENA - THE SORCERESS

- Read the vision to yourself.
- Reread it.
- Then decide who of the others will play each part.
- Then read it aloud and assign the roles
- Then act out the vision.

When I become a priestess, I will finally have power in the world of men.

I see YOU - you are Athena herself.

I see YOU - you are a hell monster sent by Hades to try to get into the world at eat people.

The monster tries to get passed me.

Athena hums behind me, her hands on my shoulders.

Athena channels all her power into me. I hum with her, matching her tone.

We sing louder and louder.

Little by little we drive the monster away.

Once the monster is defeated, it is nearly dead.

What do I do with it?

Do I take it for my own?

Do I kill it?

Do I turn it into something else?

The power within me is incredible.

It is the best feeling I have ever had.

What else do I do with it?

I end the vision by CLAPPING THREE TIMES.

VENGEANCE VISION OF DIONYSOS

- Read the vision to yourself.
- Reread it.
- Decide who will play what other part.
- Feel free to invent more roles for other people to play (e.g. other Dionysos followers).
- Read the vision out loud.
- Then act it out.

If I become a priestess of Dionysos, I will have Vengeance.

YOU are -----

This is what you once did to me:-----

You you know you are hunted. You try to escape me.

I will hunt you down.

With my magic I will bring you pain.

Then I will choose what to do with you.

I end the vision by clapping three times.

DEATH AND BLOOD VISION OF DIONYSOS

- Read the vision to yourself.
- Reread it.
- Decide who will play what other part.
- Feel free to invent more roles for other people to play (e.g. other Dionysos followers).
- Read the vision out loud.
- Then act it out.

If I become a priestess of Dionysos, I will bathe in blood.

YOU are -----

This is what you once did to me:-----

You you know you are hunted. You try to escape me.

I will hunt you down.

I will crush every bone in your body.

I will paint myself with your blood.

I will tear your body to pieces.

I end the vision by clapping three times.

LUST VISION OF DIONYSOS

- Read the vision to yourself.
- Reread it.
- Decide who will play what other part.
- Read the vision out loud.
- Then act it out.

If I become a priestess of Dionysos, I will know lust.

YOU are -----

This is what you once did to me:-----

I will come to you, and you will want me.

You will worship me.

You will become lost in the madness with me.

I will touch you and you will choose to give yourself to me, in some fashion.

I end the vision by clapping three times.

PUNISHMENT VISION OF DIONYSOS

- Read the vision to yourself.
- Reread it.
- Decide who will play what other part.
- Read the vision out loud.
- Then act it out.

If I become a priestess of Dionysos, I will punish those who have wronged me.

YOU are -----

This is how you once wronged me-----

You will come crawling to me.

You will beg forgiveness and mercy

I will punish you with my magic

I might change you into some animal or object

I might cause you pain

I might drive you mad

I will choose whether to forgive you or punish you more.

I end the vision by clapping three times.

LOVE VISION OF DIONYSOS

- Read the vision to yourself.
- Reread it.
- Decide who will play what other part.
- Read the vision out loud.
- Then act it out.

If I become a priestess of Dionysos, I will know love.

YOU are -----

This is what you once did to me:-----

I will come to you, and you will want me.

You will worship me and tell me that you love me.

We will hold hands and know that our souls are connected

We will tell the other how much we mean to each other.

I end the vision by clapping three times.

VISION FROM HESTIA

- Read the vision to yourself.
- Reread it.
- Then decide who of the others will play each part. Suggestions:
 - Father (Describe them)
 - Mother (Describe them).
 - Future child(ren) that could be
 - Future partner that could be.
- Then read it aloud and assign the roles
- Then act out the vision.

I remember the good, joyful parts of my life out in the world.

Or the life I one day could have.

Free from Athena. Free from Dionysos.

YOU, you are my _____.

And YOU, you are my _____.

Right now, my soul cries out for you.

I must now tell you that I will cut my cord with you forever from the tapestry of life.

No one will remember our connection.

You will try to get me to stay.

In the end I will cut the cord with you. It will hurt my soul.

This will only be a dream.

So that I will know what awaits me. When I choose for real.

MODERN PRAYER TO ATHENA

*Clear-eyed Athena, unrivaled in wisdom,
daughter of Zeus and Metis whose craft and wit
excelled among the mighty Titans: Athena,
I pray to you. Wise in all things you are, goddess;
your cunning and guile are well known. In time of war
you have no equal in tactics or in strategy;
many armies have you guided to victory.
In time of peace your blessings fall on those whose work
is of the mind—friend of the philosopher,
the scientist, the student. Advisor of kings,
patron of clever heroes and bold-hearted
adventurers, defender of the thinker,
mistress of reason and understanding, goddess
to whom a strong arm and a sharp sword are nothing
without the sense to wield them well and the insight
to know when words are worth more than weapons.
Athena, grant me a sound mind and steady temper,
bless me with good judgment, show me the long view.*

HOMERIC PRAYER TO ATHENA

*I begin to sing of Pallas Athena, the dread Protectress of the city,
who with Ares looks after matters of war, the plundering of cities, the battle-cry
and the fray.*

*It is She who protects the people, wherever they might come or go.
Hail, Goddess, and give us good spirits and blessed favor!*

ORPHIC PRAYER TO ATHENA

*Pallas, you only-begotten One, born of mighty Zeus, awesome you are, and divine:
Goddess so blessed, lifting high the turmoil of the fray,
Mighty One unspeakable yet so well spoken of!
Great-named One at home in a vault of stone,
Caught up in haughty hills and wandering the shaded mountain's ridge,
You who put a dance in the heart and glory in embattlements,
You can put the sting of mania into a mortal soul!
Athletic Maiden with a heart sublime,
Slayer of the Gorgon, fugitive of the bridal bed,
Mother of Art in all your abundance, catalyst of progress!
You bring folly to the corrupt and a sense of purpose to the pure!
Indeed, you are male and female in one,
Patron of war and wisdom,
You are fluid of form, a dragon,
Infused with inspiration of the Gods!
Rightly-honored One, who brought Phlegran giants down to defeat,
You driver of steeds, Tritogeneia, save us from evil, bearing Victory in your arms!
Day and night, eternally, in even the loneliest hours,
Hear my prayer, and grant us an abundant peace, fulfillment, good health.
Make prosperous the hour, gray-eyed One, inventor of Art,
The object of the people's ceaseless prayers-
My Queen!*

PRAYER TO DIONYSOS

*I call Dionysos, the loud-roarer! Who cries in revel!
Two-natured, thrice-born, king of pleasures,
Wild, inscrutable, cryptic, two-horned, two-shaped,
Bedecked in ivy, bull-faced, war-like, howling, holy,
Divine victim, feasted every other year, wearing grapes and leaves,
Counselor. Zefs and Kóri bore you...
on a secret bed, immortal Daimon!
Listen, Blessed One, to my voice! Fill me with blameless pleasure,
Be kind and grant my desire with the aid of your priestesses!*

PRAYER TO HESTIA

*Gracious Hestia, gentle-hearted one, soul of the home,
I call to you. In times of old, dear goddess,
all first offerings were yours, so great was your might,
so great your import, so great the need for your blessing.
Noble daughter of Kronos and broad-bosomed Rhea,
honored sister of thundering Zeus, eternal maid
who sits at the center, all honor I offer you.
I thank you for the solid walls I dwell within,
I thank you for the warm and welcoming hearth,
I thank you for the bread I break with friends and kin.
Hestia, constant tender of Olympos' bright flame,
friend of those who keep and kindle their own hearthfire,
I thank you for making my home a sanctuary
of comfort and peace, of security and strength.*

SUMMONING ATHENA

- Make a summoning ritual that feels right. Recite one of Athena's prayers (or make up your own).
- Once her spirit is with you, enact the Trial below.
- Turn the hour glass.
- Read the Trial below out loud.

THE TRIAL

We have summoned Athena.

Her spirit is here.

She watches and judges.

This is our task.

Let each of us recite why we wish to channel her power on earth.

Let each of us give our reasons why we are worthy

Then we must as a group decide: one of us will receive a great flood of her power.

One of us will receive a small stream. One of us will receive only a trickle. We must decide who will get what. We must decide whose cause is worthy of what.

We must be in total agreement. If not, she will not find any of us worthy. We must be done before the sand in the hourglass runs out.

SUMMONING DIONYSOS

- Decide who will do the summoning. She will be possessed by Dionysos
- Make a summoning ritual that feels right. Recite Dionysos' prayer (or make up your own).
- Let one of you be possessed by Dionysos.
- Turn the hourglass.
- Beg Dionysos for whatever favors you wish.
- Dionysos main wish is for you to join him as a priestess instead of Athena.
 - Dionysos can grant smaller favors for lesser sacrifices than you becoming his priestess.
 - He is generous but tricky.
 - He can do almost anything, if properly paid. Like giving back virginity bracelets.
 - Typical demands:
 - that you promise to be a spy for him with Athena;
 - that you will tempt at least one other novice into going with him;
 - that you bring in another novice and get her to lie with him or you.
 - Make whatever outrageous demands that Dionysos wish.